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DOUGLAS EDUCATION CENTER AND TOM SAVINI
REUNITED WITH “EXTREME MAKEOVER: HOME EDITION” FAMILY

MONESSEN, PA., May 6, 2010 – In 2008, Douglas Education Center (DEC) jumped at the opportunity to be involved in one of today’s top television shows: “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition” and to change the lives of the Drumm family forever.

One of the sons in the family, Donnie, is a huge special make-up effects and Tom Savini fan. Savini, along with students, teachers, and staff at DEC experienced the chance of a lifetime helping with the concept of Donnie’s room, applying zombie make-up on one of the show’s designers (Pauly) when he visited the school, and even traveling three hours to the build site to do hands-on volunteer work.

Because Donnie has such a passion for special make-up effects and Savini, DEC offered the Drumm family an invitation to visit DEC any time they wanted. The Drumm family took the school up on its offer.

On May 3, 2010, the Drumm family drove three hours to Monessen, PA to visit Douglas Education Center. The family was taken on a tour of DEC, enjoyed lunch with Savini and president Jeffrey D. Imbrescia, and spent the afternoon with Savini touring the make-up effects building. Donnie and his family watched students work on their projects, viewed photographs of past student work, met with instructors, and saw a live make-up effects demo. DEC also gave Donnie supplies to replenish his kit that was provided to him at the “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition” reveal.

Mathew, father of the Drumm family said, “The students at Tom Savini’s Special Make-Up Effects Program get to learn from the best in the business, someone who has worked on both sides of the camera. The passion that Tom and his staff have for their work and teaching is evident wherever you go at DEC, and anyone who is interested in this line of work should make the Savini Program their first choice.”

In two years Donnie will be ready to embark on the next adventure in his life. He plans to attend Tom Savini’s Special Make-Up Effects Program at Douglas Education Center.

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ABOUT DOUGLAS EDUCATION CENTER
Established in 1904, Douglas Education Center (DEC) is the premier creative career institution located in Monessen, PA. DEC creates an educational atmosphere that not only fosters the highest standards of excellence in all students, but also helps these students develop an awareness of social responsibility and ethical behavior. DEC offers programs in special make-up effects, digital film, illustration, graphic design, cosmetology, medical and business. DEC instructors are industry professionals who have actual working knowledge and experience in the programs in which they teach.