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## **Ramapo College Foundation to Honor Three Individuals at Distinguished Citizens Dinner on March 5**

MAHWAH, N.J. --The Ramapo College Foundation will honor three individuals for their professional achievement, commitment and community service at its 34th Annual Distinguished Citizens Award Dinner. The honorees will be recognized at a gala on March 5 at the Rockleigh Country Club in Rockleigh, N.J.

**Donald Nuckel** is President and Chief Operating of the Nuckel Property and Chairman of Nuckel Global Initiative located in Little Ferry, New Jersey. Among his many philanthropic endeavors is the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program in the Little Ferry School District which is coordinated by Ramapo College.

**Cindy Schawe '89** is Vice President of Strategic Marketing at Stryker, located in Mahwah, New Jersey. She joined Stryker after graduating from Ramapo College and has held executive marketing positions in the company's Knee and Hip divisions. Stryker is a neighbor of the College and a member of Ramapo's Business Partners program which provides crucial funding for student scholarships.

**Christopher Turner** is Vice President of Prestige Management Services located in Ramsey, New Jersey. He is a member of the Ramapo Foundation Board of Governors and chairs the Concours d'Elegance held on the Ramapo campus in June. Prestige is a member of Ramapo's Business Partners program and also is a lead sponsor for the College's Annual Golf Outing.

The annual benefit dinner raises funds for student scholarships, faculty and student research opportunities and campus capital projects. The dinner will be held Saturday, March 5 at the elegant Rockleigh Country Club in Rockleigh, N.J. A cocktail reception and silent auction begins at 6 p.m. The dinner program honoring the Distinguished Citizens begins at 8 p.m. Dinner and dancing will follow.

Dinner sponsorship levels are available. For tickets and reservations please visit [www.ramapo.edu/dcd](http://www.ramapo.edu/dcd)  
For additional event information, contact Liz Kloak at [lkloak@ramapo.edu](mailto:lkloak@ramapo.edu) or 201-684-6834.

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Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as fifth in the Best Regional Public Universities North category, 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 6,000 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 eight graduate programs as well as articulated programs with Rutgers, The State University 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.