

Shulls Honored

Dick and Barbara Shull, Leawood, have been named by the JCCC Foundation as the Johnson Countians of the Year for 2007.

The Shulls will be honored at the Foundation's 21st annual Some Enchanted Evening gala Nov. 10 at the Overland Park Marriott Hotel. Proceeds from the event support student scholarships at JCCC. Over the past 20 years, the Foundation has raised more than \$3.3 million for the college's scholarship endowment through Some Enchanted Evening.

Dick Shull is president of Shawnee Mission Ford Inc. and Johnson County Auto Credit. He has also served as president of Preservation Life Insurance Company, chair of Midwestern Fleet Leasing Inc., secretary/treasurer of Midwest Ford Dealers Advertising Association, a member of the Ford Motor Company National Dealer Council Executive Committee, regional vice president and director of Kansas Motor Car Dealers Association, a trustee of the Kansas City Motor Car Dealers Association Health and Welfare, and a trustee of the Kansas City Motor Car Dealers Association Pension Fund.

In addition, Dick Shull serves on the Shawnee Mission Medical Center Foundation and as a trustee of Shawnee Mission Medical Center.

Barbara Shull is an active community volunteer, serving on committees for the American Cancer Gala, Shawnee Mission Medical Center and

Children's Mercy Hospital. The couple were named Volunteers of the Year by the Volunteer Center of Johnson County in 2000.

Dick Shull currently serves on the JCCC Foundation Board, on which Barbara served from 2001 to 2003. Through the years, the Shulls have supported the Carlsen Center, the JCCC Foundation Dollars for Scholars auction, Some Enchanted Evening and fund-raising for the Courtyard Fountain at JCCC. The couple has served on the Some Enchanted Evening planning committee, chairing the event in 1996. They also served as honorary chairs for the JCCC Dollars for Scholars auction in 1997.

The Shulls established an endowment in 1994 to support the Shawnee Mission Ford Automotive Technology scholarship. In 2001, they established the Richard G. and Barbara J. Shull nursing scholarship and matched the funds raised in Dick's honor for the Foundation's first Board of Directors' Leadership Scholarship.

The Shull Foyer in the Regnier Center is named in honor of Dick and Barbara Shull in recognition of their donations to the college.

"Barbara and Dick Shull are two of the college's closest and most valued friends," said Dr. Joe Sopcich, director, Institutional Advancement. "Over the years they have served the college in countless ways. We consider them to be our 'go to' volunteers. When you review their contributions to the Johnson County community, it is easy to see why they are our Johnson Countians of the Year for 2007."

The JCCC Foundation has helped thousands of students pursue their dreams of a college education. Students with exceptional needs, such as single parents, displaced workers, minorities, the underemployed and the disabled, benefit from Foundation scholarships. The Johnson Countian of the Year award is the Foundation's highest recognition of achievement and is presented at Some Enchanted Evening, a black-tie event that includes a gourmet dinner, entertainment and dancing. 🌿

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