

# Digest

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Summer 2009

OAKTON AT ARLINGTON



Save the Date!  
Saturday, August 29  
*(See details on back cover.)*

## “Oh, What a Night” for Student Scholarships

On Saturday, May 2, friends of the Oakton Educational Foundation rocked around the clock to raise money for student scholarships. The 1950s-inspired benefit, *Rock Your Socks Off*, featured legendary WLS-AM deejay Clark Weber and renowned entertainer Victor Pacini, who spun “platters” of Elvis, Bobby Darin, Dean Martin, and more. The event raised nearly \$12,000 for the Student Scholarship Fund.

“What a fun way to support deserving students!” noted Kathleen Carot, Oakton professor of humanities and coordinator of Women’s and Gender Studies.

Guests enjoyed White Castle style sliders, an ice cream sundae bar, and spiked punch before “twisting and shouting” on the dance floor.

Weber congratulated dance contest winners Michele Brown, Linda Korbelt, and Nancy Prendergast by saying, “You ladies can get down!”

Three lucky guests also left with nifty raffle prizes. Grand prize winner Trish Halick hit a home run with two Cubs tickets, an American Express gift cheque worth \$100, and a gift certificate to Cubby Bear North.



*Former WLS-AM deejay Clark Weber congratulates dance contest winners Linda Korbelt (center) and Nancy Prendergast.*

Jeannette Corbin won a Lynfred Winery tasting certificate, and Megan Krick can now practice Buddy Holly hits on her new Fender guitar.

The night ended with the Four Seasons’ “Oh, What a Night,” dedicated to lead sponsor Walgreen Co. Supporting sponsors included AmericaUnited Bank, Daubenspeck and Associates, Edens Bank, Fisher Container Corporation, JP Morgan Chase Bank, Oakton Student Government Association, Sikich LLP, and UPS.

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# Foundation Welcomes Two New Directors



*Donald J. Koop*



*Stanely M. Stevens*

The Educational Foundation proudly announces the appointment of two new directors, Donald J. Koop and Stanley M. Stevens.

A Glenview resident, Koop possesses more than two decades of human resources experience. He currently serves as Vice President, Human Resources Americas for John Crane Inc., where he is responsible for repositioning HR functions to further grow a \$1.3 billion international engineered sealing solutions, bearings, and oil extraction products company.

Koop also has served as a human resources director at CTL, John O. Butler Company, and Parkview Metal Products, Inc. He holds master's degrees in human resource development and human resource management from the University of Illinois. Koop received his bachelor's degree in political science from Loyola University.

Stevens is a retired lawyer with more than four decades of legal experience. Most recently, he was a partner at the Chicago branch of Sidley Austin, LLP. Stevens concentrated his practice in commercial real estate, with an emphasis on capital markets and investment trusts.

From 1996-2007, he served as executive vice president, chief legal counsel, and secretary of Equity Office Properties Trust in Chicago, where he worked from the company's inception to its sale to the Blackstone Group. His legal experience also includes positions as executive vice president, chief operating officer, and general counsel for First Capital Financial Corporation, a public real estate syndication company.

Stevens earned his law degree from the University of Chicago Law School and his bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri.



## Wentcher Scholars Celebrate in Chicago

*Ernest C. Wentcher (center), one of Oakton's most generous benefactors, recently hosted a celebration in downtown Chicago for the Wentcher Scholarship recipients. Mr. Wentcher provides full tuition support for 20 Oakton students each year who intend to continue their education at a four-year college or university. Shown here are Wentcher scholars from the classes of 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009.*

# Rock Around the Clock



1. Entertainer Victor Pacini serenades young bobby soxer Megan Krick.

2. Foundation Director Joan Richards (right) strikes a pose with her husband Trent and Oakton President Peg Lee.

3. Foundation President Howard Singer and his wife Alisa get ready to rock around the clock.

4. Foundation Director Jeffrey Rodriguez and his wife Jaime grab the spotlight with Marilyn Monroe.

5. Katherine Schuster (left) and Kathleen Carot play it cool at the hop.

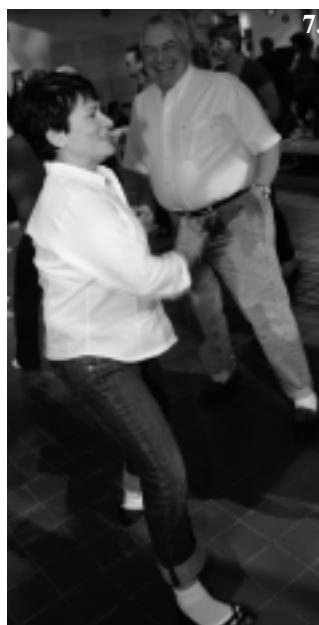
6. King and Queen of the Hop Meredith Agee and Michael Mulaney pose with the King of Rock and Roll.



7. Foundation Director Pam Hermanek boogies with her husband Don.

8. Barb Knoepfel sports her cat glasses.

9. Foundation Affiliate Paulette Levy and her husband Julian refresh themselves with spiked punch and sliders.



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## Upcoming Events

# Scholarship Banquet

Wednesday, September 23,  
6 p.m.

Allgauer's at the Hilton  
Northbrook  
2855 N. Milwaukee Avenue

*A festive evening honoring  
Oakton's esteemed donors  
and exceptional scholarship  
winners*

## OAKTON AT ARLINGTON



**Saturday, August 29**

**Noon**

Enjoy the races from the private International Room.  
A luncheon buffet, four-hour open bar, and silent auction  
promise to make this a fun-filled afternoon.

Tickets are \$85.

**To order, call 847.635.1893.**

*Proceeds support student scholarships.*



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