Richard Stockton Faculty and Staff Share their Talents to Raise Funds for Paul Lyons Memorial Lecture Series

Talent Show Set for March 2

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Galloway Township, NJ- Faculty and staff at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will put on a fundraising talent show on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. The show will take place in the Alton Auditorium, located on the College's main Galloway Township campus. All proceeds will go to the Paul Lyons Memorial Lecture Series.

Paul Lyons, who sadly passed away one year ago, was a professor of Social Work in the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Stockton College. He joined the faculty in 1980 and embraced the atmosphere of learning with unmatchable passion. Robert Gregg, Dean of Arts and Humanities, said, "What struck one about Paul was the range of his accomplishments and the breadth of his interests. He was the quintessential Stockton faculty member, one who embraced the ideas of interdisciplinary study and exploration."

In honor of Paul Lyons, the College has established a memorial lecture series, which will bring in leading regional, national, and international scholars in American Studies/History, the areas in which Paul undertook most of his interdisciplinary work. The inaugural lecture, scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2010, will feature Eric Foner, an American historian from Columbia University.

"Since Paul was so committed to the arts and music, we believe that he would have relished an event like this talent show," said Robert Gregg. Paul played the saxophone and clarinet in Stockton's Faculty Band, and his brainchild was Profapalooza, a fundraising concert that took place in 2009 at the House of Blues in Atlantic City.

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Professor of Music Beverly Vaughn and Director of the Small Business Development Center Joe Molineaux along with the Faculty Band will serve as MCs. Among the featured performers are: Debbi Dagavarian; Nancy Fiedler; Stephanie Sussmeier; Dennis Fotia; Jung Lee; MPH-Nick Mansor, David Pinto, and Peter Hagan; Sax Fiends- David Lechner, Mike McGarvey, Lance Olsen, and William Rosche; The Galloway Strassbey and Reel Conspiracy- Rodger Jackson, Russ Manson, and Jeanie Manson; The Cowboy Band- David Pinto, Peter Hagan, and Jim McCarthy; and Donald Moore.

Tickets purchased in advance cost \$3 for students and \$8 for general public. At the door, tickets will cost \$5 (students) and \$10 (general). Tickets are available now at the Stockton box office. For more information, contact the box office at 609-652-9000.

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