

COMMUNITY-MINDED COUPLE NAMED HONORARY BLACK TIE BLUE JEANS CHAIRS

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ATTACHED: Bill and Mary Underriner (Photo: Dave M. Shumway, RMC)

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BILLINGS – A couple whose public service is recognized for bettering the Billings and Yellowstone County community will be this year’s Black Tie Blue Jeans Honorary Chairs.

The staunch support Bill and Mary Underriner have given to Rocky Mountain College will be celebrated at its annual scholarship benefit, Friday, November 1, 2013.

“We’re honored and delighted to recognize a couple whose devoted service to Rocky Mountain College is exceptional, but who also represent extraordinary public service to the entire community,” said Dr. Robert Wilmouth, RMC president.

The couple will preside over the first Black Tie Blue Jeans event to be held on the RMC campus.

Married for 30 years, the Underriners have excelled professionally while donating time to United Way, St. Vincent Hospital Foundation, the Library Foundation, Zoo Montana, and American Cancer Society, to name a few. They are the parents of two sons, Blake and Kyle.

Bill, a native of Illinois, is president and owner of Underriner Motors, where he developed his career as sales and general manager when it was Selover Buick. Many of

the employees from the successful sales and service teams he put together during that period are still with Underriner Motors today.

Mary's career includes being a grain trader for Cargill, Inc., a director of member services for the Billings Area Chamber of Commerce, and director of the Leadership Billings and Youth Leadership Billings, under the auspices of the Billing Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mary, who was honored by the YWCA Salute to Women, has served on numerous boards of directors, including United Way of Yellowstone County, Rocky Mountain College, the Library Foundation, Family Support Network, American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Alberta Bair, King of Glory, and Junior League of Billings. She was chair for ACS Relay for Life, co-chair for United Way of Yellowstone County Campaign, co-chair for the capital campaign for the new Billings library, and co-chair for All-City Graduation Party Fundraising. She also served on the Scottish Rite Language Disorders Clinic fundraising committee, the School District 2 overcrowding committee, and the MSU B Wine Fest fundraising committee.

Bill managed to serve in many volunteer capacities while also serving the National Automobile Dealers Association as immediate past chairman and on the board of directors. He is a member of the Montana Automobile Association Board of Directors and the Honda Dealer Advisory Board. Bill served as chairman and board member of the Helena Branch of the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Board.

Bill's public service includes being a charter member and chairman of the Big Sky Alexis de Tocqueville Society of United Way, past president and board member of the United Way of Yellowstone County, and past chairman of Saint Vincent Hospital Foundation. He has also served as board member of the Yellowstone Art Museum, Zoo Montana, the American Cancer Society Western Region, and the National Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse.

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