Night of Music and Dance at Stockton Will Benefit Malawi, Africa

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, a leadership honor society, will present *Music for Malawi* November 6th, 2008. The event is free with donation and open to Stockton community members and their guests. It will take place at The Lodge at Lakeside from 8-10 p.m.

This is the second time Stockton has reached out to the country of Malawi. The first time was in 2002 after Stockton Professor Beverly Vaughn finished a sabbatical at University of Malawi and saw the need for educational supplies in the country.

This time they are raising funds at the request of a young man from Malawi, Gladson Msendera*. Msendera remembered Stockton's generosity from the past and contacted the *Music for Malawi* team which includes Omicron Delta Kappa, Books Without Borders, Stockton Oratorio Society and many other community members. In his letter he states, "...a keyboard is highly wanted. Your support shall be highly appreciated."

The *Music for Malawi* on November 6th will be the kick-off event for an ongoing drive to raise support to send the keyboard, other musical instruments and additional educational supplies to the country.

Albert Smith, Stockapella, Jacob James, and the Freedom Singers will perform during the night. All four acts feature Stockton students. The performances will be followed by speakers and presentations about Malawi. Professor Vaughn anticipates son of former University of Malawi President, Reverend Kwame Rubadiri, to speak at the event.

Donations to *Music for Malawi* should be made at the door in the form of educational supplies, musical instruments, or a monetary donation. Some form of identification is needed to enter the event for all those who will attend.

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^{*} Please see attached picture of Gladson Msendera.