

## Carol and Charles Rini, Sr. Honored for Philanthropy



In a spirit of appreciation and celebration, Community West Foundation recognized the generosity of our very special donors at the 11th annual Legacy Society Dinner on October 6th. Members of the Legacy Society are among the Foundation's closest partners and friends that support the work of the Foundation through major and planned gifts.

At the heart of the celebration was the presentation of the 2011 Art of Caring Award, the Foundation's highest honor, bestowed on Carol and Charles Rini, Sr., well known philanthropists and community leaders.

David Dombrowiak, Foundation President and CEO, offered tribute to the Rinis and quoted Michelangelo, Italian sculptor, architect, painter and poet, "Every beauty which is seen here by persons of perception, resembles more than anything else that celestial source from which we all come." Mr. Dombrowiak added that, "It is in this spirit that we celebrate the spark of the divine, the Light of the Creator that radiates within all of us, but especially within Carol and Chuck."

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# Rinis Honored

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The stunning award was designed especially for the couple by Artist Eóin Breadon. Etched in the award was a cornucopia, a time-honored symbol of the harvest, abundance, and nourishment. David Dombrowiak said, "The cornucopia is a perfect symbol of the admiration that we have for Carol and Chuck Rini, whose friendship, generosity, and bounty have blessed our community for many years."

The Rinis' love of community expresses itself through their deeds. Together, they have nurtured values of service and extraordinary generosity. The number of organizations the Rinis have served together and individually, and the lives they have touched, is inspiring.

Charles Rini has provided outstanding leadership as a member of the Community West Foundation Board. He serves on the Executive and Grants Committees and is the Chair of the Marketing Committee. His marketing savvy and expertise played a central role in helping to advance the name and reputation of Community West Foundation. In addition, Mr. Rini serves on the Boards of the Cleveland Clinic Health System Western Region, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, and has served on the Boards of John Carroll University, Magnificat High School, St. Ignatius



Carol and Charles Rini, Sr. were joined by family members as they were honored with the 2011 Art of Caring Award.

High School, and both Rini and Giant Eagle Supermarkets.

Carol Rini serves on the Boards of North Coast Health Ministry and St. Augustine Health Campus, is an Honorary Member of Cleveland Central Catholic High School Advisory Board, where she previously served as president, and is a former Jesuit Retreat House Board member. She skillfully balances her involvement with local charities, including West Side Catholic Center, Womankind, Villa Montessori Center and many others, with her busy life as a wife, mother to their six children, and grandmother to their fifteen grandchildren.

As a couple, the Rinis have frequently been recognized for their civic and philanthropic endeavors.

Philanthropy is a specialty of the Rini Family. The Rini name is also recognized for the remarkable history with Fairview Hospital. Of special note, transformational gifts to Fairview Hospital in the names of Martin Rini, Anthony Rini, and Michael Rini, as well as the Rini Family, were instrumental in making the health system what it is today. The Rini Cardiac Diagnostic Center and the Grace Rini Emergency Care Facility are part of their legacy. The Rinis' commitment to the community continues today and is carried forward by the positive contributions made by Carol and Charles Rini, the recipients of the Art of Caring Award.

Congratulations, Carol and Charles, on this recognition of your philanthropic spirit.



Dr. Ted Castele serves as the Foundation's Chair Emeritus and Official Spokesman. Dr. Ted and his wife, Jean, were the 2007 Art of Caring Award recipients.

Jack Filak and his wife, Carol Webb Filak join her brother, Warren (Hap) Farr and his wife Mary. The Farr Family received the Art of Caring Award recognition in 2001.



It was more than a good evening. It was a great one!

## Carol and Charles Rini, Sr. join an elite group of past award winners

- 2010** – Linda Gross Brown
- 2009** – Sharon and Harry A. Zilli, Jr.
- 2008** – Lorraine and Robert Warren, Sr.
- 2007** – Dr. Ted and Jean Castele
- 2006** – Betty and John Kemper, Sr.
- 2005** – Fairview Hospital Medical Staff
- 2004** – Barbara Jacobs
- 2003** – Ronald and Elaine Phillips
- 2002** – Jack and Jean Dannemiller
- 2001** – The Farr Family  
Warren Farr, Jr.,  
Carol Webb Filak,  
Victor Farr  
The Joan K. Farr Memorial Fund



Harry A. Zilli, Jr. and Sharon Zilli, the 2009 Art of Caring honorees.



Linda and Roger Stewart with Linda's mom, Lorraine Warren. In 2008, Lorraine and her husband, Robert Warren, Sr. received the Art of Caring Award.

## Legacy Society Dinner Brought Together Our Special Donors!

We welcomed new Legacy Members inducted this year, Carol and Charles Rini, Sr., Tom and Ruth Hitchcock, and David and Martha Hessler. The new members that were unable to attend the festivities included Rob and Lynne Capretto, Dr. Mary LaPlante, and Dr. Saroj Mahalaha.



David Hessler receives his Legacy Society pin. Mrs. Martha Hessler was unable to attend.



Ruth and Tom Hitchcock.



David T. Dombrowiak, President and CEO, Community West Foundation, Carol and Charles Rini, Sr. and David J. Hessler, Chair of the Board, Community West Foundation.

## Legacy Society Members

- Mr. and Mrs. William W. Baker
- Dr. Thomas and Mrs. Pamela E. Bobst
- Mrs. Linda G. Brown
- Mr. and Mrs. Rob Capretto
- Dr. and Mrs. Theodore J. Castele
- Mrs. Susen Chadwick
- Dennis A. and Paula J. Conrad
- Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dannemiller
- Fred and Nora DeGrandis
- Mr. Frank A. DeMarco, Jr.
- Mr. and Mrs. David T. Dombrowiak
- Mr. and Mrs. Hap Farr, Jr.
- Mr. Victor K. Farr
- Dr. J. Peter and Carol H. Fegen
- Mrs. Carol Webb Filak
- Mrs. Alayne J. Fodor
- Susan Landau Golden
- Gary M. Grose, M.D.
- Mrs. Erna L. Guia
- Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hagen
- Christopher B.H. Harrington  
and Stephanie W. Harrington
- E. Robert Hawken, Jr.  
and Marilyn J. Hawken
- Mr. and Mrs. David J. Hessler
- Charles N. Hirsch
- Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hitchcock
- Ms. Stephanie A. Humphrey
- Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Hunziker
- Henry and Betty Jacques
- Betty J. and John W. Kemper, Sr.
- James R. and Jean E. Kirk
- Patricia M. Kubene-Simacek
- Dr. Steven A. and Beth Lamb
- Dr. Mary E. LaPlante
- Jeffrey A. and Patricia Leimgruber
- Dr. James and Lois Magisano
- Dr. Saroj Mahalaha
- Raymond J. and Diana G. Marvar
- Mr. William R. Nosse
- Ronald L. and Elaine W. Phillips
- Dr. Joyesh Raj
- Drs. Chandra and Prasanta Raj
- Jean Reinhold, M.D.
- Robert J. Rice
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- Carol and Charles Rini, Sr.
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- James R. Stone
- Charles A. and Tracy L. Sumrada
- Marty and Laura Uhle
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- Lorraine and Robert Warren, Sr.
- Anne J. and Robert Warren, Jr.
- Alan H. Wilde, M.D. and Marilyn M. Wilde
- Robert J. and Janet G. Yaroma
- Judy and John Zangmeister, M.D.
- Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Zilli, Jr.
- Anonymous (5)

The festive ceremony was a highlight of the year and an evening filled with good friends, fond memories, and great conversation!



Walter and Mary Jean Hagen join Carol Latham and Milan Busta.



Merry Wilde and Dr. Alan Wilde.



Aggie and Tom Hoskin.



Marilyn and Robert Hawken, Jr.



Dr. Ajeet and Purnima Kothari.



Charles Rini, Sr. and his cousin, Chuck Rini.



Donald and Debbie Meuser.



Rev. David Buegler and Susan Buegler.



George and Lily Hwang.



Jan Murphy, Susan Mesmer Rice and her husband, Richard, with Alayne Fodor.



Drs. Prasanta and Chandra Raj join Drs. Kelly and Joyesh Raj.

# Scoring A Victory Against Hunger

Community West Foundation teamed up with the Cleveland Foodbank this summer by awarding a \$100,000 challenge grant to help feed hungry neighbors, especially our children. The challenge was to match each dollar donated up to \$100,000 in a campaign that ran through September 30th. The match was immediately multiplied to \$200,000 thanks to the generous response from Foodbank trustees, major donors and friends. More and more supporters joined in to try to reach a \$400,000 goal.

With the campaign now complete, the results have been nothing short of amazing! We are thrilled to share the great news that a record \$761,000 was raised! We are overwhelmed by the support in terms of both dollars raised and the number of donors that participated. In all, over 5,100 individuals and organizations contributed to the cause.

The thought of children not having enough food during the summer months was a cause we couldn't ignore. No one should go hungry – especially our children who often don't have enough food to eat during the summer months when school is out and they lose access to daily school breakfast and lunch programs.

This overwhelming success is a sign of the Foodbank's great organizational strength and momentum. We were thrilled to be a part of this effort, and our partnership with the Cleveland Foodbank was especially gratifying in advancing the health and well being of so many in our community.



Dr. Ted Castele, Community West Foundation Chair Emeritus and Life Trustee, Kristin Warzocha, Vice President of External Affairs, Cleveland Foodbank, and David T. Dombrowiak, President and CEO, Community West Foundation, serve an all time favorite lunch of Sloppy Joes to children at the Boys and Girls Club.



Dr. Ted Castele and Anne Goodman, President and CEO, Cleveland Foodbank, joined together in radio and television commercials to say THANK YOU CLEVELAND for the tremendous campaign success!



**\$761,000 Victory!**



# Community West Foundation Receives Illuminating Hope Award

It's a green thumbs up for Community West Foundation, recently honored with the 2011 Illuminating Hope Award from Lakewood Community Services Center.

The award was presented to David T. Dombrowiak, President and CEO, Community West Foundation, at the 'Got Green? Earth to Table' celebration held at Madison Park in the Community Garden, one of Lakewood's many neighborhood gems.

In his remarks, Chas D. Withers, President, Lakewood Community Services Center said, "Illuminating Hope – that is the best way to describe what Community West Foundation does. Not only does Community West Foundation support you financially – you feel like you have someone who is really in your corner pulling for you."

The event marked the 29th anniversary of Lakewood Community Services Center's role in providing vital support to neighbors in need. Lakewood Community Services Center is a grateful recipient of Community West Foundation's support.

Guests enjoyed a fabulous fresh-from-the-garden menu created by noted Chefs Jonathon Sawyer and Chris Hodgson. Local blues musician Kristine Jackson took the stage and provided an unforgettable evening of entertainment.



Chas D. Withers, President, and Trish Rooney, Executive Director, Lakewood Community Services Center, with Mary Ann and David T. Dombrowiak, President and CEO, Community West Foundation.



Patty Burton and her husband Dr. Paul Burton join Dr. James and Lois Magisano and Dan Roth. All agree it was a perfect night to share the thriving oasis of nature and positive community life!

## Mark your calendars for these upcoming events...

### **The Caring Continues Saturday, November 12 Wagner's Country Inn in Westlake**

This year's annual Caring Continues event will be a "Night at the Races," full of action-packed horse racing entertainment and fun. Place your bets and come celebrate in true Kentucky Derby style with tasty buffet, mint juleps, and stylish Derby hats.

Proceeds benefit the Caring Continues Fund to assist patients receiving treatment at the Cleveland Clinic Cancer Center at Fairview Hospital, Moll Pavilion, who are facing financial hardships.

### **Moonlight in the City Saturday, November 19 Westwood Country Club in Rocky River**

It's a romantic evening of dinner and dancing to the music of Victory Highway. The elegant evening will feature a fabulous silent auction and a vacation grand prize raffle that will make this fundraiser unforgettable.

Join us for the benefit to celebrate the rich heritage of Lutheran Hospital, providing leading-edge treatments with specialties in orthopaedics and spine, behavioral health and chronic wound care, while still retaining the comfortable feel and personal care of a community hospital.

# Community West Foundation Reports Good News at Corporation Meeting

In September, Community West Foundation held its annual corporation meeting and as usual, Dr. Ted Castele, Foundation Chair Emeritus, did a fantastic job of welcoming the over 100 guests in attendance.

The meeting was an opportunity to join with the Foundation's Board, donors, colleagues, ambassadors and friends to share news and review progress. "Community West Foundation made great strides in strengthening philanthropy over the past year," said Dr. Ted. "The community benefited from more than \$4.2 million in grants awarded by Community West with \$2.69 million in grants to 145 distinct agencies and \$1.5 million to Fairview and Lutheran Hospitals."

Dr. Ted reported on the Foundation's great fundraising success: "In 2009, \$3,145,178 was raised; in 2010, we raised \$6,116,135; and, since our last meeting, we have raised a fantastic \$13,366,341." He added that, "The numbers are an easy measurement of the Foundation's success, but they do not tell the whole story of our impact on improving life and making a difference for our neighbors."

Foundation President and CEO, David T. Dombrowiak, spoke about the Foundation's focus to meet the basic needs of those in our community, especially to help feed the hungry. "We chose to do our part to uplift those in our community struggling with hunger. Our Board of Directors approved a \$100,000 challenge grant to the Cleveland Foodbank, and that \$100,000 investment ignited the entire community and helped to raise a fantastic \$564,000. Since our corporation meeting, the final numbers are in and \$761,000 was raised -

a truly incredible outcome.

"Over the past year, the Foundation reached a fundraising milestone with a record \$13 million in gifts," said Mr. Dombrowiak. "This is a tremendous accomplishment and a wonderful message of endorsement that our efforts to increase both the spirit and practice of philanthropy are working."

As an additional bonus to the afternoon, Allen J. Proctor, author of "Linking Mission to Money," former Harvard University Chief Financial Officer and current columnist for Columbus Business First was the keynote speaker. "Being a nonprofit leader, and especially a board member, is a big responsibility, but one that can be both fun and personally rewarding," said Mr. Proctor. "A board member's job can be summarized as two basic duties: to act with loyalty to the nonprofit, and to act with care." Mr. Proctor inspired the audience and his presentation elicited much positive feedback and ignited the creative thought processes of those in attendance.



**We are still on the receiving end of an outpouring of appreciation from attendees of this year's annual meeting that enjoyed hearing the message of Allen J. Proctor, noted advisor to non-profit organizations.**



**Gail Keegan, Development Manager, and Georgette Jackson, Executive Director, Joseph's Home.**



**Toni Mullee, Development Director, St. Malachi Center; Larry Gregg, Deacon, St. Raphael Parish; and Anita Branam, Executive Director, St. Malachi Center.**

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