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Rocky Now: Keeping our friends and supporters informed about what's new and exciting at Rocky Mountain College

It's all about our students

How does a Rocky student differ from other college students? They are champions.

Rachel Warren has armloads of awards from her golfing career. She was a three-time state champion when she played for Billings Central. She was selected to the NAIA All-America First Team, two years in a row at RMC. Warren, an all-Frontier Conference golfer, helped the Lady Bears to a fifth-place finish at the NAIA national championships in San Marcos, Calif. in May. She finished in a tie for 21st place individually after placing third at nationals in South Bend, Ind., in 2006. And now, the 21-year-old math major, who will be a senior this fall at Rocky Mountain College, is the Montana Women's Amateur Champion. She came close twice before, but this year she prevailed.



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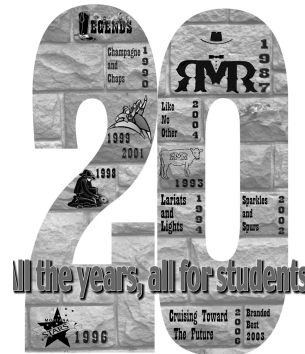
The third time' is the charm: Rachel Warren persevered to win the state women's amateur championship.

All the years, all for students

The annual scholarship benefit is celebrating its 20th birthday

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the College's premier scholarship benefit, Black Tie Blue Jeans, and to celebrate that birthday some of the history and heritage is being revived.

The original event relied heavily on an RMC Roundup. Ranchers branded a calf with the official Rocky brand which was auctioned off at the event. Later, the livestock was sold at public auction with the proceeds going to RMC. This year, with Montana Livestock Executive Secretary Christian Mackay, whose grandfather was an RMC board member, and RMC Board Member Barb Skelton serving as honorary chairs, the donate-a-calf program has been resurrected. Calves won't be branded, but Christian



Montana Livestock Executive Secretary Christian Mackay and RMC Board Member Barb Skelton are co-chairing the revival of the Rocky Mountain Roundup.

and Barb are confident they can find ranchers willing to help out RMC students by donating proceeds of the sale of an RMC-

designated calf.

BTBJ will honor this year's honorary chairs, Judith C. and Sam E. McDonald, Jr., with the RMC lifetime Achievement Award.

The Midlife Chryslers, with RMC art professor Mark Moak on drums, will perform. The gourmet meal will again feature "What's for Dinner" Montana Beef, and the silent and live auction items will be even bigger and better. Among items this year will be property at Cathedral Mountain near Nye.

For details on all the auction items visit www.blacktiebluejeans.com. For tickets, call 657-1173.

"This really is the year you won't want to miss," said RMC Director of Development Shari VanDelinder.

BTBJ Tickets
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Photo courtesy of James Woodcock/Gazette

Clara Klindt blows out candles on her birthday cake.

Rocky's biggest fan

Klindt Corner honors couple's devotion to RMC

"The spirit of Rocky Mountain College is not a cheerleader or a football player, but a century-old woman who lives in an assisted-living facility off Parkhill Drive," wrote reporter Cynthia Reynaud for *The Billings Gazette*. The woman she was describing is Clara Klindt whose 100th birthday included a visit from RMC staff and friends who marked her birthday by dedicating a memorial at Rocky in her name. Klindt's Corner, located in the Fortin Center, honors Clara and her late husband, former coach Herb Klindt, for more than 75 years of service to Rocky.

"They (Herb and Clara) didn't

have any family, so Rocky was their family," said Helen Mathew, the wife of another Rocky coach, Frank Mathew, and one of Clara's close friends.

"Clara is a very humble and generous woman," said Rocky Athletic Director Terry Corey. The Klindt scholarship program has provided athletes with thousands of dollars to attend Rocky. In 1997, Rocky honored Clara with an outstanding alumni award. In 1998, she was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

"This is a happy day. I hope there are many more," Clara said.

That wish is shared by all of us at Rocky.

Huge Homecoming

Not just a football game anymore, it's music, golf and food galore

It's not just a football game any more. Homecomings for many years have added more and more events to entice alumni and friends back to their alma mater.

This year - Oct. 19-20 -- is no exception with sporting events, including the traditional Saturday football game, but also soccer and volleyball games on Friday; campus tours; wine tasting; tailgate barbeque; a golf tourney at Hilands Country Club; a concert by the Montana Logging and Ballet Company; and the annual meetings of the RMC National Advisory Council. Of course, the homecoming game always celebrates new members' induction into the RMC Clara Klindt Athletic Hall of Fame. Three people will be inducted into the RMC Hall of Fame this year: Jeff Lewis, who directed Battlin' Bears to back-to-back Frontier Conference championships, will join Leo Fink and Dusty Rhodes, who were all-conference football players and members of two conference title teams.

There will also be two other important events. To honor two of RMC's past presidents, there will be the official unveiling of the statue of Dr. Arthur DeRosier, Jr., and the dedication of the Dr. Lawrence Small Archives. Both have recently published books and there will be author book signings of Dr. DeRosier's biography of Willam Dunbar, and Dr. Small's second volume of the history of the college, "Courageous Journey."

This year there are special events for the classes of the 1970s, following up on last year's special events for the classes of the 1960s.

Whew!

For details, contact the RMC Alumni Office, 657-1007, or visit www.rocky.edu and click on alumni.

Rocky unveils its new look

The Rocky Mountain College seal will never change and is the historic collegiate symbol of the college. The official seal is used on all official documents, from diplomas to the president's stationery. Every now and then, however, the college adopts a different look for use in advertising, from campus apparel to the web site. This year, Rocky's newest look shows Granite Peak in the Beartooth Mountains, strongly showing our connection to our location, and reflects how we accept challenges, from climbing Rocky Mountain peaks to scaling the higher academic heights. While we can only display it here in black and white, the color version dramatically uses variations of the RMC gold and green.



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