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Community Foundation Celebrates 25 Years

The Putnam County Community Foundation celebrated its 25th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, October 2nd. The Community Foundation Board and Therese Cunningham State Farm Insurance, as event sponsor, entertained the 210 community members in attendance. The celebration included a \$100,000 grant presentation and the first-ever Corinthian Society induction.

At 9:30 AM, nearly 70 people enjoyed “The Silver Odyssey,” a tour of one of four regions of Putnam County. Darrell Wiatt, Rodger Winger, June Brattain, and John Nees were tour guides on the buses donated by Rural Transit. Participants learned about the Community Foundation’s impact in that area and the county’s rich history. At the end of the tour four people won prizes for achieving high scores on the bus tour quizzes.

Then, at 5:00 PM, the 210 dinner guests enjoyed the Randy Salman Jazz Trio sponsored by Duke Energy and signature drinks at the 25th Anniversary Cocktail Reception. At 6:00 PM, guests delighted in an exquisite meal and lavish dessert by The Inn at DePauw in the midst of beautiful flowers, silver and crystal decorations. The 25th Anniversary program included several highlights, including the public announcement of the Community Foundation’s \$100,000 Envision 2011 grant and the inaugural Corinthian Society Award (see other articles). Legacy Society and Silver Anniversary League donors were also honored and recognized.

Dinner Table Sponsors included State Representative Nancy Michael, Therese Cunningham State Farm Insurance, Wabash Capital, Ivy Tech Foundation, DePauw University, First National Bank, Old National Bank, Tri-County Bank and Trust, Jeff and Denise Sigworth, Steve Aker and Vicki Timm, Anthony and Karen Heavin, John Zeiner, Don and Linda Ruark, and Jinsie Bingham.

Finally, just after 8:00 PM guests enjoyed the After-Party in the Galleria sponsored by Cindy Mattox and Bank of America Home Loans. The party included a disc jockey from Chameleon Entertainment and more food and drink. The entire day was historic for the Community Foundation and the greater community.

To learn more about how you can support the community and leave a legacy through Putnam County Community Foundation, contact Eric Wolfe at 765-653-4978.

The Community Foundation was established in 1985 and administers more than 210 funds and endowments for donors, supporting a variety of charitable purposes.

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