

Gala Raises \$17,591 for RMCC Foundation (Blasberg and Thrailkill Endowments Completed)



Barbara Blasberg, Leita Boblitt (Barbara Blasberg's mother), Tawana Gilbert (member of RMCC Foundation)



Dr. Krystal Thrailkill, Danny Thrailkill and daughter Spencer

\$17,591 was raised on April 4 at the Rich Mountain Community College Foundation Gala through contributions, gifts-in-kind, and silent auction proceeds with 150 in attendance at annual event.

The Joseph William Blasberg Entrepreneurial Grant and the Thrailkill Family Endowed Grant were both recently completed and recognized at the Gala. Barbara Blasberg contributed \$41,217 to RMCC for the establishment of the Blasberg grant in memory of her late husband, Joe. The Blasberg grant was fully endowed within four months of the initial contribution to the College's Foundation. Contributions for the Thrailkill endowment began in 2006 and the \$25,000 gift was completed in 2009 before its scheduled completion date.

This year's Gala committee consisted of members of the RMCC Foundation including Amye Hebert (Chair), Ashley Vacca, Janie Childress, Karen Mosier, Kathi Miner, Tawana Gilbert, Deborah Fields, and Norma Rocha.