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NORTHWEST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP DOLLARS FROM VALLEY PULLERS, INC.

The Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation in Sheldon, Iowa, is the recipient of half of the proceeds from the Calcutta auction during the annual Thunder in the Valley event, held in Rock Valley, Iowa.

Northwest Iowa Community College received a check for \$4,750 from the organization at the annual Thunder in the Valley event, held on July 7-July 8, 2017. The proceeds will be awarded to three students who will be attending Northwest Iowa Community College this fall in one of the following programs: Diesel Technology, Light Duty Diesel Technology, Automotive Service, Heavy Equipment Operation and Maintenance, Engineering Design, Design Technology or Production Welding. More scholarships will be awarded annually, as proceeds from future auctions at Thunder in the Valley will also be given to this scholarship fund.

Rich Rozeboom, President & Promotion Director for the Valley Pullers, Inc. says, "The Valley Pullers, Inc. firmly believes in the quality of education that Northwest Iowa Community College provides, specifically in the diesel, automotive, heavy equipment and manufacturing trades. When it came time to look for a non-profit to give part of our proceeds from the Calcutta auction to, NCC was an obvious choice."

NCC's involvement in Thunder in the Valley goes beyond receiving scholarship dollars. NCC's Heavy Equipment Operation and Maintenance students assist in track and ground preparation and are there throughout the event to maintain the track for ideal pulling conditions.

"The work done by NCC's Heavy Equipment students is invaluable to our event. Their involvement is a win-win. It helps us with the prep work and it gives them real-world practice with dirt-moving," states Rozeboom.

The first recipients of the Valley Pullers Scholarship will be selected in the upcoming days.

For more information or to donate to the Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation, please call 800-352-4907.

Picture: (L-R) Roger Solberg, Heavy Equipment Operation and Maintenance Instructor at NCC; Kristi Landis, Foundation Coordinator at NCC; Wade Gort, Member of the NCC Foundation Board; Rich Rozeboom, member of the Valley Pullers, Inc.