



FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026 • NCC SPARTAN CENTER

DEAR FRIENDS,

As Co-Chairs of the 17th annual NCC Food & Wine Gala, we are honored to invite you to join us in supporting one of the most meaningful and impactful events of the year in our Lehigh Valley—an evening that truly transforms lives.

Our Gala is more than a celebration. It is a cornerstone of NCC Foundation's student scholarship program, which has already raised over \$3.1 million thanks to the generosity of long-time partners and new friends alike. Last year, more than 420 guests came together in record numbers, making it our most successful Gala yet. Their support directly opened doors for students who might otherwise never have the opportunity to pursue higher education.

Every sponsorship, every dollar raised, represents more than financial assistance—it represents hope, opportunity, and the chance for students to create a better future. When we invest in students, we are investing in the strength, vitality, and future of our community. The ripple effect of your support extends far beyond campus, making our region stronger, more vibrant, and filled with possibility.

We are thrilled to announce that Master of Wine Chris Cree will return, and we're pleased to welcome Executive Corporate Chef Christopher Heath from Paxos Restaurants. Christopher will inspire the menu our guests will enjoy. And more culinary students will participate in the event, gaining hands-on industry experience. The evening's signature "mission moment" will also return with our vibrant live auction, followed by music and dancing. A perfect evening, with such great purpose.

We invite you to stand with us as a Gala sponsor this year. Your partnership ensures that our students not only have access to education but also the chance to succeed, graduate, and make their own impact in the world. Together, we can continue this powerful tradition of changing lives through education.

Please review the enclosed sponsorship opportunities and join us for this inspiring evening. We'd like to thank Wind Creek Bethlehem for their continued support as our Founding Partner Sponsor. Together with your support, we can reach even greater heights this year.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a lasting difference. We look forward to celebrating with you and recognizing the generosity of leaders like you who make all of this possible.

With gratitude,

Ashley Russo
Gala Co-Chair
ASR Media

Anthony Onorata
Gala Co-Chair
Anthony Limousine

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Chris Cree



Christopher Heath



FEATURING

Chris Cree, Master of Wine • Christopher Heath, Paxos Corporate Chef

2026 GALA FACTS

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With an enduring commitment to the regional community and a focus on student success, Northampton Community College (NCC) has developed a reputation as an institution of extraordinary distinction. NCC remains a constant beacon of hope and promise for our students, despite the challenges that have rocked our region and nation in the past few years. Our strength can be found in the support of so many including gala sponsors whose commitments to the college make a big difference in the lives of many and continue to transform lives, providing affordable access to a top-quality education, and life-changing opportunities.

The Food & Wine Gala has provided over **\$3.1 million** in scholarships since inception.

NCC Student Profile

70% worry about having enough money to pay for school

33% say they are food insecure

41% say they are housing insecure

61% live below the poverty line

50% are PELL eligible

98% of students and recent grads think NCC is a great place to start college and that NCC is a great value



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Your Support Directly Impacts Our Students In Many Ways; On Many Levels.



“Your support not only acknowledges the hard work I have already put in but also fuels my ambition to keep reaching for the sky. Thank you for believing in me and investing in my future. Your kindness does more than pay tuition—it inspires confidence, ambition, and a commitment to give back.”

—**Veronica Romano**
Beverly Weaver Nursing

“Making the future of people’s lives brighter is a huge reason I chose to become a Diagnostic Medical Sonographer, and this scholarship brings me one step closer to achieving that. Awarding students this scholarship shows how much NCC continues to help their students succeed. They provide so many valuable resources and opportunities for all. I cannot thank you enough for how much this means to me.”

—**Ethan Scethcen**
Sharon and Ron Yoshida

“I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the donors of this scholarship. Pursuing my degree, as a film major, has been a life-long dream of mine, and your scholarship has planted a seed that will forever grow throughout my future. A seed is never visible from a distance, but its harvest is always prevalent. This scholarship has boosted my journey to improve my film making skills and I hope to use this opportunity to further bring honor to Northampton Community College through my future endeavors.”

—**Gabrielle Mckingley**
Alumni Association

“Your generous contribution will enable me to focus on my studies and achieve my dream of becoming an x-ray technologist, without the financial burden. As a single mother, this help will make a tremendous difference in my daughter’s and my life. I am the mother to a smart nine-year-old who looks up to me and cannot wait to see her mother graduate college.”

—**Norris Rodriguez**
Gary S. Wogenrich Scholarship Endowment



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SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

GOURMET SPONSORSHIP

\$10,000 (\$7,500 Charitable Deduction)

Recognition as Gourmet Sponsor includes the following:

- 10 tickets to the Food & Wine Gala at NCC's Arthur L. Scott Spartan Center on Friday, May 29, 2026
- Name/logo featured in ads in the Morning Call, Lehigh Valley Style and Fig Lehigh Valley (deadlines permitting)
- Name/logo featured on digital billboards running June 1 – July 1
- Spotlight video (60 second) provided by sponsor to highlight in social media and on website June 1 – July 1.
- Sponsor provides spotlight editorial (300 words) to be used in social media and website
- Name/logo featured on event signage/bannering on site during dinner
- Inclusion in event news release and social media

PRESENTING SPONSORSHIP

\$7,500 (\$5,500 Charitable Deduction)

Recognition as Presenting Sponsor includes the following:

- 8 tickets to the Food & Wine Gala at NCC's Arthur L. Scott Spartan Center on Friday, May 29, 2026
- Name/logo featured in ads in the Morning Call, Lehigh Valley Style and Fig Lehigh Valley (deadlines permitting)
- Spotlight video (60 second) provided by sponsor to highlight in social media and on website June 1 – July 1.
- Sponsor provides spotlight editorial (300 words) to be used in social media and website
- Name/logo featured on event signage/bannering on site during reception
- Inclusion in event news release and social media

PREMIUM SPONSORSHIP

\$5,000 (\$3,500 Charitable Deduction)

Recognition as Premium Sponsor includes:

- 6 tickets to the Food & Wine Gala at NCC's Arthur L. Scott Spartan Center on Friday, May 29, 2026
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- Name/logo featured on event signage/bannering on site during reception
- Inclusion in event news release and social media

VINTAGE SPONSORSHIP

\$2,500 (\$1,500 Charitable Deduction)

Recognition as Vintage Sponsor includes:

- 4 tickets to the Food & Wine Gala at NCC's Arthur L. Scott Spartan Center on Friday, May 29, 2026
- Name/logo featured in ads in the Morning Call, Lehigh Valley Style and Fig Lehigh Valley (deadlines permitting)
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- Inclusion in event news release and social media

**REGISTER TODAY TO MAXIMIZE
YOUR SPONSORSHIP VISIBILITY!**





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SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Become a sponsor online at nccfoodandwine.org or send your completed form to NCC Foundation at 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA, 18020. Please indicate your level of sponsorship:

☐ **Gourmet - \$10,000**
(\$7,500 Charitable)

☐ **Premium - \$5,000**
(\$3,500 Charitable)

Form of payment:

☐ Enclosed is my check for \$_____
Payable to 'NCC Foundation'

☐ **Presenting - \$7,500**
(\$5,500 Charitable)

☐ **Vintage - \$2,500**
(\$1,500 Charitable)

☐ Please invoice me

Please charge my credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express

Credit card #: _____ Expiration date: ____ / ____ Security Code: _____

For processing purposes circle card type: ☐ CORPORATE ☐ OR ☐ PERSONAL

Name: _____ Company: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Questions? Email events@northampton.edu or call 610.861.5599.