

WALL OF FAME

Banquet

Save the Date!

Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019

Jumer's Casino and Hotel | Rock Island, IL

6 p.m. Social Hour

7 p.m. Dinner & Program

Call 309-854-1718 to make your reservation today!

Discounted hotel rates also available by calling
800-477-7747 or 309-756-4600
by Friday, Aug. 23, 2019. Mention code: **CBHC**

"Donna has worked with my Sharon Camarillo Horsemanship and Barrel Racing Program for over 20 years. Each time we work together, I continue to be inspired by Donna's dedication, knowledge and passion, not only for the sport of barrel racing and horsemanship but also for the personal involvement she gives to each student. She has been and continues to be an amazing and valuable contribution not only to my program but also to the students and horsemen we have an opportunity to work with. It is our mutual goal to make a difference, "One Horse, One Rider at a Time." I hope you will join with friends of Donna to help propagate this opportunity by supporting the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship."

Sharon Camarillo, Owner
Sharon Camarillo Horsemanship and Barrel Racing

"I am humbled by this honor and most of all I am excited by the opportunity to continue to support Black Hawk College students with this scholarship!"

Donna Irvin, Professor Emerita
Black Hawk College



"The contributions Donna has made to the East Campus Equine Program and equestrian teams; her continued commitment to teaching young people; her passion exhibited through her showmanship and barrel racing; her development of future leaders in the equine industry; and her dedication to the equine industry as a whole are immeasurable."

Douglas E. Parrott, Chair
Black Hawk College East Foundation

"I have witnessed Donna evolve through her career at Black Hawk College into a great horsewoman, coach, role model and friend for her equine students. Her passion for the college community and overwhelming work ethic have left a lifelong impact on Black Hawk College. As a Black Hawk Alumnus, I think we all need to support this scholarship. What a special opportunity to honor all that Donna Irvin has and continues to offer!"

Jeff Greaves, Owner
Jeff Greaves Performance Horses

To contribute or pledge your support,
please contact

Liz Breedlove, Executive Director,
Black Hawk College East Foundation at
breedlove@bhc.edu or **309-854-1715**.

Your gift will make a huge difference
to equine students attending
Black Hawk College East Campus!

Wall of Fame

*Celebrating Donna Irvin,
a dedicated mentor
and coach!*



Donna's Story

It isn't often that a young girl growing up in the suburbs of Pennsylvania develops a lifelong passion for all things horse! But, that is exactly the path on which Donna Irvin found herself. The path would take her halfway across the country to a small community college in western Illinois.

But before she unpacked and began her 27-year career at Black Hawk College East Campus, Donna would make stops along the way. Her 4-H years were filled with judging, riding and showing horses. It was these experiences that led her to pursue agriculture economics at Penn State University as an undergrad and at the University of Delaware as a graduate student.

After graduate school, Donna joined Cargill as a grain merchant. She trained in Minneapolis then had assignments in Georgia, North Carolina and Delaware buying feed ingredients for the poultry division. It was an amazing experience, and her ability to perform her job well directly impacted the company's bottom line.

In 1989, Donna's path took a turn. She moved to Illinois and learned of an opening for an instructor at Black Hawk College in the equestrian science program. She interviewed for, as she described it, her "dream job." The dream came true and in 1990, Donna joined the college as a full-time faculty member. But there was a catch – if she wanted to keep the job, she had to grow the program.

Donna and Jon Wolf, her fellow faculty member and now professor emeritus, started that year with seven students, 30 stalls and a very steep hill in front of them. Their hard work over countless hours and many years paid off. Enrollment grew, the facilities were expanded three times, and a third faculty position was added.

In 1998, the college joined the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association and Donna started a BHC team. It eventually grew to 55 students with 16 Regional Championships, three Semifinal Championships, and more than 25 National and Reserve National riders. Donna and her fellow faculty members changed the lives of hundreds of students over the years, and the trophies that remain in the trophy case are a testament to her success.

Donna's contributions and legacy extend far beyond the trophy case. She has been a tireless volunteer to make the college, the community and the industry better. She served as the East Campus Faculty Senate president for 2 years and worked to raise funds for the Ag Arena Capital Campaign as well as the Boot Scootin' Barn Dance and BBQ, an event that raised money for equine student scholarships. Along with her colleagues, she grew the equine program from seven to 60 students and, with the most recent facility expansion, from 30 to 100 horse stalls.

Since 2005, Donna has been a co-instructor with the Sharon Camarillo Barrel Racing & Horsemanship Clinics, traveling internationally to teach young people and share her love of horses. She is an American Quarter Horse Association Professional Horseman, a trainer specialized in preparing riders to enter their horse in competitions. Donna has been member of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association since 2004, and served on the Board of Directors from 2010-2012.

In addition to her long and storied career at Black Hawk College, Donna is a successful competitor. She is a five-time qualifier of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) Great Lakes Circuit and a Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association (PRCA) National Circuit Champion Qualifier. She finished Top 4 at the All-American Quarter Horse Congress in 2003 and earned a superior in barrel racing in 2007.

Donna was recognized by her fellow faculty members, the Board of Trustees and Black Hawk College for her 27 years of service and contributions to the equine industry when she retired in 2017 and was honored with the rank of professor emerita.

Donna has had a truly impressive career. But it speaks to her amazing character that what she found most rewarding was "mentoring and coaching students to develop their passion into a rewarding career and lifestyle. It is a delight to be a role model and mentor to those looking for a direction in life."

Donna touched the lives of Black Hawk students from across the country and helped make Black Hawk College East Campus a household name in the equine industry. She will continue to do both through the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship. As she follows yet another path in her life, Donna shares this advice: "Ride on!"

DONNA IRVIN EQUINE SCHOLARSHIP

The Wall of Fame Committee has set a goal of \$50,000 for the endowed Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship, which will generate \$2,000 to \$3,000 in student scholarships annually to equine students attending the East Campus. We are offering six sponsorship levels to individuals, businesses and organizations to assist in this endeavor.

Sponsorship pledges can be made over one, three and five years, and all gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Feel free to use this opportunity to contribute individually, as a business, alumni class, team or as a family unit.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Diamond	\$25,000+ <i>10 complimentary registrations to banquet (table)</i>
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Bronze	\$1,000 <i>2 complimentary registrations to banquet (table)</i>
Friend	Less than \$1,000

All levels will include the individual/business name in the 2019 Wall of Fame Event Program. The Diamond, Platinum and Gold Sponsors will also receive a business and/or congratulatory ad in the event program, and will be listed as Lead Sponsors for the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship in all publicity.

Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship Fund



*Formal induction of Professor Emerita
Donna Irvin into the 2019 Wall of Fame and
establishment of the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship.*

YES, I am interested in sponsoring the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship:

\$25,000 DIAMOND

Includes Sponsorship Table with 10 Wall of Fame banquet registrations; name in Wall of Fame publicity and event program as DIAMOND SPONSOR of the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship; Full-page business and/or congratulatory Ad in event program; and engraved plaque.

\$10,000 PLATINUM

Includes Sponsorship Table with 10 Wall of Fame banquet registrations; name in Wall of Fame publicity and event program as PLATINUM SPONSOR of the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship; Full-page business and/or congratulatory Ad in event program; and engraved plaque.

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\$2,500 SILVER

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\$1,000 BRONZE

Includes two (2) Wall of Fame banquet registrations; name in Wall of Fame Event Program as BRONZE SPONSOR of the Donna Irvin Equine Scholarship; and certificate.

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2019 Wall of Fame

Saturday, Sept. 7
Jumer's Casino & Hotel



YES, I would like to attend the Wall of Fame Banquet & Ceremony inducting Professor Emerita Donna Irvin:

_____ # of registrations at \$35 each (prior to Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019)
(Includes dinner and program)

** In addition to any complimentary registrations*

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** In addition to any complimentary registrations*

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All gifts are tax-deductible (less \$35 Fair Market Value (FMV) per banquet registration) as allowed by law.

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Black Hawk College East Foundation

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Thank you for your generous support!