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Spectacular Items for Bid at Silent and Live Auction for Stockton College Scholarship Benefit Gala

Proceeds to Benefit Student Scholarships

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Galloway Township, NJ – Guests attending the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's Scholarship Benefit Gala will have the opportunity to bid on a wide array of spectacular items in the event's silent and live auctions.

The Benefit, to take place on Saturday April 21, 2007 at the Trump Taj Mahal Resort in Atlantic City, will include a full-course dinner, desserts, and a performance by pop/rock legend Neil Sedaka. The evening kicks off with cocktails and the silent auction at 6:30 p.m. Guests are invited to place their bids early, and then enjoy the dining and entertainment.

Among the most sought-after items for bid will be fine jewelry items including a dazzling Serago Roberts 2-carat diamond necklace set in 18-karat white gold, Tiffany's Paloma Picasso Pearls, and sapphire and pavé diamond earrings from Bernie Robbins Jewelers.

A luxurious suite for two nights at the Venetian Resort Hotel Casino in Las Vegas including *Phantom of the Opera* tickets, airfare and limousine service will be up for bid as well as dinner prepared at your home by the Executive Chef of Steve and Cookie's Restaurant. You may bid on a full course dinner with matching wines from the renowned Rams Head Inn, or dinner at The Palm where your caricature will be placed on the Atlantic City Restaurant's "Wall of Fame" along with pictures of the area's top personalities.

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Sports fans can take their chances on Phillies tickets behind the dugout plus preferred parking compliments of Commerce Bank or two prime seats at the finals of the Atlantic 10 Men's Basketball Tournament at Boardwalk Hall. Boaters will want to bid on the Atlantic-City-to-Cape-May luxury yacht trip donated by Gala Chairpersons Kay and Mac Seelig.

Golfers will have their choice of either a 150 square foot putting green or 150 square feet of synthetic lawn provided by Southwest Greens. They may also bid on rounds at the Seaview Marriott, Greate Bay, Twisted Dune, Harbor Pines, Blue Heron Pines, Galloway National, the Links at Brigantine Beach and Mays Landing.

A favorite each year – a Margate Bridge Pass - will once again be up for bid, as well as advertising space in the *Press of Atlantic City*, and numerous autographed collectibles including a Planet Hollywood jacket signed by Sylvester Stallone and Bruce Willis. From the newly opened Baccarat at the Pier at Caesars, an elegant set of handmade French crystal stemware plus a bottle of Château Lafite-Rothschild, and from Nathan Levin Furs, a fox vest.

There are also cruises, gift certificates, a Cadillac mountain bike from DeSimone Cadillac, LASIK eye surgery by Dr. Howard Gross, and much more.

"We are grateful for the overwhelming community support that has made this event one of the most anticipated of the year," President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. said. "Funds raised through the Stockton Scholarship Benefit Gala enable the College to attract the brightest and most deserving students. Over the years these scholarships have helped thousands of our students reach their goals."

Proceeds support the College Foundation's scholarship program. Scholarships are awarded to academically talented students who also exhibit leadership and service to the community. Tickets are \$200 per person. To reserve tickets and obtain auction updates, contact the Stockton College Office of Development and Alumni Affairs at (609) 652-4658 or visit www.stockton.edu/springbenefit.

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey is a distinctive and highly selective college, ranked consistently among the top public liberal arts colleges in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report*. Set on 1,600 acres in the heart of the New Jersey pinelands, the College enrolls more than 7,000 students in a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate programs. Graduates from the College become leaders in many professions and over 35% of our graduates pursue advanced degrees.

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