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The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey to Commemorate the Constitution

Events Run from Wednesday, September 17, 2008 through Tuesday, November 4, 2008 on the Galloway Twp. Campus

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GALLOWAY TWP., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will celebrate Constitution Day on September 17, 2008.

The United States Constitution was completed and signed by the Philadelphia Convention on September 17, 1787. Although the Constitution was signed more than 200 years ago, Constitution Day officially began in 1997 with the simultaneous recitation of the Preamble Across America. Four years ago, on December 8, 2004 President George W. Bush officially established September 17th as "United States Constitution Day" when he signed House Resolution 1848.

The events centered around Constitution Day are as follows:

Monday, September 17, 4:00pm – 5:00pm, Performing Arts Center, Constitution Day Keynote Address, Governor James J. Florio. Former NJ Governor James J. Florio will speak on voter access and campaign finance reform. He will also comment on the impact of the presidential election's outcome on the composition of the Supreme Court and on public policy issues.

Thursday, September 18, 4:30pm-6:00pm, Performing Arts Center, Freshman Convocation: Presidential Power and the Rule of Law with Charlie Savage. Pulitzer-prize winning journalist and author of *Takeover: The Return of the Imperial Presidency and the Subversion of American Democracy,* **Charlie Savage** will address executive power and the presidency of George W. Bush. His talk will be followed by a book-signing. Call the Box Office at (609) 652- 9000 for overflow seating in nearby classrooms that will carry the broadcast live.

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Thursday, October 2, 2:30pm – 4:30pm, Performing Arts Center, Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Civil