

"The doors we open and close each day decide the lives we live." — Flora Whittemore

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# Harper College Student Shares Dream for Educational Success



Prior to opening night of the Harper College Theatre performance of *Evita*, the Educational Foundation hosted a reception for special guests.

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Victoria Claus, a Harper College student and recipient of the Carol A. Zack Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship, shared the importance of scholarships and the need for financial support.

Following is Victoria's speech:

Hello, my name is Victoria Claus. I am a student, a mother, an aspiring artist and a scholarship recipient. Here at Harper College I have been given the opportunity to learn from some truly brilliant minds. I have been very fortunate to have access to one of the best art studios in the state.

Through Harper College, I have received countless opportunities to network with people in my field. I have been challenged and taught, inspired and encouraged. None of this would have been possible for me if not for the scholarship programs.

Here at Harper we have a wide range of students—young and old, of different ethnicities and backgrounds. Some have come to Harper right out of high school to get a degree or begin a college career. Others come to Harper to fine tune their skills after attending other colleges. Some of us have come back to college after careers and families to learn new skills or pursue a different life path. Almost all of us are here at Harper to find out what it is that we want to do in life, what excites us, what makes us tick.

We need your support now more than ever. Economic times are hard and we all know it. Like many of the students here at Harper, it is not easy for me to assemble the funds to attend school. Most of us are paying for college ourselves. I am a working parent with many responsibilities. Many of the students here balance work, family and college courses on a daily basis. We are working hard to achieve our goals, and Harper is our vehicle for doing so.

My goal is to finish an associate degree in the arts, move on to a bachelor's in the studio arts and then pursue a master's degree. My dream is to become a college professor. I hope to someday teach at a school much like Harper, where students come first and the community in which they thrive is based upon giving them the tools and guidance that they need to succeed. I want

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### Local Corporations Commit to Harper Student Success

Northrop Grumman and Schneider Electric/Square D have been awarding and supporting Harper students majoring in engineering for more than 31 years. Both corporations sponsor scholarships that provide support to qualified engineering students for two years at Harper and one year at a transfer school. Since 1995, 42 students have received support from these scholarships.

This year's recipients were greeted with an extra surprise, as company representatives offered ongoing support and mentoring:

**Bob Fiorani**, retired vice president of communication for Schneider Electric, expressed his intent to mentor Traci Grosse and Eduardo Aquije and provide assistance and guidance for their chosen career paths.

**Mark Cleary**, director of business management for Northrop Grumman Corporation, followed Fiorani's initiative by expressing the opportunity to offer a summer internship at Northrop Grumman to Brian Theis, as an integrated component of his engineering career path.

The recipients of this year's scholarships are:

#### Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowed Scholarship

Brian Theis, first-year student Nathan Rapp, second-year student

#### Square D Engineering Endowed Scholarship

Traci Grosse, first-year student Eduardo Aquije, second-year student

#### Scholarship Fulfills Student Dreams

During the Educational Foundation Board meeting Brian Theis shared his personal story about the meaning and importance of the Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowed Scholarship:

"I am fortunate to receive this support. Without it I would not be able to go to school. With the down turn in the economy my family was impacted. My father lost his job and I was faced with the reality that I could not afford to go to school. We did have money saved for my college fund, but since I was the first of four to hopefully be sent to college and we didn't know how long my dad would be out of work, we took no penny for granted. My dad eventually got a third-shift job 25 miles away from home. The paycheck he received from this job was significantly less than his previous job, which he had for more than 30 years. You could really feel a different atmosphere in our family. I applied for scholarships to see if I was able to receive any aid to pay for college. When we got the letter in the mail regarding the Northrop Grumman scholarship, I don't think words could have described how fortunate and thankful we were.

The Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowed Scholarship has allowed me to follow my dreams of one day becoming an engineer. My desire is to finish my two years at Harper then transfer to a four year college for engineering."

Brian then shared his belief in life and the opportunities he has received:

"God only puts us through as much as we can handle. So the people who struggle the most, have been chosen by God to be the strongest." ~ Unknown



Dr. Ken Ender, Brian Theis, Mark Cleary and Lane Moyer



Bob Fiorani, Eduardo Aquije, Traci Grosse Lane Moyer and Dr. Ken Ender

### In Memoriam Jeffrey D. Butterfield Harper College Educational Foundation

Past President

The Harper College Educational Foundation recently lost a community leader, supporter and friend. Former Harper College Educational Foundation President Jeffrey D. Butterfield passed away on February 8, 2011.



Jeff joined the Harper College Educational Foundation Board

in 2000, and remained active until his passing. During his tenure, he held numerous leadership positions including Major Gifts Chairperson 2003; Committee on Directors Chair 2003-2006; Vice President of Membership 2003-2006; and Foundation Board President 2007-2010. In 2009 Jeff was recognized as Emeritus Board Member.

In addition, Jeff was the 2006 recipient of the James J. McGrath Award. This award is given as a tribute to individuals who have unselfishly given time, effort and funds to uphold the excellence of the institution (Harper College). The recipient of this award is a member of the community who demonstrates through positive actions the importance of community service.

Under Jeff's leadership in 2009 the Foundation Board successfully completed the 'Project Tomorrow' campaign, which raised more than \$8.3 million for student scholarships, programs, instructional technology and more.

"The Harper College Educational Foundation was fortunate to have such a wonderful advocate, supporter and friend. We have been blessed to have Jeff's leadership, commitment and selfless dedication benefiting Harper students. Jeff strongly believed in the benefits of community colleges and worked hard to make educational opportunities affordable. We will miss Jeff's positive approach and sense of humor."

Lane Moyer, Harper College Educational Foundation Board President

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to graduate from college not only for my sake, but also for the sake of my daughter. The next generation has a hard path in front of them. My desire is to set an example to them, to show that even when things do not come easily, their dreams are still attainable.

This goal, these dreams, these hopes would not have even occurred if you, our donors, had not provided the assistance to make them possible. You, our donors, are a vital part in helping us achieve our dreams. You, our donors, are an important part of our story. Without your support, I would not be here today. I know that I speak for many of us, when I say thank you, thank you, thank you. I am so very grateful for your generosity. I am so very thankful for the opportunities that you have afforded me. I will leave Harper College with a better understanding of the world around me, with an inspired outlook on the arts and with so many tools that I need to succeed in the outside world. Thank you for your support and thank you for making Harper College a place where people from many walks of life can learn and thrive. Please continue your support and accept my sincerest gratitude. Thank you.

### Facts About Harper College

#### **Did You Know?**

- Enrollment Growth: increase of 39 percent since 2000
- **Faculty:** 200 full time, approximately 653 part time
- Non-faculty: 606 full and/or part time
- Enrollment: credit: 26,441 students
- continuing education, non-credit: 7,554 students
- Tuition: full-time, in-district student, per year: \$3,555
- **District Population:** 510,100 (2008 estimate)
- Registered Voters: 277,938 (as of December 2006)
- Programs Offered: 111 certificate programs, 41 associate of applied science degree programs and eight associate/transfer degree programs
- Campus Size: 200 acres, 24 buildings
- Harper College Founding Date: District established by referendum March 27, 1965
- Opening Date: September 1967
- Communities Served: Arlington Heights, Barrington, Barrington Hills, Elk Grove Village, Hoffmann Estates, Inverness, Lake Barrington, Mount Prospect, North Barrington, Palatine, Prospect Heights, Rolling Meadows, Schaumburg, South Barrington, Tower Lakes, Wheeling and portions of Buffalo Grove, Carpentersville, Deer Park, Des Plaines, Fox River Grove, Hanover Park and Roselle.

### High 'Steaks' Bet Pays Off for Harper Students

Harper College President Dr. Kenneth Ender served up steaks and ate some crow at a local restaurant recently —the result of a highstakes bet that guaranteed a new scholarship for students in the Harper College Hospitality Management program.

Dr. Ender worked the dinner shift as a professional waiter at Chicago Prime Steakhouse in Schaumburg on April 15, with his gratuities, and a host of additional donations, going toward the new scholarship fund.

"I can't say the service was flawless, but I can say I worked hard on behalf of our students, and I'm thrilled with the results," said Dr. Ender, who shadowed several of Chicago Prime's top servers during the night. "We served a lot of Harper College friends, who gave generously to help us get a great new scholarship off the ground."

His fundraising, waiting-tables stint raised nearly \$5,700 for the new Chicago Prime Steakhouse Culinary and Hospitality Scholarship. Chicago Prime owner Andy-John Kalkounos donated an additional \$3,000.

Dr. Ender, who received his bachelor's degree and Ph.D. from Virginia Commonwealth University, made the deal with Chicago Prime owner Andy-John Kalkounos, a Harper and Butler University alumnus, after the two realized their alma maters would meet in the Final Four of the NCAA Division I basketball tournament.

A scholarship was promised either way, but Butler's victory meant Dr. Ender had to work for it, donning a crisp white Chicago Prime waiter's jacket, taking drink orders and serving diners to encourage donations.

"This was a fantastic bet: Harper students were going to be winners either way," Dr. Ender said. "My VCU Rams might have lost, but it was a victory for my Harper Hawks, and that's what's important."

Dr. Ender served up steak, appetizers and a variety of sides to approximately 100 Harper supporters over his six-hour shift. The diners—and the servers—gave his overall enthusiastic service a collective thumbs up.

"I knew Dr. Ender would do a great job, and I knew people would show up to see him do it," Kalkounos said. "It was a fun opportunity—you had the president wait on you, and you helped students at the same time. He's not afraid to get his hands dirty for the sake of the students, and I'm glad I was a part of making this happen."

Kalkounos earned his bachelor's degree at Butler before completing his real estate broker's license at Harper, where he has acted in Harper Theatre Ensemble productions and now serves on the



President Ender takes on new role for a day.

Educational Foundation's Directors Circle Committee, raising money for scholarships and educational programs. He became managing partner at the independently owned Chicago Prime in 2000, and was named a Harper Distinguished Alumnus in 2010. Those roles, he said, made a Culinary and Hospitality scholarship the perfect payoff for the bet.

The Final Four game at the heart of his friendly wager with Dr. Ender was an unexpectedly rare matchup between two teams—No. 8 seed Butler and No. 11 seed VCU—that were never predicted to make it so far. That Cinderella side story, Dr. Ender said, offered a universal lesson on the value of determination and persistence.

"In the end, it's about believing in yourself and your potential," Dr. Ender said. "That's what our Harper College faculty and instructors teach students every day, and that's why I was happy to make this bet with Andy-John. We're always committed to student success, and this was a fun way to continue to work toward that goal."

Donations to the Chicago Prime Steakhouse Culinary and Hospitality Scholarship can be made through the Harper College Educational Foundation. Call 847.925.6490 or visit harpercollege.edu/giving.

### 2010 Tax Laws: Effects on Charitable Giving

Since its creation, the federal tax code has provided incentives to promote charitable giving by citizens and corporations. This favorable treatment has been valuable to non-profit organizations and foundations with a charitable purpose. In 1797, wealth transfer taxes were also incorporated into the tax code and have been modified repeatedly over the last three decades, providing further incentive for charitable consideration through wills and estate plans. Several tax law changes at the end of 2010, modified the system once again.

While tax benefits may not be your primary motivation for supporting charitable causes, proper planning with your professional advisors can significantly impact the benefit you provide to your heirs and the charitable organizations you wish to support. This is an excellent time to consult your advisors about the need to make adjustments to your lifetime and estate gifting plans.

Following is a list of changes to discuss with your advisors:

#### • IRA Rollover Gifts

The IRA gift provision has been extended to the end of 2011 for those over 70 ½ to make tax-favored gifts to charity directly from a traditional or Roth IRA.

#### • **Traditional Gifts Fully Deductible** Whether outright or to fund charitable trusts, gift annuities or other planned gifts, the reduction rule that would require higher income taxpayers to reduce their itemized deductions (scheduled to be reinstated in 2011) has been delayed until January 1, 2013.

#### • Estate Tax Changes

The federal exemption amount that a person can leave to non-charitable heirs was increased to \$5 million per person (or \$10 million for a married couple). However, note that the State of Illinois has reinstituted its own estate tax with

an exception of only \$2 million. If you live in, or own property in, the State of Illinois and have an estate estimated to be close to or more than \$2 million, this is an item to be reviewed by your advisors.

- Annual Gift Tax Exclusion The amount that can be given as a gift by a taxpayer in any one year to any number of people free from any federal gift tax consequences is \$13,000 for 2011.
- Reunification of Gift and Estate Tax Since 2002, the federal gift and estate tax changes have been 'decoupled.' This meant that the \$1 million exemption for amounts one could gift to heirs during lifetime has been significantly less than the amount that could be left at death (up to \$3.5 million in 2009). Under the new law, the two systems are brought back into alignment and it is possible to give up to \$5 million during lifetime or at death. (Note that the annual gift tax applies to gifts given to an individual in excess of \$13,000 in a single year.) ■

### Former Students Give Back to Harper

Former Harper College graduates Jake and Jordan Sadoff recognize the struggles that today's students are having funding their college education.

The Sadoff brothers took two different educational paths—one worked and funded his way through college; the other enlisted in the National Guard. Both were successful in their academic pursuits.

Today twin brothers Jordan and Jake Sadoff are successful business owners. In the 1990s the Sadoff's opened JS Enterprises, which specialized in the trading of collectible toys. They worked diligently to build the business from the ground up. However, in 2008, as the collectible toy industry faded with the economy, they converted their business into Schaumburg-based Midwest Gold Buyers. Currently, with more than 40 stores, they are the largest gold buyers in the Chicago area.

However, the Sadoff's success does not stop with their business achievements. This year they choose to make a difference in the lives of Harper students by establishing the **Jacob and Jordan Sadoff Scholarship** to support Harper College Speech Team participants. The first award will be made in fall 2011.

These former Harper College graduates continually define their commitment to education through their thoughtful generosity.



Jacob and Jordan Sadoff



# Executive Director's Report

During this past quarter, the Foundation has been working hard to create a strategic plan that dovetails with the College's student success agenda by developing resources to assist the College in meeting its completion agenda: 10,604 more graduates than we would normally generate by the year 2020.

As we worked on the strategic plan through a facilitated retreat and several brown bag lunch sessions, our board and staff found that our most pressing role will be to: 1) raise more money for student scholarships; 2) grow our endowment to a level that can provide sustainable support for future Harper students and vital programs that may no longer be supported by public funds and; 3) continue to strive to be a best-practicing Foundation with impeccable standards for transparency and accountability to our College and to our donors.

Each year, I hear many stories from students about their needs and struggles to achieve balance in school, work and life. You may read these stories on page 1 and page 2. Every one of these stories compel us to work hard to make certain we are creating and developing appropriate resources to assist the diverse needs of our students, from the single parent, to a returning adult looking for new job skills, to a high school graduate first trying to find a life direction.

We appreciate all the opportunities that your gifts have provided our students. Once again, on behalf of our Foundation board, thank you. Your past and future giving does—and will—make a difference to our students, College and community.

Warm regards,

Cathering M. Brod

Catherine M. Brod Chief Advancement Officer, Harper College Executive Director, Harper College Educational Foundation

## **Summary of Resource for Excellent Grant Awardees**

The Resource for Excellence Campaign is one of the sources of support for Harper student scholarships. It also provides the funds for the Resource for Excellence grant program.

The grantees below represent two of the six projects/programs awarded for 2011-2012:

**Book Bag Literacy Project** under the direction of Kathy Dowd, Irena Bakalus and Tara Mathien **One Book One Campus** under the direction of Njambi Kamoche and Michele Ukleja

**The Book Bag Literacy Project** is a collaboration between the Northeast Center Reading Room, the Future Educators Club, Child Learning Center staff and Academic Enrichment and Language Studies faculty.

As a way of promoting stronger literacy skills in the English as a Second Language (ESL) community that Harper serves, students of the Future Educators Club will create activity packs for books that will be circulated to ESL families that utilize the Child Learning Center and the Northeast Center Reading Room. A book bag pack will consist of one Pre-K book in English and one book in the family's first language—Polish, French, Spanish, or Gujarati. CD recordings of the books in English, and in the respective language, will also be available for circulation.

An additional aspect of this project will involve book packets for children in grades 3-8. The packets will consist of one book, one professionally read CD in English, a professionally developed discussion guide and developmentally appropriate activities. Further, parents of students in grades 3-8 will have the opportunity to borrow Kindle Audio Books to promote self-guided reading activities to further develop English language skills.

**The One Book One Campus** initiative is a collaborative effort to encourage students, faculty and staff to read one book and participate in a variety of academic, cultural and social activities related to the book during the 2011-2012 academic year.

A planning committee representing various departments of the College will review potential titles and make a selection for the campus to read. The books will enable the exploration of diverse perspectives and have multi-disciplinary themes and relevance.

The goals of this new initiative are to encourage reading, strengthen connections in the Harper community and increase student use of the campus library and other academic resources.

# 2011-2012 Seminar Series Continues Legacy of Excellence

Scheduling is in process for the third annual Harper Heritage Seminar Series offered by the Harper College Educational Foundation. Orchestrated and delivered by community professional advisors affiliated with the Foundation, topics for the free sessions have encompassed everything from financial and estate planning to key tips for buying and selling real estate.

Open to the public, more than 700 community members have attended past seminars to gain insight about the relevance of these topics as they relate to current market conditions.

#### New Topics 2011-2012 Series

- Social Networking 101: Communicating Through the Cloud
- Unlocking the Mystery of Insurance
- Buying Real Estate and Securing a Mortgage in Today's Market
- Health Care Legislation's Impact on Group and Private Plans
- Everything Hurts/Nothing Works: Common Medical Issues Into Maturity

## Back by Popular Demand 2011-2012 Series

- Paying for College: For Your Children and Grandchildren
- The Four Legal Documents Everyone Should Have
- Market Update and Outlook

For more information about the sessions or to register:

Web: harpercollege.edu/foundation Click on "Free Seminar Series"

Phone: 847.925.6490

### Upcoming Events and Attractions May–June

Harper College Commencement Ceremonies

Sunday, May 22 2 p.m.

Harper College will celebrate formal Commencement exercises at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 22, 2011, on the main campus located at 1200 West Algonquin Road, Palatine. You are invited to participate. The ceremony will include fall 2010 graduates and candidates for spring 2011 and summer 2011 graduation. Guests will be seated beginning at 1 p.m. The formal ceremony lasts approximately two hours.

#### **Enchanted April**

By Matthew Barber from the novel by Elizabeth von Arnim Directed by Kevin Long

July 19-21 and 26-28 8 p.m. Drama Lab (Building L, Room L109)

This 2003 Tony Award nominee for Best Play is a heartwarming, romantic comedy about love, friendship and the rediscovery of life's enchantments.

When two frustrated London housewives decide to rent a villa in Italy for a holiday away from their bleak marriages, they recruit two other, very different, English women to share the cost and the experience. There, among the wisteria blossoms and Mediterranean sunshine, all four bloom again—rediscovering themselves in ways that they—and we could never have expected.

\$12, Harper students, faculty/staff, seniors, children 12 and under\$15, General admission

## **SPOTLIGHT ON** The Harper Educational Foundation Board Members



#### **Georgeanna Mehr**

Georgeanna Mehr is the president of Hoffman Estates Community Bank, a branch of Barrington Bank and Trust Company, N.A. and the retail manager for the five Barrington Bank locations. Since September 2001, she has developed the two Hoffman Estates locations as leading community banks.

Mehr started her banking career in 1970 with Cragin Federal Savings in the retail department and later as a training consultant for IRAs and Keogh plans. In the mid '70s she joined Telegraph Savings, a seven-branch savings and loan working as a supervisor, training coordinator and training department manager. During this time she also served as an instructor at the Institute of Financial Education. In 1982 after moving from Chicago to Wauconda, Mehr joined First Federal Savings of Barrington, where she worked until 1999 as the branch manager.

Mehr holds an associate degree from College of Lake County and a bachelor of science degree in finance from Elmhurst College. She began her Certified Financial Planner certification at Harper College.

Mehr has been involved in the Barrington Area United Way since 1993; Governing Council member and Quality Council member of Good Shepherd Hospital since 2001; co-chair of the Friends of HE Parks (Hoffman Estates Park District Foundation); current president of the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce, serving as chair of the Government Relations Committee and member of the Hoffman Estates Economic Development Commission since 2004.

Mehr lives in Barrington with her husband, Gregg, and their two snoodles, Gracie and Grover. In their free time they enjoy spending time with their grown children— Rob married to Erin; Josh a lance corporal in the Marines; Jessica and Jason and their two grandsons Nathan and Owen.

Hobbies include swimming, fishing and cooking and baking. The Mehrs are certified scuba divers.



#### Nina J. Stephenson

Nina J. Stephenson has been a practicing Texas attorney since 1996. Her current practice is limited to established clients, while she focuses on philanthropic, civic and political endeavors. Prior to moving to Illinois, Stephenson was an equity partner in the firm of McDonough & Gwin in Houston, TX, concentrating in business litigation, economic violations and regulatory compliance.

Stephenson currently serves on the Leadership Committee for Women In Need Growing Stronger (WINGS) and as the co-chair of WOW (Women of WINGS). She is on the board of directors of Barrington Junior Women's Club and chairs their Membership Education and Hospitality/ Meeting Planning committees. She is the president of Barrington Newcomers and Neighbors, which is comprised of new and established residents of CUSD 220 and zip code 60010. She is a past board member of Friends of the Home of the Sparrow and Prevent Child Abuse-Illinois.

Stephenson is a member of the McHenry County Republican Chairman's Circle. In 2008, she was selected to represent Illinois on the Credentials Committee and was elected by the citizens of the 16th Congressional District, composed of McHenry, Boone, Jo Davies, Stephenson, Winnebago, Carol, DeKalb, Ogle and Whiteside counties to represent them at the 2008 Republican National Convention.

She is an active supporter of the United States military and has sponsored more than 30 soldiers since 2002 through Adoptaplatoon. Adoptaplatoon was formed, and is operated by, mothers of soldiers deployed in Afghanistan and Iraq. Stephenson was awarded an Honorary Proud Parent Award by the Secretary of the Army.

She received her J.D. cum laude from the University of Mississippi, where she was a member of the Moot Court Board Editorial Staff and president of Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity.

Stephenson and husband, Robert, reside in Barrington Hills with their dogs. Their daughter, Morgan, a sophomore, studies at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana.



#### **Gregory Werner**

Gregory Werner is a vice president and general manager for Mortenson Construction, a national construction firm with annual revenues of \$3 billion dollars. He is responsible for the overall strategy development and direction of Mortenson's Chicago office, including relationship management, preconstruction, construction and business development activities, as well as P&L responsibilities.

Since he joined Mortenson in 1990 as a field engineer, Werner's career has included

assignments in Milwaukee, San Francisco and Chicago. His 21 years of construction experience include a broad range of projects across the municipal, corporate, health care, laboratory and higher education markets.

His personnel involvement in more than \$2 billion dollars of construction work throughout his career has gained him respect within the Midwest construction management, architectural and development communities. As a recognized expert in health care construction, he has authored several articles on the subject in such publications as Chicago Hospital News.

Notable projects that benefited from Werner's leadership include Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago in Chicago; Silver Cross Replacement Hospital in New Lenox, IL; Saint Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates; College of DuPage Student Center and BIC Renovations in Glen Ellyn; Valparaiso University Harre Union in Valparaiso, IN; Lake County Central Permit Facility in Libertyville; Kane County Adult Justice Center in St. Charles; and Allstate Insurance Company Mission Critical Facilities in Rochelle, IL, San Antonio, TX, and Chubbuck, ID.

Werner is a member of the Young President's Organization (YPO) and University Club of Chicago.

A native of Wisconsin, he holds a bachelor's degree in construction administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is an enthusiastic Green Bay Packers fan.

Outside of work, he enjoys spending time with his family and is an avid athlete, having competed in many triathlons and cycling events. Werner, his wife Sara, and their three children Jacob, Hannah and Elizabeth reside in Barrington.

### The 2011 Golf Open

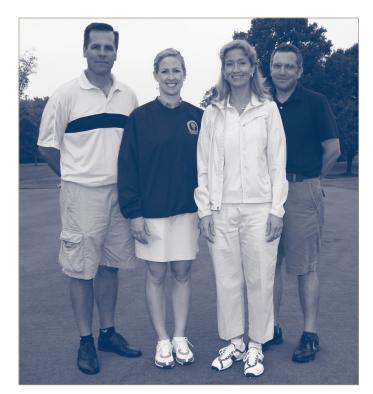
The Harper College Educational Foundation will host its annual Golf Open on Monday, June 13, 2011, at the Inverness Golf Course, 102 North Roselle Road in Palatine.

Inverness Golf Course has challenged golfers for decades with its rolling terrain and slippery greens while maintaining a classic feel.

The 23rd Harper College Educational Foundation Annual Golf Open will include the traditional 18 holes of golf, lunch, cocktail reception, awards banquet and buffet dinner. The outing also features special raffles, specialty holes and auction items. Proceeds from the event benefit student scholarships and programming.

To register or find out more information about the 23rd Annual Golf Open, contact the Foundation at 847.925.6490 or visit harpercollege.edu/foundation

Event Sponsors: Harris Bank Schneider Electric



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### **Art***Matters*

On February 26, 2011, the Educational Foundation and the Harper College Art Department presented a memorable celebration of the arts. With more than 60 fine art pieces, the 200 plus guests wandered through the displays bidding on silent auction items. The highlight of the evening included the live auction, with items from well-known artists such as Fletcher Benton, Robert Stackhouse, Ben Dallas, Michael Brown, Jason Peot and Perry Pollock.

Proceeds from the event support the maintenance of the Harper College Educational Foundation Art Collection and student scholarships.

Thank you to everyone who supported and attended this event. Thank you for recognizing that art does matter.

> "Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist when he grows up."

Pablo Picasso

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Martha Bell raises her paddle in support of the arts.



Board of Trustee Chair Diane Hill



Live auction works of art displayed.

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