

# Circle of Friends

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## February features Alumni 4th annual gala returns in April

The LLCC Alumni Association will host its second “SchmoozaPalooza” event Thursday, February 11 at the Trutter Center on LLCC’s main Springfield campus.

A 90 minute seminar will begin at 4:30 p.m. and is designed to help teach students business etiquette and the art of networking. After the seminar, students will participate in a one-hour networking reception with area professionals and put their newly acquired skills to work.

On Saturday, February 6, LLCC’s Athletic Department in cooperation with the Alumni Association will celebrate the induction of the 2010 class into the LLCC Sports Hall of Fame. The ceremony will take place at Cass Gymnasium at half-time of the LLCC men’s basketball game with Spoon River College. The game begins at 3 p.m. and the public is invited.

It has been several years since a Hall of Fame induction has been held and the members of this class include some of LLCC’s finest that have gone on to careers as professional athletes, coaches and successful business people.

For more information about either of these events, contact Joanie Caselton at (217) 786-4612 or via e-mail at [Joanie.Caselton@LLCC.edu](mailto:Joanie.Caselton@LLCC.edu).

LLCC’s Student Government Association will also host a

Homecoming Dance on Saturday, February 6 from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Trutter Center. This Mardi Gras themed event is free but tickets are required by calling LLCC Student Life at (217) 786-2241.

## LLCC Gala set for April 24

The LLCC Foundation’s fourth annual gala will be held Saturday, April 24. This Gala will continue in the same elegant tradition, yet feature a fun construction theme to highlight building projects at LLCC.

Last year’s event netted \$51,000 for student learning initiatives

at the college and \$50,000 for the General Endowment Fund, thanks to a generous matching gift.

Tickets for the event are \$100 per person and include a gourmet dinner prepared by LLCC’s Culinary students and instructors and sounds provided by LLCC’s talented music students.

For information about tickets or sponsorships, please contact Janet Semanik at (217) 786-2217 or via e-mail at [Janet.Semanik@LLCC.edu](mailto:Janet.Semanik@LLCC.edu).



*Gala guest Evelyn Thomas tries her key to the Treasure Box.*

## Second genealogy workshop set for March

The L. Philip and Mary Kathryn Trutter Museum in partnership with LLCC Community Learning will present a second genealogy workshop on Saturday, March 20.

“Preserving Your Photos” will explore archival, preservation, restoration and proper storage of photos. This workshop is designed for both new and seasoned genealogy enthusiasts with both lecture and hands-on activities planned.

The event costs \$10 per person or \$5 for LLCC students and staff as well as Alumni Association and LLCC’s Academy of Lifelong Learning (ALL) members.

Registration is required by calling (217) 786-2292. LLCC staff, students, registered alums and members of ALL should reference course code CEW 119-41. All others should reference course code CEW 119-40.

For more information, contact Christine Ramirez-Campbell at (217) 786-4510 or LLCC Community Learning at (217) 786-2894.



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## New Board members welcomed

The LLCC Foundation Board welcomed four new members at its annual meeting in December. Joining for three year terms are Charles Davis, Jane Denes and Lee Milner, all of Springfield. Joining the board from Jacksonville is Brad Ware.

Four outstanding board members were also bid farewell. Retiring from the board were Rob Cross, Randy Germeraad, Mary Rechner and Guerry Suggs. Officers for 2010 were also elected at the meeting. Nancy Bahre and Bob Cusick will serve as chair and vice-chair respectively. Mike Lansden will serve as treasurer.



*2010 Board Chair Nancy Bahre thanks outgoing board members Rob Cross, Mary Rechner and Guerry Suggs. Randy Germeraad was unable to attend. At right is 2009 Board Chair, Mike Fleming.*

## Scholarship recipients and donors connect

Tuesday, November 17, LLCC Foundation scholarship recipients hosted their donors at a reception in the Trutter Center. More than 200 recipients, donors and friends attended the event catered by LLCC Culinary students.

On Wednesday, March 31, the Foundation will hold a second donor reception recognizing donors to other Foundation programs. That event will be held at 5 p.m. in the Trutter Center. Invitations will be sent in mid-February.



*Longtime scholarship donors Les Eastep and Jack and Carolyn Reynolds visited at the November reception.*

## Construction update

Construction is well-underway on the new, 11,000 square foot Student Center on LLCC's main Springfield campus. This building will connect Sangamon and Menard Halls and provide a new front door to the campus, student gathering and activity spaces along with quiet study areas. Construction is expected to be complete in November, 2010.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held December 2 for the new Taylorville classroom building. This facility will feature more than 12,000 square feet and replace temporary classrooms currently in use at LLCC Taylorville.

Ground is expected to be broken for the Workforce Career Center at the main Springfield campus this spring.

## Circle of Friends revamped!

We hope you enjoy our new "Circle of Friends" newsletter style. This shorter version will now come to you five times a year with updates and current information about LLCC Foundation activities. If you would like to receive this via e-mail, please let us know at [LLCC.Foundation@LLCC.edu](mailto:LLCC.Foundation@LLCC.edu).