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Music Conservatory of Westchester's Tenth Annual Golf & Tennis Classic Tees-Off June 27th

Bedford Hills Residents Terry and Jerry Feldman to be Honored

Westchester County, NY (May 23, 2011) – The Music Conservatory of Westchester will hold its Tenth Annual Golf & Tennis Classic and Award Dinner on Monday, June 27, 2011 at the Whippoorwill Club in Armonk, NY. The event raises much-needed funds for the Conservatory's scholarships and for students with autism and other special needs in the school's Music Therapy Institute. Following the Classic, Bedford Hills residents Terry and Jerry Feldman will be honored for their outstanding service and dedication to the Conservatory, and to the entire Westchester region.

The Golf & Tennis Classic is the Conservatory's largest fundraising event. Proceeds raised at this event will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$75,000, by The Ernst C. Stiefel Foundation and used to provide tuition assistance for the Conservatory's low-income families. As a non-profit, the school must raise \$700,000 annually to support programs that are not covered by tuition alone.

Event honorees Terry and Jerry Feldman have been avid supporters of the Conservatory and invaluable advocates in the school's fundraising efforts since 1998. The couple have four children and two grandchildren. Terry joined the Conservatory's Board of Trustees in 1998 and currently serves as Secretary. She is also a member of the Golf & Tennis Classic Committee.

"The Conservatory is proud to honor Terry and Jerry Feldman for their extraordinary dedication in helping to make music education possible for so many deserving children in our community," said Carol Shiffman, Executive Director of the Music Conservatory of Westchester. "They are sterling examples of what we can all do to keep the arts alive in tough times as well as good ones."

Born and raised in Greeneville, Tennessee, Terry Feldman attended Salem College in Winston Salem, North Carolina, and graduated from the University of Tennessee. Following a year of graduate study abroad at the University of Geneva, Switzerland, Terry served as an aide to U.S. Senator Estes Kefauver. She studied acting with Uta Hagan at Berghoff Studios in New York and performed summer stock at Olney Theatre in Maryland. Terry was an assistant producer for several television shows on NBC and CBS. She also worked on five United Nations films for Telsun Foundation that aired on ABC. Prior board affiliations include Bard College, Simons Rock College, the Nature Conservancy, and Refugees International. Terry was also a founder and board member of the Westchester Land Trust.

Jerry Feldman is an attorney and the founder and CEO of Alpha-En, an emerging technology company engaged in the commercial manufacture of lithium metal. He is also Chairman of GSE Systems, Inc., a leading global provider of real-time simulation and training solutions to the power, process, manufacturing, and government sectors. In 1957, Jerry founded National Patent Development Corporation, which was devoted to searching out new inventions and assisting major corporations in licensing their technologies. Among the technologies he helped introduce were soft contact lenses and surgical staples. Jerry is Chairman of the New England Colleges Fund, a Trustee of Northern Westchester Hospital Foundation, and a minority owner of MXL Industries, Inc. He was previously Chairman of Five Star Products, Inc., a paint and hardware distributor, and a Director of Valera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

The Golf & Tennis Classic commences at 10:00 a.m. with registration and barbeque lunch (10:30 a.m.) followed by a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start for the golfers and a round-robin tennis tournament at 1:00 p.m. Awards

will be presented at 5:00 p.m. during the cocktail hour. Dinner and a live auction follow at 6:00 p.m. with a jazz performance by distinguished Conservatory faculty members Hiroshi Yamazaki (piano), Nick Mangini (drums), and musician Bill Crow (bass).

“We are very grateful to our community for their continued support,” Shiffman said. “Participating in and sponsoring the Golf & Tennis Classic are great ways to have fun while contributing to a worthy cause. Proceeds from this event will help area youth pursue their passion in the performing arts, regardless of financial means.”

Dinner tickets are \$150 per person or \$250 per couple. Golf prices range from \$650 (individual) to \$2,400 for a foursome. Tennis is \$350 (individual) or \$600 for doubles. The Conservatory is accepting sponsorships, journal advertisements, and participants for the Golf & Tennis Classic. For further information or to make a reservation, please contact Fatima Mendez at (914) 761-3900 ext. 110 or fatima@musiced.org. Reservations may also be made online at <http://mcw-golf-and-tennis.eventbrite.com>.

Current sponsors for the Golf & Tennis Classic are Entergy; Lasberg Construction Associates; Clarfeld Financial Advisors, Inc.; Stern Keiser & Panken, LLC; Greenfield Stein & Senior, LLC; GSE Systems, Inc; and Grand Prix NY. Committee members include Rodd Berro, Harry Bright, John and Patty Bottomley, Lisa Deutsch, George Drapeau, Jon Chattman, Chris Meyer, and Carol Shiffman.

The Music Conservatory of Westchester is located at 216 Central Avenue in White Plains, NY. They can be reached at (914) 761-3900 or by visiting www.musicconservatoryonline.org. Follow the Conservatory on Facebook (Westchester MusicConservatory) and Twitter (@MusicCW), or check their new blog (www.musicconservatoryblog.org) for the latest news and updates.

About the Music Conservatory of Westchester

The Music Conservatory of Westchester (www.musicconservatoryonline.org) is a non-profit community school of the arts, providing outstanding music, music therapy, and musical theatre programs for people of all ages and abilities (summer registration open now). The Conservatory’s 36,000-square-foot facility in White Plains offers a Recital Hall and 43 acoustically designed classrooms and teaching studios. Their comprehensive programs include performing ensembles, musicianship classes, music therapy, student performances, master classes, workshops, and more. All students receive free admission to the Conservatory’s annual “Live on Central” concert series of faculty recitals and children’s concerts. This year, the Conservatory awarded \$110,000 in scholarship support and tuition assistance to more than 115 of its students. The Conservatory is chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, a member of the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts, and is one of only 19 non-degree granting institutions in the country to be fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music.

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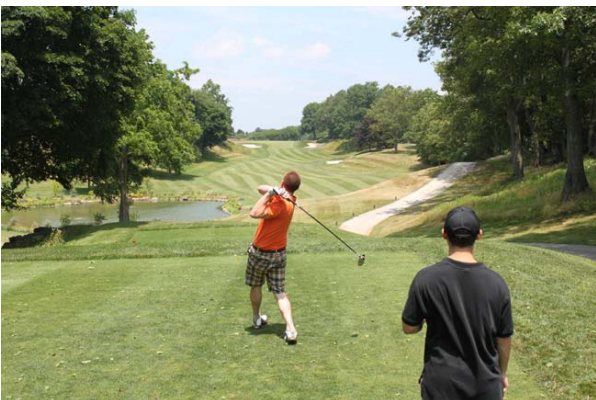
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Honorees Jerry (left) and Terry Feldman of Bedford Hills will be celebrated for their outstanding service and dedication to the Music Conservatory of Westchester and to the entire Westchester region.



Accomplished Music Conservatory of Westchester (MCW) pianist Hiroshi Yamazaki of Tarrytown will perform a jazz piece during the dinner and live auction following MCW's golf and tennis tournaments. The tournaments will take place at The Whippoorwill Club in Armonk, N.Y. Photo by: Jon Chattman



A golf competitor takes a swing during the Music Conservatory of Westchester's annual Golf & Tennis Classic. The event raises much-needed funds for the Conservatory's scholarships and for students with autism and other special needs in the school's Music Therapy Institute. Photo by: Jon Chattman