



Thomas and Claire Kuhar, Rita Mack Join Stockton College Foundation Board

Business and Community Leaders to Help Raise Funds for Scholarships

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Galloway Township, NJ - Three members of the Atlantic County business and civic community have joined the board of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Foundation, which focuses on providing Stockton students with scholarships and financial aid.

The foundation was established in 1972 to provide philanthropic support for the financial needs of Stockton. The foundation reached \$27.1 million in assets as of Dec. 31, 2013, a record made possible by donors who are alumni, friends, faculty/staff, area businesses, parents and student groups. The foundation has awarded over \$500,000 for scholarships for the 2014 fiscal year.

Joining the foundation board are: Thomas J. Kuhar of Kuhar Realty, LLC in Galloway and his wife, Claire B. Kuhar, who runs her own accounting firm here, and Rita Mack, a McDonald's franchisee since 1986 who owns two restaurants in Atlantic City along with her husband, Anthony.

Thomas Kuhar has more than 40 years of business and leadership experience in real estate, consulting, investment, and management of special projects. He is also a NJ Licensed Real Estate Representative for Berkshire Hathaway Home Services in Northfield, focusing on commercial and residential properties.

Kuhar is a graduate of Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting. He has also attended programs at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Business and Harvard Business School. He created a successful startup in Trinity Industries, Inc., an underground pipeline contractor that was sold to Peco Energy in 1999.

He also served as president/CEO of Ole Hansen & Sons, Inc. in Cologne, NJ and was a key member of the team that developed Blue Heron Pines Golf Club in 1993. Kuhar served as vice president of operations at Greate Bay Country Club in Somers Point, NJ

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from 2005-07, during which time the company experienced significant growth in its golf, food and beverage business, while significantly enhancing the member experience.

Kuhar's community service includes serving as president of the United Way of Atlantic County; as a trustee of the Greater Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce; and as a member of the executive advisory board of Rutgers School of Business, Camden Division. He is currently a member of the Atlantic County Veterans Museum Planning Committee.

Claire B. Kuhar was raised in Vineland, NJ and graduated from Stockton College in 1981, with a Bachelor of Science in business. She holds licenses in New Jersey as a certified public accountant, general securities registered representative and life and health insurance producer. Claire has been practicing public accounting for approximately 30 years and is the sole proprietor of the Claire B. Kuhar, CPA accounting firm in Galloway Township.

She is a member of American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants. Claire volunteers her time for several Atlantic County non-profit organizations.

Rita Mack describes herself as an active and passionate volunteer in the McDonald's System and her community. Rita served as Chair & CEO of the National Black McDonald's Operators Association (NBMOA), and she is only the second female elected to lead this 40-year-old organization. Members of the NBMOA own over 1,400 restaurants throughout the United States with annual sales collectively exceeding \$ 3.4 billion. In addition, Rita and nine other female owner/operators launched the McDonald's Women Operator Network (WON), which now has a membership of more than 500.

Rita is a lifetime NAACP member and very involved in her community. She and her husband pledged \$10,000 recently to help the Atlantic City Boys and Girls Club remain open. She said her philosophy has been to make a difference by "doing good."

For over 16 years, Rita served as a commissioner of the Atlantic City Convention & Visitors Authority (ACC&VA) board of directors. She has also served as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Ronald McDonald House of Southern New Jersey. Currently, Rita is a member of the Board of Trustees for AtlantiCare Health System.

A native of Nashville, Tennessee, Rita holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Tennessee State University.

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