

## Stockton 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Benefit Gala Nets Over \$275,000 to Help Students

Event Held April 16 at Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club

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**Galloway, N.J.** - More than 500 guests helped Stockton University students tonight at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Stockton University Scholarship Benefit Gala by raising a net amount of over \$275,000 for the Stockton Foundation.

President Harvey Kesselman told donors: "Students are grateful for and continue to need your support. For some, a college education would not be possible without scholarships. This year \$110,000 will be awarded from just

Since 2000, the Stockton University Foundation has added more than \$3 million to the endowment in support of student scholarship. The Stockton University Foundation has grown tremendously in the last few years, adding more than \$3 million in assets and today has reached nearly \$30 million.

"We thank our many sponsors and donors who make the Gala a success. This is a celebration of their generosity," said Philip Ellmore, chief development officer and director of the University Foundation. "Many students will succeed at Stockton because of the money given for this event."

Several scholarship recipients told their stories at the event held at Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club in Galloway, N.J.

"I appreciate the financial help since I am getting my Master's and it is a cost

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Foundation scholarship helps to relieve the burden and I feel honored to have received it," said Katelynn Singiser of West Deptford, N.J., who is studying for her graduate degree in Occupational Therapy in the School of Health Sciences. Singiser is president of the Graduate Student Council.

Cherie Sloan, a sophomore Health Science major from Sicklerville, N.J., said receiving a Foundation scholarship "made Stockton a lot more approachable. Without it, I might have gone to a community college first." Sloan is also the John R. Elliott HERO Campaign for Designated Driver's 2016 HERO of the Year, recognized for her commitment to serving as a designated driver for family and friends.

Rick Dovey, chair of the Stockton Foundation, president of the Atlantic County Utilities Auth(r)17 0 (")-6( s)-2(O

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