

THE CURE STARTS NOW "ONCE IN A LIFETIME GALA & AUCTION"



The second annual The Cure Starts Now "Once in a Lifetime Gala and Auction" raised over \$150,000 for pediatric brain cancer research. Celebrity Chefs Bootsy Collins, Kathrine Nero, Amanda Orlando and Bill Kent did the cooking with inspired dishes from area restaurants. Wishes included the chance to design your own Busken Original Iced Cookie for sale through the Greater Cincinnati area, one lucky girl's Nutcracker dream with the Cincinnati Ballet, a day as the brewmaster with Christian Moerlein and a chance to tour the Cincinnati Zoo with animal expert Thane Maynard. The evening was capped off with Rich Graeter announcing last year's Elena's Blueberry Pie Ice Cream will be back in the stores and in special pints all to benefit The Cure Starts Now. 1) Radio personality Amanda Orlando (pictured here with CSN Executive Director Brooke Desserich) provided a custom cocktail "Amanda Orlando's Orange Crush" for the event. 2) Rich Graeter and CSN Co-Director Keith Desserich can't help but smile about the upcoming re-release of Elena's Blueberry Pie Ice Cream to benefit The Cure Starts Now. 3) Senator and Mrs. Seitz helped present two Washington D.C. experiences. 4) Emcee David Love, Patti Collins, Funk Music Icon Bootsy Collins, CSN Co-Director Keith Desserich and WCPO Channel 9 Anchor and Emcee Brendan Keeffe.

13TH ANNUAL SPCA CINCINNATI ADOPT-A-PET SHOW



Local celebrities and leaders like Thom Breneman, WGRR's Chris and Janeen, and Bootsy and Patti Collins teamed up with SPCA Cincinnati President and CEO Harold Dates for the 13th annual SPCA Adopt-A-Pet Show and fundraiser. The event, which aired on Local 12 February 14, raised more than \$97,000 for the local SPCA and saw more than 30 pets adopted. PICTURED L-R: Patti Collins, Bootsy Collins, Chris O'Brien, of WGRR, Harold Dates and Local 12 anchor John Lomax.

BEACON ORTHOPAEDICS TAKES SHARONVILLE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD



Beacon Orthopaedics was recently named the Business of the Year for 2008 by the Sharonville Chamber of Commerce. 1) Beacon Orthopaedics CEO Marilyn Orr with the practice's newest associate, Dr. Robert Rolf. 2) Beacon's management team: Marilyn Orr, Dr. Robert Rolf, Mary Ellen Pope and Arlene Degenhart.

CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING & VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT



CFF Cincinnati honored Rickelle Ruby with a Lifetime Achievement Award for 20 years of leadership and her efforts to raise more than \$1 million for Cystic Fibrosis science and care. Also recognized were the efforts of volunteers and corporations for their support. 1) Attendees - (L to R) Bill Newman, Tina Glass - Celebrity Waiters Chair, Rickelle Ruby- Lifetime achievement award. 2) (L to R) Lori Lobsiger- Executive Director- CFF, Jill Soldano-CFF, Rickelle Ruby, Annemarie Barnett-CFF & Kelby Hicks-CFF. 3) Ample Award accepted by Mary Ann Comer grandmother of Kevin (L to R) Lori Lobsiger- Executive Director- CFF, Annemarie Barnett-CFF, Mary Ann Comer- CF Founder, Kelby Hicks- CFF & Jill Soldano-CFF. 4) The Duct Tape Gang - (L to R) Mark Fortner, Lori Lobsiger- Executive Director- CFF, Annemarie Barnett-CFF, Jim Lang-CF Dad, Kelby Hicks-CFF, Jill Soldano-CFF, Gary Lightner - CF Dad.