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Tenth Annual Chancellor's Ball Raises \$135,000 for Student Scholarships at Santa Ana and Santiago Canyon Colleges

(Santa Ana)—Friends and supporters of Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) celebrated “A Decade of Distinction” at the Disneyland Hotel on October 12, generating much needed funds for student scholarships. The black tie optional event raised a record \$135,000. Of that, nearly \$113,000 was designated for scholarships and approximately \$22,000 for book scholarships for students at Santa Ana and Santiago Canyon Colleges.

“This celebration is about the synergy that happens when our colleges, our students and our partners in education work together to transform lives,” said Edward Hernandez, Jr., Ed.D., district chancellor. “We are grateful to the community for its unprecedented support of the 2007 Chancellor’s Ball,” he said.

Three Partners in Education were saluted for their support of RSCCD students and programs. The 2007 honorees were Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, University of California, Irvine; and U.S. Small Business Administration’s Santa Ana District. As part of the festivities, Sylvia Turner, Santa Ana College (SAC) associate dean of fine and performing arts was named Manager of the Year and Zeke Palomares, SAC skilled maintenance worker, received the Chancellor’s Award for their exemplary service to students and the community.

The event’s generous sponsors include: Kinsell, Newcomb & De Dios, Inc.; LPA; OCTFCU; Disneyland; McMahan Business Interiors; RBC Dain Rauscher; Seville Construction Services; The Feldhake Law Firm; and University of California, Irvine.

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About the Rancho Santiago Community College District

The mission of the Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) is to respond to the educational needs of an ever-changing community and to provide programs and services that reflect academic excellence. Santa Ana College and Santiago Canyon College are public community colleges of RSCCD, which serve the residents of Anaheim Hills, East Garden Grove, Irvine, Orange, Santa Ana, Tustin and Villa Park. Both colleges provide education for academic transfer and careers, courses for personal and professional development, customized training for business and industry, and programs to train nurses, firefighters and law enforcement personnel.