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North Bend Educational & Cultural Association announces 2017 Spring Scholarship Auction Date

North Bend, WA – "Spring is coming, mark your calendars!" said Jill Massengill, President of the North Bend Educational and Cultural Association (NBECA). Saturday, March 25th is the date of this year's NBECA Spring Scholarship Auction, which will be held from 6-9pm at the Si View Community Center in North Bend.

This popular local event boasts food and entertainment accompanying a robust program of live and silent auction items in support of NBECA's scholarship program. Delicious food will be catered by students from the Mt. Si High School Culinary Arts program, local entertainment by the Mt Si High School Jazz Club, Valley vendors and fund raising for scholarships will be on the evenings play list. Tickets go on sale in February.

In 2016, two \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to Mount Si high school students who demonstrated service history to their community, at least a 2.0 grade point average and a plan to continue their education after graduation. A \$2,000 adult learner scholarship was also awarded to a Festival at Mt Si and Scholarship Auction volunteer who will continue to assist NBECA in its community work. NBECA is hard at work to increase the number of scholarships with proceeds from the Spring Auction.

NBECA was formed in 1999 to support community events that promote local business, to provide educational scholarships, and to bring people together in service and celebration. NBECA has been organizing the Festival at Mt Si for the past 15 years and last year launched its scholarship programs in fulfillment of its vision of working together for a strong, inclusive and healthy community.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend! For more information contact Michelle Meyer, Auction Coordinator at <u>michellemeyer.vp@gmail.com</u> or at 907-230-5617. To learn more about NBECA and its activities go to <u>www.festivalatmtsi.org</u>. Donations to NBECA's Community Scholarship may be mailed to PO Box 1170, North Bend, WA 98045