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Dates to Remember

October 12th - deadline for purchasing "Denim & Diamonds" Dinner Tour Tickets

October 24th - "Denim & Diamonds" Dinner Tour, 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

December 15th - Scholarship applications available at www.mccf-in.org

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Thank you!

All Aboard for "Denim & Diamonds" Dinner Tour

by Cheryl Keim

October 2009

Saturday, October 24th at 4:00 p.m. we invite you to join us as we gather at the Montgomery County Boys and Girls Club for a welcome and hor d'oeuvres before boarding motor coaches, generously provided by Waveland Charter, for a tour of some great local "gems."

MCCF has funded many, many wonderful agencies over the years, and this tour will highlight just a few of them. We'd love to show you all of them, but you'd have to pack a bag and take off work for a week or more! The ones we've chosen to stop at (and we'll point out others along the way) are Camp Rotary, the Coal Creek Fire Department, the Old Jail Museum's new Steam Plant Art Center, Mountie Mission and finally we'll stop at the historic Old Normal School in Ladoga for dinner.

Dinner is being prepared by Bon Appetit and includes a cash bar. Dinner entertainment is a real treat as well - classical music on piano and violin by Cheryl Everett and Alfred Abel.

More fun is in store for you when you don your jeans (denim), and your ticket to the event the "diamonds" t-shirt. These one-of-a-kind, specially designed t-shirts (his and her versions) are sure to be on this year's must-have list for local fashionistas and "feel-better-in-flannels". How you dress it up, or dress it down is up to you. Whether you are a bedazzler or a rough cut, you won't be disappointed.

Besides fun... this event is also raising funds for the operation of MCCF, as challenged by one of our primary benefactors, the Lilly Foundation. To that end, we have rallied some great sponsors and set the ticket price at \$100.00 (with \$60.00 qualifying as a charitable donation) to maximize our fund-raising ability.

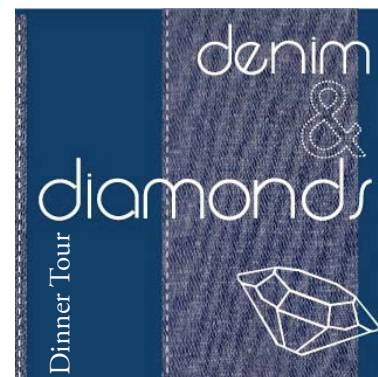
Sponsors have supported us at various levels. At the Platinum Medal level with gifts of \$1,000.00 or more we are pleased to have

the support of Waveland Charter, Nucor and Capital Cities.

At the Gold Medal level, \$500.00 or more, we are honored to have the support of Let's Go! Travel & Tours and St. Clare Medical Center. Providing at least \$250.00, at the Silver Medal Level are Huth Thompson Certified Public Accountants and Teachers Credit Union. Our Bronze Medal sponsors have contributed \$100.00 or more and include Harmon Communications, Tri County Bank & Trust and Brian Keim's Lawn Service. Allison Klein of allie marie design's has assisted with the event art work, both printed materials and the t-shirts. Each gift is very important to the overall success of the event and we hope that you will share your appreciation with our sponsors when you see them.

Creek Jewelers have donated a diamond pendant that one lucky guest will win as the door prize! Many other businesses and individuals are supporting the event through donations for the Silent Auction, a list of which can be found on the website, www.denimanddiamonds-mccf.com. Take a look before you come - you may want to start your holiday shopping!

To ensure a seat... and a shirt, please purchase your tickets by Monday, October 12. For order forms, visit our website or call us!



A New and Improved www.mccf-in.org

Our website has a new look and many new features we think you will both appreciate and enjoy! Memorial and Honorary Gifts are now listed monthly. A new page for Community Leaders is found under the "Giving" tab where you can view Volunteer of the Year information as well as a page for Celebration Dinner honorees with links to their individual citations.

A new section, Professional Advisors, contains a new Professional Advisors Handbook with adobe files that can be downloaded for clients and other information helpful in gift planning. There is now a "Funds" link that includes information about our existing funds and their purposes as well as information about how to start a fund. Another page is devoted to scholarships, applications, due dates, updates from past scholars and more. This work was very well done in-house by Administrative Assistant, Paula Reed, avoiding costly design fees.

Christian Nursing Service Provides Essential Health Care

CNS Among Twenty-two Agencies to Receive MCCF Grants in 2009

Christian Nursing Service (CNS), now in its 43rd year of service to Montgomery County residents, was one of twenty-two agencies to receive grants this month. CNS, located at 802 S. Mill Street in the Milligan Presbyterian Church in Crawfordsville, operates an Adult Health Clinic on Wednesdays from 9-11 a.m. and a Well-Baby Clinic on Thursdays from 9-11 a.m. In addition they operate a Clothing Closet and Telecheck Program and provide delivery for Meals on Wheels.

The recession has resulted in an increase in the number of requests for assistance with medical expenses, including pharmaceuticals, physician's visits, vision and dental care. The H1N1 Influenza places even more drain on resources. The \$14,000.00 award to CNS will help cover some of the traditional needs and as well as needs associated with providing vaccinations for the H1N1 flu.

CNS President, Chris Amidon, RN, says "they have partnered closely with the Montgomery County Health Department for many years. The county health nurse, Rebecca Lang, gives immunizations every week at our Well Baby Clinic, and our nurse-manager, Michele Thompson, assists Rebecca with some disease investigations and on projects such as this year's flu campaign, which is going to require exceptional effort to carry out." According to Amidon, CNS will be following guidelines established by the CDC (Center for Disease Control) and the Indiana State Department of Health with regards to vaccines for both strains of the flu.

The Seasonal Flu Vaccine is recommended for the following Individuals:

- Children 6 months – 19 years old
- Pregnant Women
- People over 50 years old
- People with health conditions such as asthma or other lung disease, immune disorders, or heart conditions.
- Health care workers

The H1N1 Influenza Vaccine is recommended for these individuals:

- Pregnant Women
- Parents and caregivers of children less than 6 months old
- Children and young people 6 months – 24 years old
- Health care workers
- People 25-64 years old who have chronic health conditions

Further, she adds, "the government has issued a "tiered" approach to ensure these people can receive the new vaccine first, and then others can be immunized. CNS will work with the Health Department to hold H1N1 mass immunization clinics for county residents and our volunteer corps will be useful in helping our small health department."

Both the seasonal and H1N1 flu vaccines will be available in two forms: a nasal mist spray, which is available for healthy people 2 – 49 years of age and the tradition flu shot. Chris states that "In addition to purchasing vaccine for parents of young children with the grant from the MCCF, CNS will also be able to purchase equipment we need to hold flu clinics, such as gloves, protective masks for our clinic patients and volunteers who may be exposed to people sick with the flu."

This MCCF award was made possible by The Drs. Paul and Mary Ludwig Fund and The Faye O. and Anna Winter Schenck Fund. Dr. Mary Ludwig, pediatrician and fund owner with her husband Dr. Paul Ludwig, was the founder of the Well Baby Clinic, a part of the Christian Nursing Service which opened in September, 1968. The inspiration for the clinic, Mary says, was the desire of Rev. Chris Hotopp, to address the health care needs of the children living in the neighborhood surrounding the church known as the "Goose Nibble". The clinic remains in the same location today as it continues to serve children and adults county-wide. Besides the Ludwig and Schenck Funds, CNS has received \$566,650.00 from the CNS Fund (its

agency fund) and eight others since 1994. The phone number at the clinic is 765-362-3244.

Twenty-one other agencies received grants this round as well. They include Carnegie Museum, Community Chorus, Crawfordsville Art League, habitat for Humanity, HUB Ministries, Park and Recreation Department, Red Cross, Women's Resource Center, A.H.E.A.D. Coalition, Animal Welfare League, Boys and Girls Club, Educational Foundation, Family Crisis Shelter, General Lew Wallace Study and Museum, Montgomery County Historical Society, Linden-Madison Township Historical Society, Montgomery United Fund for You, South Montgomery School Corporation, Sugar Creek Players, Sunshine Vans and Youth Service Bureau. For more information about each award, visit www.mccf-in.org.



Chris Amidon, President of Christian Nursing Service, accepts their grant of \$14,000.00 funded by the Schenck and Ludwig Funds.



Our mission is to build bridges to support the future of Montgomery County.

The Inside Scoop



Allie Klein, daughter of MCCF board member Anita Klein, created the art work for our Denim & Diamonds Dinner Tour. She is a twenty-four year old graphic designer/aspiring fashion designer working living in New York City. Born in Charlottesville, Virginia, she spent her middle school and high school years in

Crawfordsville before attending Indiana University Bloomington. She grew up drawing and sketching from a young age, and took an interest in Graphic Design after taking a Computer Graphics class at CHS. After graduating with a bachelor's in Studio Art/Graphic design, she moved right to New York City to pursue her dream of designing and living in the Big Apple.

When she's not working on developing and generating packaging artwork for children's and junior's accessories, she spends her time working on independent projects, traveling, and exploring her new home on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. She plans to continue to work in fashion, combining her skills in art with her love of the industry.

Planned Giving

There are many ways to approach planned giving and a bequest is just one of them.

SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

"I give, devise and bequeath [the sum of/percentage of/residue of my estate] to Montgomery County Community Foundation, a not-for-profit corporation in Crawfordsville, Indiana to be used for its general charitable purposes."

For more information about bequests or other methods of making a planned gift, visit our website at www.mccf-in.org. Under the "Resources" tab, click "Indiana Giving," then "More Planned Giving Feature." From there, there are many choices including a tool to "Create Your Own Plan." Please call us for assistance.

MCCF TRIVIA

On the Dinner Tour, one of the agencies we will visit nominated the 2009 Volunteer of the Year. Which agency and who was the volunteer?

Answer: The agency is Mountie Mission and the volunteer was Diane Cross, founder of the agency.



Addressing the Needs of Women and Children

The Women's Legacy Fund was created through the Montgomery County Community Foundation as a way for women to participate in philanthropy and to become personally involved in area of need for women and children in our community. Each member makes an annual contribution of \$300.00. Two-thirds is granted to a non-profit agency for an innovative project directly impacting women and or children. The remainder goes into an endowment, ensuring resources for the future.

This year, the effort is "GED Transition to Higher Education". The grant was awarded to CARA (Crawfordsville Adult Resource Academy) and Ivy Tech who have collaborated to develop a 12-week curriculum for women in the community who have completed their GED coursework and are now ready to seek further education or employment. Classes focus on career choices, time management, life transitions, budgeting money, personal discipline and more. The goal is to help these women become successful in college and in life.

As they educate and inspire women to identify and fund innovative approaches that address community issues affecting women and their children, WLF invites new members to join them as they begin year three. The issue of concern for 2010 is the emotional health and welfare of young girls. The membership will study and seek proposals which address these concerns and then make an award to the one they feel best tackles the issue.

For more information:

- Visit www.mccf-in.org
- Contact Kitty Haffner at khaffner@wico.net or 765-866-1640
- Contact MCCF Executive Director, Ann Malott at 765-362-1267 or ann@mccf-in.org

Our Mission: Joining women together to impact our community positively.

Board Spotlight Shines on: Anne Dantzig



MCCF is fortunate to have men and women in our community who are willing to share their time and talents serving on our Board of Directors. Our Board members are loyal to our mission and supportive of our goals and objectives and we are so grateful for their

diligence. Because of their vital role at the Foundation, we'd like to give you a closer look at our Board by profiling one member in each of our newsletters. In this edition our Board spotlight shines on **Dr. Anne Dantzig**.

Anne and her husband, Jon, moved to Montgomery County twenty-seven years ago to make the most of their job opportunities. They made the decision to settle in Crawfordsville as it was the half way point between their two employers. Anne is a scientist and employed by Eli Lilly and Company and her husband was a professor at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign until his recent retirement. Anne's career is very rewarding to her as she is involved with the initial identification of new cancer drugs and aids in their development in early clinical trial testing.

Anne continues to enjoy serving on the Board of MCCF because she believes in our mission of providing support to so many people and organizations. She feels that one of the strengths of the Foundation is its broad impact, spanning from education to arts and culture as well as a vast array of human services and community development. Anne likes that we are able to carry out the wishes of our donors, especially those whose legacy continues to touch the lives of residents today.

Anne's opinion harmonizes with that of other Board members who feel that the greatest asset of Montgomery County is its residents. She has witnessed the care and concern our community demonstrates for one another and admires the fact that our citizens are resourceful and willing to voluntarily support so many causes.

Besides her husband, Anne's family includes their daughter, Erika, who lives in New York City. Anne loves to travel, enjoys swimming and recently started yoga. She also has a love of art that was instilled by her mother who was an artist. We appreciate Anne and are delighted that she is on "board" with MCCF!

by Paula Reed

L. Ann Malott
Executive Director



While I am always aware of the rewarding work of MCCF, today was just one of those days that I find particularly gratifying. I just returned from our 2009 Grant Awards presentation in which twenty-two of our nonprofit agencies were the recipients of an exciting \$231,688 in total grant money. It doesn't get much better than witnessing firsthand the wishes of our donors brought to fruition through grant and scholarship distributions!

It was an impressive gathering at the Vanity Theatre this morning and I was delighted to see representatives from such a vast array of agencies. Grant awards were given to help preserve pieces of our rich history because some of our local museums need restorative

work. There were grants awarded to enhance our arts and culture, grants that will help sustain vital health and human services and grants that will further educational opportunities in our schools. I continue to marvel at the wide range of support MCCF is able to offer because of our donors.

You could sense the camaraderie among the grant recipients when they expressed goodwill to one another as each received their award. While these respective agencies are separate and distinct, there are common threads of dedication, passion and vision woven through those who work so hard to support them. Everyone was deeply grateful and appreciated the fact that we were able to distribute grants during these uncertain times. The Board, staff and committee members were just as pleased to award these grants and see the charitable goals of our donors accomplished.

The grant awards are always a big story and deservedly so. However, it is the little stories within that bigger story that stirs the soul and touches our hearts. It is

the elderly person who is able to remain independent because of the service provided by the Sunshine Vans and it is the young mother who breathes a little easier knowing her baby received necessary vaccinations from the Christian Nursing Service. It is also about the father who is able to keep his family warm one more night through emergency assistance from HUB Ministries and it is found in the joy one young person experiences when mentored by a caring adult through JUMP at the Youth Service Bureau.

I think that everyone left there today feeling better about meeting the growing needs in our community. I know I did. I also know none of this would be possible without the generosity of our donors and their continued support.



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