



Pepperwood Preserve Receives Recognition

Dr. Robert F. Agrella, Superintendent/President of Santa Rosa Junior College, will provide his “State of the College” address and present the President’s Medallion award to Jane and Herb Dwight, Founders of the Pepperwood Foundation for the Pepperwood Preserve during the 17th Annual President’s Address to the Community on Thursday, May 28, 2009.

The Medallion is given in recognition of outstanding service and support profoundly enhancing Santa Rosa Junior College. The Dwight’s are being honored for their role in the partnership between the Pepperwood Preserve, a 3,117-acre nature preserve located at the southern end of California’s North Coast Ranges, and Santa Rosa Junior College.

The Pepperwood Foundation and Santa Rosa Junior College manage educational and public access to the Pepperwood Preserve cooperatively. The educational program consists of a wide variety of courses, workshops, and field trips. Subjects include natural history, botany, zoology, natural resource management, anthropology, and astronomy. These activities are offered through Santa Rosa Junior College academic departments, the Community Education Program of the college as well as other colleges, universities, K-12 schools and non-profit organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight established the Pepperwood Foundation in 2005 to acquire the Pepperwood Preserve from the California Academy of Sciences, which owned the preserve from 1979-2005. The foundation manages the property, a permanently protected wild land, to promote natural history education, research, and preservation.

Individual tickets for the President’s Address to the Community are \$40. Sponsorship tables starting at \$500 may also be reserved and provide preferred seating for eight, special acknowledgement at the luncheon, and a listing in the event program.

To make reservations, please contact the Foundation Office at (707) 527-4348 or email cstringer@santarosa.edu.