

Rochester College Presents



Partnership Dinner

XXXIV

May 7, 2005, 5:15pm

Cobo Convention Center, Detroit

An Evening With...
Mr. Art Linkletter

Welcome from the President



Welcome to Partnership Dinner XXXIV! From its humble beginnings in the gym on the campus to the great sessions in Cobo Hall, Partnership Dinner has been a place where college friends and supporters have gathered for an evening of fellowship and entertainment. The tradition continues tonight as we gather to hear Art Linkletter. His wisdom and advice is a part of American culture, and we are pleased he is joining us this evening.

We are always pleased to see the groups of people that come together for this event. We come from different backgrounds and opinions but we all recognize the goal that is happening at Rochester College as we prepare students for a life of learning and service. We must continue to focus on the good that is being accomplished through the mission of Rochester College. May God bless your evening! Enjoy!

Michael and Sharon Westerfield

Evening Program

Menu

Welcome

Dr. Michael W. Westerfield, President

Invocation

Dr. James Thompson, North Broadway Church of Christ

Dinner

Introduction of Choral Presentations

Dr. Michael Westerfield

Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus

Mr. Tim Meixner, Director

Rochester College A Cappella Chorus

Dr. Joe Bentley, Director

Introduction of Speaker

Dr. Michael Westerfield

Mr. Art Linkletter

Concluding Remarks

Dr. Michael Westerfield

Devotion in Song

Dr. Joe Bentley

Benediction

Mr. James Snow, Redford Church of Christ

Seasoned and Baked Half Chicken

Quartered Roasted Red Skin Potatoes

Seasonal Vegetable Medley

Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter

Salad Maison—

Fresh Tossed Garden Salad with
Cherry Tomatoes, Sliced Cucumbers,
Garlic Croutons, Alfalfa Sprouts,
and Raspberry Vinaigrette

Turtle Cheesecake and Chocolate
Seduction Layer Cake

Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee, Tea, Water

Vegetarian Option

Portobello Mushroom Ravioli tossed
in a Sage Parmesan Cream Sauce

Art Linkletter

A radio and television star for more than 45 years, Art Linkletter has performed in two of the longest running shows in broadcasting history.

House Party was on daytime CBS radio and television, five days a week, 52 weeks per year for 25 years. It won an Emmy Award for the best daytime show, and four Emmy nominations. *People Are Funny*, on nighttime NBC Radio and Television, ran weekdays, 52 weeks per year for 19 years, and was consistently in the top ten rating list. It won three Emmy nominations.

Art has been writing books since 1950. Of his many books, *Kids Say the Darndest Things* is one of the top 15 best sellers in American publishing history, and was number one for two straight years on the non-fiction list.

Art has served on the Pres-

ident's National Advisory Council for Drug Abuse Prevention, and on the Presidential Commission to Improve Reading in the U.S. He was also President of the National Coordinating Council on Drug Abuse Education and Information, Inc., headquartered in Washington, D.C.

Art has been married to Lois (Foster) since 1935. On Thanksgiving Day they will have been married 70 years. The Linkletters had five children, three daughters and two sons. Of the three remaining children, Jack, the eldest, is married with two sons and a daughter. Daughter Dawn is married and has twin boys, and Sharon is married and has two daughters.



*The appearance of Art Linkletter arranged through Happy Talk Int'l (800.594.7554)

Rochester College A Cappella Chorus

The Music Department of Rochester College offers training for students interested in pursuing careers in music as well as a general music education for all students. Students may earn a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in Music, a Bachelor of Science in Music Education, a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies with a concentration in music, or may minor in music as part of any other bachelor's degree at Rochester College. The department offers students the opportunity for aesthetic expression through such performing ensembles as the A Cappella Chorus, Concert Band, and Autumn, as well as participation in the annual review *Celebration*. The A Cappella Chorus serves as an important musical ambassador for the college. Now in its 45th year, it presents over twenty concerts each year throughout the Midwest and Canada. The Chorus is under the direction of Dr. Joe R. Bentley, who has directed the Chorus since 1986.

Metro Detroit Youth Chorus

The Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus is currently in its 41st year of ministering with music to people in the metropolitan Detroit area and around the country! MDYC is comprised of young people ranging in age from 14-18. As a group of a cappella singers, the Chorus provides a musical experience that encourages members and listeners in devotion to Christ and Christian principles. Membership has grown from 18 members in 1964 to 110 in 2004. Members of the Chorus represent over 20 congregations of the Churches of Christ and other Christian churches throughout the metropolitan Detroit area. Mr. Tim Meixner is the director of Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus.

Tonight's Prayer Leaders

Dr. James Thompson is the long-time minister for North Broadway Church of Christ. Dr. Thompson also serves as Director of the Midwest Christian Institute in Mt. Clemens.

Mr. James Snow is the long-time minister for the Redford Church of Christ.



Fall Festival

The Associates Fall Festival, renamed the Rochester Fall Festival, returns on Saturday, October 1, 2005. Over the last 45 years, each Festival has seen literally thousands attend this long-held tradition. This year, Rochester College revamped the Festival, making it less of a “country-style fair” and more of an attraction that would draw a broader and even larger crowd with “extreme” events such as a bungee jump, sky trail and climbing wall available. The Rochester Fall Festival is partnering with RARA (Rochester/Avon Recreation Authority) who is hosting the Festival’s 5k Race and Three-on-Three Bas-

ketball tournament. Live entertainment will be provided while attendees browse vendor’s wares, check out the children’s activities and grab a bite to eat at the food court. The main goal of Fall Festival is to provide an opportunity for community, alumni, students and friends of the college to interact and to make the Rochester College campus available for relationship-building opportunities. For more information, contact Birgie Niemann, vice president of public relations and festival director, at 248.218.2113, or take a look at the official Fall Festival website at www.rc.edu/rochesterfallfestival.

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About Rochester College

In 1954, members of the Church of Christ formed a Board of Trustees to establish a college in the north central United States. The new Board purchased land near rural Rochester, Michigan, and the first students arrived at North Central Christian College in 1959. Several years later, NCCC became Michigan Christian College. In 1997, the Board adopted the name Rochester College. That same year, the Board reaffirmed the founders' dedication to "the task of leading students toward high academic achievement ... and the development of Christian ideals."

Over the years, the campus of Rochester College has grown and the college leaders have continued to develop and modify programs that will meet the changing needs of our students. In 1999, the college adopted a new strategic plan, *A Decade of Vision*, designed to guide the institution into the twenty-first century with additional programs and services.

In a typical year, students arrive from more than a dozen states and about ten different countries. Alumni are scattered in many places, around the nation and the world.

Since its inception, Rochester College has emphasized the importance of combining academic excellence with Christian ideals. While the College admits students of all



The newest addition to the Rochester College skyline: the Richardson Academic Center, dedicated October 1, 2004. The RAC houses administrative offices, a theatre, student center, science and psychology labs and classrooms, and the ACE Lab. It is attached to the east end of the Ham Library, which opened in the fall of 2002.

racess and religions and carefully explains varying world-views in relevant courses, it employs only those professors and instructors who understand, practice, and teach the Christian faith. Regardless of their discipline, faculty members routinely relate their subject matter to relevant principles and concepts of Christianity.

The background is a repeating pattern of vintage floral wallpaper. It features large, detailed flowers in shades of pink, red, and beige, interspersed with smaller blue flowers and green leaves. The pattern is framed by ornate, brown, scroll-like motifs. In the center, there is a white rectangular box with a dashed border containing the college's name and website.

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