

Transforming Growth Goals to Strengthen College Support

MT. SAC FOUNDATION



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In FY05-06, the Mt. SAC Foundation organized 60th anniversary events (see page 6) that recognized those who have been part of the College's rich history, and we raised funds to support the College Endowment and the Scholarship Fund.

At year's end, our fund-raising campaign was well on the way to achieving those goals. Early on, the Foundation added \$90,000 to the College Endowment through partnerships and targeted fundraising. We also helped raise a record \$120,000 in scholarships—a 25% increase over the previous year. Special events and other initiatives generated another \$340,000 to bring total Foundation fundraising for the year to \$550,000. Total organizational assets for the Foundation totaled \$1,096,796.

Key to the Foundation's future strategy and success is creating opportunities to build partnerships and funding support for the College. These partnerships offer the community the opportunity to interact with students and experience firsthand the energy and commitment created by everyone associated with the College. It is through the collaborative efforts of Mt. SAC President Dr. **Christopher C. O'Hearn**, the Foundation staff, and the Foundation Board that these partnerships have been formed.

During FY05-06, the Foundation welcomed six new board members to its highly dedicated group of community volunteers, who serve as ambassadors for the College. The Board seeks to grow funding support and to build networking, internship, mentoring, and scholarship opportunities, as well as other community resources. These generous individuals, corporations, and foundations support the President's Circle (leadership giving), the Mt. SAC Alumni Association, Parents and Friends of Mt. SAC, Planned Giving, and other programs—all of which benefit the College's 40,000 students.

Over the course of the past year, President O'Hearn and the Foundation have also made a concerted effort to broaden the scope of the Mt. SAC Alumni Association. As a result, the Association welcomed **Mario Marin**, who was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus during the 60th Commencement. As Alumni Advisory Council chair, he will help grow membership, programs, and initiatives. A major "Where Are You Mountie?" recruitment campaign will be launched in early 2007.

For more information about the Mt. SAC Foundation, visit its new website at www.mtsacfoundation.org. For the Alumni Association, log on to <http://alumni.mtsac.edu>.

RECENT & UPCOMING EVENTS

Sizzling Sounds

In its ninth season, the **Hot Blues Cool Jazz** signature event moved to its new location at "The Meadows" on the Mt. SAC campus. The popular annual event once again raised nearly \$60,000 as guests welcomed the popular Lori Andrews JazHarp Quartet and the incomparable Bill Magee Blues Band. Proceeds support scholarships and other student programs. Next year's event will return to "The Meadows" on August 11, 2007.



Tee-mendous Classic

Funds raised from the **19th Annual Golf Classic**, held at the beautiful South Hills Country Club, supported the College's championship athletic teams and student scholarships. Despite a rainy day, friends and die-hard golfers came out to raise \$50,000. Next year, the event will move to the Industry Hills Golf Club on June 1, 2007.



Mountie Carlo Night

The Alumni Association hosted the second annual **Mountie Carlo Night** at the Shilo Hilltop Suites Hotel in Pomona, where alumni and friends of Mt. SAC enjoyed a night of casino-style games, dinner and dancing. Over \$30,000 was raised for scholarships and alumni programs. The next Mountie Carlo Night will be hosted at the Diamond Bar Center on February 9, 2007.

