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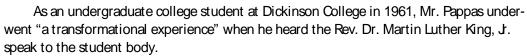
THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

Generous Donation Received From Dean and Zoe Pappas

Stockton Trustee
Dean Pappas and his
wife, Zoe, have donated
\$1 million to establish
the Dean C. and Zoe S.
Pappas Visiting Scholar
Endowment Fund and
\$150,000 to establish
the Interdisciplinary
Center for Hellenic Studies (ICHS) Endowment
Fund.

"Dean and Zoe
Pappas' generous gift is
certain to provide our
students with access to
some of the great contemporary voices in
education, culture and
civic engagement,"
President Saatkamp
said.

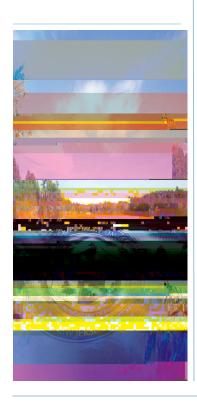




"Until that point I was sort of drifting my way through college, but Dr. King's message was very impressive. It made me start to think more seriously about my future. Basically, his message was to act responsibly. It was a moment that changed my life."

Mr. Pappas, a member of the Stockton Board of Trustees since 2006, wanted students at Stockton to have similar access to outstanding visiting scholars. The Pappas Visiting Scholar Fund will be used to bring noted scholars and thought leaders to the College for classes, workshops and public events. The ICHS Fund will help support faculty research, student educational opportunity, study abroad programs, among other initiatives, under the umbrella of the ICHS

Zoe Pappas, who works as a guide at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, said education has always been a priority in the family. "We are believers that education gives anyone a



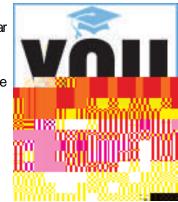
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chance to be successful," she said.

The visiting scholars program is envisioned to take placed on an annual basis. The scholar or thought leader may come to the campus for several days and participate in classes, hold lectures, workshops and symposiums and be available for interaction with students and the community. In some cases, the funding might be used for a single event such as a performance or lecture, and in certain instances an occasional year may be skipped to allow for increased funding the following year.

According to Dr. Saatkamp, a Pappas Visiting Scholars Program Committee will be initiated, consisting of at least five people, to help select each year's visiting scholar or scholar/artist. The committee will come from a cross-section of the College community. The Pappas gift provides a tremendous boost to the College's first-ever comprehensive fundraising campaign known as You Make the Difference: The Campaign for Stockton College.



"The campaign has a goal to raise \$20 million by the end of June 2014," said Dr. Philip Elmore, chief development officer & executive director of the Stockton College Foundation. "This gift helps us towards that goal and we are honored that Dean and Zoe have made Stockton a significant part of their philanthropy."

Professor Lisa Cox Guides Students, Seniors Through "Life"

"Students and older adults wrote two-page essays on nine universal themes, amidst laughter and tears of joy."

Associate Professor of Social Work Dr. Lisa Cox's "Aging and Spirituality" class hosted some very special guests this semester. Four classes were set aside for a Guided Autobiography project which allowed older adult volunteers to join the class. Each week, two themes were chosen, and the participants read autobiographical pieces to the group.

"The experience facilitating and participating in inter-generational Guided Autobiography Groups, as a component of my GERO/SOWK 3220 Aging and Spirituality class, was truly inspiring, and magical," said Dr. Cox.

Guided Autobiography (GAB) is an empirically based methodology developed by Gerontology pioneer Dr. James Birren, who is Emeritus Professor of Gerontology and Psychology at the University of Southern California, in Los Angeles. Guided by a trained instructor, participants are led through themes and primed with questions that evoke memories of events that may have been forgotten. Participants write a story on a particular theme each week and read it to classmates. Dr. Cox attended a GAB class with Dr. Birren during a sabbatical several years ago. During this time, she also received certification as a GAB instructor.



Associate Professor of Social Work Lisa Cox's "Aging and Spirituality" class hosted several senior volunteers for a Guided Autobiography project.

Each week, Dr. Cox's classroom

took on a "Fish Bowl" formation, where the inter-generational GAB group formed an inner circle of 8-10 participants, and the remainder of the students formed a larger outer circle where they observed and listened to the reading and telling of people's stories across the nine themes: Branching points, family history, role of money, history of one's life work, health and body, development of sexual identity, ideas about death, spiritual life and values, and changing goals and aspirations.

"To observe college students transform their views about both aging and spirituality, through listening to stories from each other and older adults from the community was a joyous teaching moment," Dr. Cox said.

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Artificial Reef Exploration Takes Stockton Under the Sea



A still-photo of an artificial reef taken from the ROV Shearwater. Click here for videos.

Professor of Biology Peter Straub and his team of researchers have been exploring the coastal Atlantic Ocean via a remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROV) purchased with a grant from the <u>National Science Foundation</u> to discover ecological links between artificial reef structures and fish production.

Straub is joined in his research by Tara Luke, associate professor of biology, Mark Sullivan, associate professor of marine science, William Phoel, adjunct instructor and Steve Evert, field station manager of the marine science and environmental field station.

Along with a team of undergraduates, the coastal reefs that are explored will give faculty and the research community valuable information, while providing students with immeasurable experience.

The reef project was funded by the New Jersey Sea Grant. Artificial reefs are important to local fisheries, but structure and

location may affect their productivity. Findings from this research will help researchers determine the most conducive structures and locations for fish production.

From left, Mark Sullivan, Tara Luke and Steve Evert during their ROV Training in San Diego, CA, 2010.

New Jersey has an active state artificial reef program and Stockton's coastal location makes the college an ideal partner to observe and monitor offshore sites.





Professor of Biology Peter Straub's research activity, course syllabi and other projects can be found here.

Through video observations the researchers are collecting data on fish species — their numbers, behavioral and structural preferences — as well as habitat and water quality details.

Much of the data was collected with a remotely operated underwater vehicle equipped with video, sonar and water quality instrumentation.



Students A.J. Mattola and Ben Gordon flanking Nate Robinson of the Stockton Marine Field Station deploying the ROV Shearwater from Stockton's R/V Gannet.

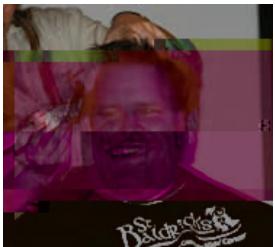
To watch videos on how the ROV Shearwater operates and how the faculty researchers collect data, dick here.

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St. Baldrick's Raises Nearly \$5,000 for Good Cause

Last Thursday, April 5, a crowd gathered at the Lodge at Lakeside to watch approximately 30 people have their heads shaved to benefit the St. Baldrick's Foundation, a charity dedicated to raising money for childhood cancer research. The event raised dose to \$5,000.

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Steven Radwanski, associate director for Residential Life, was one of the "shavees."

"This event is a lot of fun, but also very impactful," said Mangino, who also helped to organize the event. "All moneys raised goes toward grants to researchers who are focusing on finding cures to the cancers that impact children's lives."

Every year, thousands of people shave their heads in solidarity with those who have lost their hair to chemotherapy and radiation treatments. To raise money for childhood cancer research, volunteer "shavees" are pledged money from friends, family and co-workers and have their heads shaved by a

certified barber on stage at the event.

The Smithville
BarberShoppe served
as the official barbers
for the event, and
members of the surrounding community
came out to show

their support, as well. The student staff from Housing 4 and 5 helped to organize and facilitate the event.

NBC40 was there and you can find the video link here: http://www.nbc40.net/news/21775/video.

To learn more about the St. Baldrick's Foundation, visit http://www.stbaldricks.org/.



Housing Complex Director Scott Mangino, left, with Associate Director for Residential Life Steven Radwanski after the shave.



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