



## Stockton College Scholarship Benefit Gala a Night to Remember for Students, Community

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**Galloway Township, NJ** - Over 550 guests helped make the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Stockton College Scholarship Benefit Gala a hugely successful night to remember at the Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club on Saturday, April 26.

“You Make the Difference,” a fundraising campaign that continues through June 30, has raised over \$23 million for facilities, academic programs, scholarships and other operations. Of that total, \$10.1 million will be dedicated to scholarships, said Stockton President Herman Saatkamp.

“Scholarships for Stockton’s distinctive students are so important,” said President Saatkamp. “There are thousands of students at Stockton who are talented and impressive. They all count on us to DO MORE.”

“At the Gala in 2012, I announced that through the collective generosity of many we surpassed our \$20 million comprehensive campaign goal two years ahead of schedule,” President Saatkamp continued. “At that time, I also announced a ‘Let’s Do More!’ stretch goal to raise an additional \$2 million – or more – for scholarships by the completion of the comprehensive campaign in June 2014.

Gala proceeds from the past two years have helped the Stockton College Foundation raise nearly \$2.3 million for scholarships, exceeding President Saatkamp’s “Let’s Do More’ challenge.

“Thank you for helping us to reach that remarkable stretch goal!” President Saatkamp said.

President Saatkamp and his wife, Dorothy, known to all as “Dot,” were honored by the Stockton Board of Trustees with the establishment of the Herman and Dorothy Saatkamp Endowed Scholarship. The trustees have committed \$50,000 toward the scholarship, which will also

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receive net proceeds from the Gala, along with direct gifts and pledges.

In addition, \$500,000 to be generated by Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club and Stockton Affiliated Services, Inc. (SASI) over the next five years will be directed to the Saatkamp scholarship.

Curtis Bashaw, chair of the board of trustees, explained: "This evening we have the privilege of  
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