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Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for Newly Renovated Elizabeth B. Alton Auditorium

Event set for 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 on the Galloway Twp. Campus

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Galloway Twp., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey marked a significant milestone in the completion of the renovation of the Elizabeth B. Alton Auditorium in a ribbon-cutting ceremony today at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 on the Galloway Twp. Campus.

The Alton Auditorium ribbon-cutting occurred on the second floor of A-Wing. Formerly known as the A-Wing Lecture Hall, the Alton Auditorium was a 4,800 square foot facility that was transformed into a state-of-the-art learning environment. The renovated Auditorium contains tiered seating that increases the capacity from its previous seating capacity of 224 seats to a new total of 276 seats. There is also a new main entry from the second floor. Outdated audio visual equipment was upgraded to current technology and a new catwalk spans the auditorium to enhance stage lighting during performances. A new heating, ventilation and air conditioning system was also installed.

A 6,000 square foot renovation of the Alton Auditorium is now complete and ready for use. The project was managed by Stockton's Office of Facilities Planning and Construction, designed by Farewell Mills Gatsch of Princeton, NJ and constructed by MJJ Construction, LLC of Atco, NJ. On Tuesday, January 20, 2009, Professors William Daly and Yitzhak Sharon provided the inaugural lectures in this facility to a full house.

The completion of this project represents one of a number of significant steps of the College toward advancement and implementation of the Facilities Master Plan, a plan that covers a period beyond the next 10 years. The Master Plan addresses the need for facilities upgrades that serve the needs of the state's fastest growing region and is available online at www.stockton.edu.