



**Join us for the
23rd Annual
HCC Foundation
Leadership Golf
Outing**

Monday ~ June 3rd

It's time to get your foursome together and start practicing your golf swing for the Leadership Golf Outing held at The Freeport Club. You won't want to miss great new prizes including a custom \$350 Aurelius Driver and a \$500 Zovatti watch. We also have a new and exciting hole-in-one challenge with a winning prize to The Fiesta Bowl to participate in the Hole-In-One Million Dollar Challenge Final Round!

Visit:

**www.bidpal.net/hccgolf
to register your foursome
and bid on exciting silent
auction items!**

EVENT SCHEDULE

10:30 a.m. Check-In
11 a.m. Bar-B-Q Lunch
12 p.m. Shotgun tee-off
6 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres,
Program, Prizes, Silent Auction



Legacy Gala

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

HCC Legacy Gala Celebrating Partnerships in Education

Highland Community College thrives on partnerships with organizations, corporations, and individuals throughout its district to develop mutually advantageous strategies to meet the educational and training needs of the community. The Highland Community College Legacy Gala will encompass the Highland Mission with students, programs, and partnerships at the forefront.

"I'm very enthusiastic about recognizing numerous success stories of our College. The Highland Legacy Gala will be a celebration of our history, the golden opportunities being cultivated, and the people who make it all possible," said Tim Hood, Highland Community College President.

At the Inaugural Gala, the HCC Foundation will recognize alumni, corporate partners, and community members who have demonstrated shared responsibility in transforming the lives of students through accessible, affordable, and rigorous learning experiences.

"The Highland Community College Legacy Gala will be a tremendous opportunity to highlight students and programs while engaging alums and the many donors and companies who have supported HCC throughout the years," said Jeff Reinke, Highland Community College Executive Director. "We will also be recognizing an individual who has had a lasting impact on Highland with the Legacy Award – it will be a special evening!"

The "Legacy Award," the most prestigious recognition the College can bestow, will be awarded to a community member who has shown a lifetime of commitment to education. The recipient will have displayed extraordinary support for the mission of Highland Community College through partnerships, community engagement, and the promotion of education as a pivotal component in our district.

The Gala committee, co-chaired by Teri Winter and Chris Urish, is hard at work to create an evening that is filled with entertainment and fun while showcasing Highland – stay tuned for more announcements and SAVE THE DATE!

**Mark your
calendar for HCC's
Inaugural Legacy
Gala: Saturday,
November 2, 2019
at the Wagner
House, Freeport!**

**The LEGACY GALA
will:**

Provide substantial
financial support to HCC

Recognize alumni and
community partners

Recognize the first-
ever recipient of the
prestigious LEGACY
AWARD

AND

Provide great FUN!

**YOU WON'T WANT
TO MISS THIS
MEMORABLE
COLLEGE EVENT!**

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Donors Impacting Students and Community Partners

Students can be confident with their skills when it comes time to enter the workforce. Due to the generosity of Highland donors, students will have new and improved learning experiences giving them hands-on training. Community partners will also have the opportunity to benefit from donor gifts.



State Bank
Freeport, IL

State Bank, along with an individual donor, have provided funding to Highland's Mass Communication Department. This generous donation will be used to upgrade equipment giving students the opportunity to learn using the same equipment found in television studios today. In addition to benefitting students, upgrades in the studio will allow for external partners to make better use of the facilities. Since its inception, the Mass Communication Department has been an innovative partner with multiple community

groups and businesses creating media products for both internal corporate use and external client communication.



German American
State Bank

An individual donor has made it possible for the Agriculture Department to renovate a classroom in Building E. The room will be converted into a soil and animal lab for Ag students to enhance their learning experience. Donations have also been secured for the Ag Department to build a green house on campus. All projects will be ready for students this fall. In addition to these exciting projects, the Ag Department has added German-American State Bank as a new corporate partner this year!



The HCC Criminal Justice program prepares students for rewarding careers with local, county, state, or federal

law enforcement agencies, correctional institutions, courtrooms, and other criminal justice agencies. A donation has been secured for the Criminal Justice Department to purchase a Firearms Simulator for students and community partners to train with – just as police officers are trained. The value of acquiring this equipment is beyond measure, as many students are future criminal justice practitioners working in area communities. This simulator will be a valuable resource not only for Highland students, but also as a multi-community and multi-agency training resource.



The Nursing Department just added new computers and an IV pump due to generous donors. Nursing will also be adding new simulators and additional equipment soon!

Thank you to all of Highland's donors for their commitment to education and to our communities!



Distinguished Alumni of 2018

The HCC Foundation hosted the 24th Annual Distinguished Alumni Awards this past fall at the Freeport Club. This year seven community members, who began their educational career at Highland Community College, were honored. Each of those honored demonstrated community leadership, professional achievement, and belief in the mission of the College. The nomination cycle for the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award is now open. Nominate an outstanding Alumni today! Email foundation@highland.edu or visit highland.edu/foundation to access the nomination form.



Pennie Groezinger is a HCC Leadership Institute graduate and serves as a HCC Board of

Directors Trustee. Pennie has 30 years of experience at Pearl City Elevator, Inc. where she continues to lead her team by "modeling the way, inspiring a shared vision, challenging the process, and leading by example. Pennie is among a group of forward-looking agribusiness professionals who continue to expand the Highland Agriculture Department.



Alan and Sherry Flack graduated from Highland with their Associate of Science

Degrees prior to both attending U of I. Alan completed his Master's degree in Agriculture and Sherry

completed her Bachelor's degree in Social Work. Sherry is also a graduate of the Highland Leadership Institute and throughout the years, Alan has taught classes at the college. Both Alan and Sherry have served on numerous boards that have made a great impact on their community.



Cristina Lambert graduated from HCC with high honors while working and raising her son. She completed

her Bachelor's Degree at Indiana University and then obtained her Master's Degree from Indiana Wesleyan. Cristina began working in Freeport at Crum and Forrester in the mail room. While at Continental Telephone Company she was a Customer Service Representative, Training Coordinator, Area Manager, Director, General Manager of Illinois, VP of Operations – to CEO of Puerto Rico Telephone.



Mike Schiffman graduated from Highland in 1992, and he earned a Bachelor's degree from

Illinois State University. He went on to earn a Master's Degree in Administration and Education from Western Illinois University. Mike began his educational career teaching history. He later served as Dean of Students at Forreston High School, Elementary Principal at Forreston Grade School, and Secondary Principal at Pearl City High School. Mike served as Superintendent of Schools for

Dakota Community Unit School for five years prior to being named Superintendent of Schools for the Freeport School District in July of 2015. Mike will be moving to the Pearl City School District this fall.



Heather Shick graduated from Highland in 2003. Heather earned her Doctor of

Dental Medicine (DMD) from the University of Kentucky's College of Dentistry in 2010. Today, Heather is successfully growing her own general dentistry practice: Above & Beyond Dentistry (ABD) located in Rockford, IL. Heather is committed to providing the best service to her patients and is committed to her community.



Kristin Stinnett graduated from Highland's Automotive Mechanics program in

2007. Kristin brings two years of teaching experience from SIU-C to her current role of Automotive Technology Instructor at Highland Community College. Kristin has 12 years of technician-level experience and 6 years of corporate-level, work-related experience. These are excellent accomplishments for anyone, but maybe more notable being a female in a heavily dominated male career pathway. Kristin has embraced the barriers and has paved the way for others by demonstrating commitment and professionalism.

Foundation Golf Silent Auction Now Open!

Bid at:
www.bidpal.net/hccgolf

- Chicago Cubs vs. Atlanta Braves; 7:00 p.m., Monday, June 24; section 126, row 5. 4 seats - also included parking pass

Donated by: Freeport Industrial Roofing, Inc. and Four Seasons Bowling Center

- Milwaukee Brewers vs Cincinnati Reds, Miller Park, Monday, July 22th, 7:10 p.m., 4 box seats

Donated by: The Morse Group

- Chicago Cubs Vs. Seattle Mariners, Tuesday, September 3rd, 7:05 p.m., 4 Tickets in The Brand New Catalina Club, Indoor/Outdoor Exclusive Club, includes free food and beverages, private entrance and restrooms

Donated By: Todd & Glenna Weegens

- Northwest Illinois Golf Package to include foursomes at 5 Courses!

**New Items added each month!
Auction closes
June 3rd at 6:30 p.m.**



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Corporate Partnership Program

As a community college, our mission is built around meeting the needs of our greater northwest Illinois community through quality educational and cultural programs.

Highland Community College is committed to shaping the future of our community and is proud to educate our future leaders.

With this in mind, we are enthusiastic about the Highland Community College Corporate Partnership Program. For HCC, corporate partnerships provide our students access to current and emerging educational opportunities as well as essential scholarship support. For our corporate partners, this relationship offers the opportunity to **effectively grow brand presence** on campus, throughout district, and through our social media platforms. Through this partnership, companies have opportunities to **build relationships** with HCC students, faculty, and staff along with **building connections** with other corporate partners that can lead to **new corporate opportunities**.

Being a Highland Corporate Partner allows our partners to become a highly visible key collaborator in moving the Highland mission forward!

Thank you to our 2019 Corporate Partners



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