## GOLF WEEK A GUIDE TO CHARITY TOURNAMENTS

## 26th Annual Scholarship Open to Help Students Achieve at MCC



PLAYING A CLASSIC FOR A GOOD CAUSE: Margaret Somerset, Charles Runyon, Paul Keneally and Steve Epping prepare to play the ninth hole at the historic Monroe Golf Club last July. The foursome played in support of the MCC Foundation's Scholarship Open that raised a net total of \$70,000 for student scholarships and innovative programs at MCC. (Photo: MCC Foundation)

Looking back at our college years, wouldn't it have been nice to have just a little extra financial support? For those who remember those days, there is an opportunity to give something back — and have some fun at the same time.

To help students achieve their educational and career goals, the Monroe Community College Foundation will host its 26th annual Scholarship Open on Monday, July 12, at Monroe Golf Club, 155 Golf Ave., Pittsford. Tournament proceeds support student scholarships and educational excellence at Monroe Community College.

For more than a quarter of a century, the Scholarship Open has been one of the leading fundraisers for the MCC Foundation — but is also known for its enjoyable pace of play, and providing a rewarding opportunity to impact student lives in our community.

Participants in the limited, 132-player field will be able to choose from a variety of tee-gift packages before beginning play with a shotgun start at 11:30 a.m. Food and beverages will be served throughout the day, followed by a silent auction, lobster-dinner, scholarship call and awards ceremony to be held immediately following the tournament.

Jack Cannon, CEO of Cannon Industries Inc., and Jeff Davis, president of Elmer W. Davis, will serve as chairs of the tournament. Both are directors on the MCC Foundation Board.

Over the past few years, MCC Scholarship Open participants have helped the MCC Foundation raise over \$254,000 to support student success — last year alone about \$70,000 was raised towards student scholarships. This year's goal is to raise at least another \$70,000, if not

"The Scholarship Open provides a rewarding opportunity to impact student lives in our community," said Cannon, who has served as a tournament chair for the past two years. "Last year our golfers raised a net total of \$70,000 so that MCC students could focus on their studies. Our goal is to award even more scholarships this wear."

Adding to the value of the day's activities is the availability of the historic Monroe Golf Club to MCC Scholarship Open golfers. Opened in 1923, Monroe is one of six Rochester-area courses designed by famed Scottish architect Donald Ross. A treat for any golfer and student of the game of golf, Monroe offers a rare opportunity to enjoy one of the country's most well-preserved Ross designs.

Foursomes and underwriting opportunities are still available for this year's tournament. Benefits include an Oak Hill East Course Appreciation Day with PGA Head Professional Craig Harmon for top underwriters.

The cost to play is \$600 per person; \$2,400 per foursome.

The day will begin with registration and a continental breakfast between 10 and 11:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start to the tournament, along with a hot lunch at the turn. After golf, players can cool down with a 19th hole open bar reception at 4 p.m. coinciding with a silent auction. The day will conclude with a lobster dinner buffet at 5:30 p.m., along with tournament awards that will be given to the day's top golfers.

The Monroe Community College Foundation seeks and secures private funds to supplement Monroe Community College's traditional revenue sources. Through its ongoing efforts, it provides scholarship assistance, faculty enrichment programs, funding for educational equipment and seed money for innovative programs.

If interested, don't wait to sign up — the registration deadline of June 25 is rapidly approaching.

The Monroe Community College Foundation will host its 26th annual Scholarship Open at Monroe Golf Club in Pittsford on Monday, July 12. For an entry fee of \$600 per golfer, or \$2,400 per foursome, the day includes an 18hole golf tournament on the historic Donald Ross-designed golf course, cart, lunch, dinner, awards, gifts and prizes. To register, or for more information on how to enter this event, please contact the MCC foundation at 585-262-1500 by Friday, June 25. >

The following is our most current list of charity golf tournaments to date which are scheduled for 2010.

We will update this list each month throughout the summer for publication in our charity tournament section. Also be sure to look up charity tournament information on our website at www. golfweekrochester. com.

To include your event in future lists, be sure to send us the date, location and charity involved with your tournament. Send information to: Rochester Golf Week, 2535 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Rd., Rochester, NY 14623.

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