

MCCC to hold Annual Golf Classic on Oct. 6

The 17th Annual Mercer event will be held at the Mercer Oaks East Golf Course with proceeds benefiting student athletes.

The MCCC Athletics Department hosts its 17th Annual Golf Classic on Monday, October 6. The event will be held at the Mercer Oaks East Golf Course, an 18-hole championship course located on a beautifully landscaped site adjacent to Mercer County Park in West Windsor, N.J. Proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the MCCC Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund.

The practice range for tournament participants opens at 10:30 a.m. Registration and lunch begin at 11:30 a.m. with tee-off at 12:30 p.m. The tournament features a shotgun start, scramble format. Sponsor for the hole-in-one prize is the Haldeman Car Dealerships.

Other skill prizes include longest drives for men and women and closest-to-the-pin on four holes. The tournament concludes at 5:30 p.m. with an awards reception, door prizes and dinner. Golfers and party-only guests will enjoy the premiere facilities available in the Mercer Oaks clubhouse.

Community members serving on the Golf Classic Committee include Doug Borden of Borden Perlman Insurance Company, Dave

held in memory of Ritzau's late wife, MCCC Foundation board member and local physician, Dr. Cynthia Schaffer. Schaffer strongly supported Mercer's mission and was an active member of the college's Foundation Board. She was an ardent sports enthusiast, especially in golf and youth tennis.

According to John Simone, MCCC assistant dean for student services and director of athletics, athletic scholarships have helped many Mercer students achieve their academic goals. "Participation in sports proves to be a prime motivator in the classroom," Simone said. "Students develop the discipline required for college-level athletics. They learn to manage their time and get along with others in a cooperative team environment. These are skills that serve them throughout life." He notes that Mer-

cer's emphasis on small class size, accessible professors, and numerous support services makes the college an ideal setting to insure student success. Simone reports that 26 Mercer athletes plan to transfer to four-year schools this fall, many with athletic scholarships.

The cost for a foursome is \$800, twosomes are \$400, and individual golfers are \$200. For non-golfers, tickets for the awards dinner may be purchased separately at a cost of \$100. The tournament is open to the public. There are numerous opportunities to participate as an event sponsor starting at \$5,000 for a title sponsor and ranging down to \$160 for a hole sponsor. Sponsors receive a variety of benefits based on their level of participation. Prize donations are also welcome.

