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Stockton Hospitality Management Students Raise \$1,100 for Tanner Edwards Foundation

Service Learning Project Aids Local Youth

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Galloway Township, NJ- A group Service Learning project by students at the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey not only provided some hands-on experience, but raised more than \$1,100 to benefit the Tanner Edwards Foundation for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

The students, from Dr. Michael Scales' Event Planning and Catering Management course, worked together in organizing a charity dinner. This year the theme was Atlantic City in the Roaring Twenties. The dinner was held on campus at the Lakeside Lodge with decorations representing the theme and featured a live jazz band.

"For the past three years, we've been teaching a hospitality management course in which the students chose a theme for a managed event and then carry out the typical tasks of actual event coordinators," Scales said. "They do it all...from developing a custom menu and creating the ambience that captures the look and feel of the theme, to setting up and breaking down furniture and decorating, even serving the food and cleaning up."

All proceeds from the event, which took place April 6, were donated to the Tanner Edwards Foundation. The foundation supports the care of the Toms River six year old who suffers from the debilitating disease.

"Not only did the students learn about how to plan, stage and execute a successful event, they experienced the good feelings one receives from helping someone in need. They had the opportunity to meet Tanner and his family and feel his remarkable joy for life," Scales said.

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