An anticipated highlight of the Parents’ Advisory Committee meeting each spring will be a Friday night Scholars Banquet.

The event is an opportunity for committee members to recognize that year’s scholarship recipients.

We invite you to join us for this memorable inaugural event in spring 2015.

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The Parents' Advisory Committee Giving Circle is a new effort designed to develop funding for selected students at South Dakota State University, according to guidelines articulated by the Parents' Advisory Committee.

The Giving Circle was conceived by members of the 2013-2014 Parents' Advisory Committee, and is open exclusively to those parents who are members or who have participated as members of the committee in the past.

The Giving Circle targets incoming full-time freshman, and additionally sophomore, junior and senior students who have financial need in excess of $1,000 of their expected family contribution.

Any amount raised above the $10,000 annual goal will go toward the creation of an auxiliary endowment, from which an additional $1,000 scholarship would be awarded once a $25,000 endowment is achieved.

**First-year, full-time students:** Four scholarships of $1,000 each will be awarded to recipients identified and selected by Admissions Office staff. In any annual fundraising cycle, the first $4,000 in gifts goes to first-year students.

**Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors:** Six "Gap Filler" scholarships of $1,000 each will be awarded to recipients identified and selected by SDSU staff. Qualified recipients will be students who are performing well academically, but lack the financial resources to make the expected family contribution. The "Gap Filler" could make the difference whether such students are able to continue working toward a degree. In any annual fundraising cycle, the first $4,000 in gifts goes to first-year students.

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