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Ramapo College Foundation's Second Annual Ramapo Rumble Set to Start Its Engine in May 2012

(MAHWAH, NJ) – The Ramapo College Foundation will hold its 2nd Annual Ramapo Rumble on Sunday, May 20, 2012, a 90-mile stretch through North Jersey and New York State.

The 90-mile run, which begins on the campus, includes three stops for bikers to enjoy refreshments. The event will also feature lunch, live music from the DRG Band, awards, a 50/50 raffle, and door prizes. Motorcycle-related vendors will also sell cycling gear, and Harleys, Triumphs and BMW bikes will be on display.

Last year's Rumble raised about \$15,000 for student scholarships and undergraduate research programs. About 120 bikers attended the event. The event raises funds for student scholarships and undergraduate research programs.

“We thought this would be a fun kind of event to introduce the College to a new group of people,” said Ramapo College Foundation Assistant Vice President Kathleen Mainardi.

The run's Steering Committee is comprised of College alumni, staff, members of the Board of Governors and community members. Members of the committee include Chairman Rick DeSilva, Rick DeSilva, Jr., Anthony P. Petralia, John Brewster '75, Randall Brewster and Jonathan Marcus '93 of Mahwah, NJ, Robert Hiden of Mamaroneck, NY, Doreen Janes of Lyndhurst, NJ, David Hackett of South Plainfield, NJ, Larry Inserra of Franklin Lakes, NJ, Lisa Ryan of Towaco, NJ, and Gerry Guidice '78 of Robbinsville, NJ.

The Poker Run/Ramapo Rumble is a Ramapo College Foundation event, created to uphold the Foundation's mission to “provide the resources that make the difference in Ramapo College of New Jersey's quest for educational excellence.” The event is scheduled for Sunday, May 20, and the rain date is Sunday, June 3. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until 10:30 a.m. the morning of the run. The cost is \$25 for riders and \$15 for passengers. For more information, please contact Ramapo College Foundation Assistant Vice President Kathleen Mainardi at 201.684.6259 or via email at kmainard@ramapo.edu.

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Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as fifth in the Best Regional Universities North category for public institutions, Ramapo College of New Jersey is sometimes mistaken for a private college. This is, in part, due to its unique interdisciplinary academic structure, its size of approximately 6,008 students and its pastoral setting in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains

on the New Jersey/New York border.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include nursing and social work. In addition, Ramapo College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers five graduate programs as well as articulated programs with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry and New York College of Podiatric Medicine.