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Thursday, June 23, 2005

Mr. Len McCullough
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Re: MacEwan's Mad Hatter's Gala

To Whom It May Concern:

As the event organizer for MacEwan's corporate and fund-raising events, it is my pleasure to offer this letter of support to the Sawmill Restaurant Group for the catering performance of the 20th Annual Mad Hatter's Gala.

The Mad Hatter's Gala, over the past three years, has been held in the gymnasium at the city centre campus of Grant MacEwan College. This venue is not equipped with catering facilities or a dedicated power source. The Sawmill staff, specifically John Saad, made a genuine effort to meet our every request. As a result of their dedication to overcome these difficulties, our 450 high-profile guests experienced exceptional and professional service.

The menu suggested by the chef indicated a great deal of thought and creativity in order to reflect our Mad Hatter's theme. Even the manner in which the table linens were folded, to represent the ears of the White Rabbit from *Alice in Wonderland*, added to the ambience of the evening.

The college would like to express our gratitude to the Sawmill Restaurant Group for their generosity and provision of auction items to help raise funds for MacEwan students. Their support to increase student access will enable us to meet the needs of our students and the community. We are happy to announce that we exceeded our goals and raised more than \$350,000 from the event to support scholarship, award, and bursary programs.

I appreciate the dedication of the Sawmill staff to ensure the success of our event and am pleased to recommend their catering services.

Sincerely,



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April 11, 2005

Mr. Tom Goodchild
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Dear Mr. ~~Goodchild~~,
Tom


Thank you for your generous donations to MacEwan's 20th annual Mad Hatters Gala on April 2nd. Once again, the success of this event surpassed our expectations, with revenues exceeding \$350,000.

As you may know, Grant MacEwan College has many exciting milestones looming on the horizon. From our new student residence, opening in September, to the potential of offering full undergraduate degrees, we continue to do everything we can to ensure Alberta students have access to quality post-secondary education.

Last year, MacEwan students received approximately \$2.7 million in funding through scholarship, bursary and award programs. With your generous support, students are given every opportunity to make the most of their post-secondary experience.

Thank you again for supporting our students and for allowing us to continue to respond to the educational needs of our community.

Yours truly,


Paul J. Byrne

*Tom Great Job by
the Saw Mill*

cc Mr. John Saad, General Manager and
Mr. Len McCullough, Director of Operations