



SPAGHETTI DINNER, AUCTION, AND DANCE – MARCH 10, 2012

The One Mountain Foundation held an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner, auction, and dance on Saturday, March 10, 2012 at the American Legion Post #239 on McAfee Hill Road in Cascade, MD. The menu included spaghetti and pasta, tomato or meat sauce, meat balls, Italian bread and a variety of rolls, salad with choice of dressings, a large selection of desserts, and drink (coffee, lemonade, tea, or water). Dinner started at 5:00 p.m., the auction started at 7:00 p.m., and dancing went from 8:00 p.m. until after 11:00 p.m.



The evening was well attended and highly successful for the Foundation. The room was packed full of participants who helped celebrate OMF's 10th Anniversary as a Foundation. That translated into a lot of food being eaten before the evening was over! The pictures (above and left) show only a few of the families and groups that enjoyed the evening. Thanks to all who attended. Having a full room of people having a great time was one of the purposes for holding the event.

Our Chef for the meal was Dave Sanders. He did a fabulous job in preparing the meal. Many thanks go to the OMF Board members who brought in many, many desserts. All the sweet teeth in the room should have gone home with their teeth aching!



Games were available for those who wanted to participate. Jeff Coyle and Donna Pryor ran the 180 wheel (at left). The number and variety of auction items (below) was amazing.



Thanks go to Jeff and Dave for arranging for everything (dinner menu, auction items, and music for dancing) for the evening.



The highlight of the evening was the award of the **2012 Pillar of the Community Award** to Jim Bittner for his "outstanding leadership, volunteerism, and selfless dedication to serving our Mountaintop Community". Jim has dedicated his life to serving the citizens of the Mountaintop, never refusing to give a helping hand and his time assisting many of the folks living in the region. He acknowledged his father, Harold Bittner, as the role model who inspired him to dedicate a large part of his life to helping others and his community.

Jim's niece, Deb Spalding wrote in The Catoctin Banner that "while the lead-in about the award recipient was being presented by OMF Chairman, Bill Carter, Mr. Bittner seemed to be pre-occupied by entertaining a youngster in a seat next to him. However, he must have been listening because at the point of comprehension that he was the person being honored, he exclaimed, "Oh ____!"



"Mr. Bittner was surrounded by friends and family who attended the dinner under the disguise of a surprise birthday party for his birthday, which was March 13. The birthday party was also a surprise to him. For a person who recently had two surgeries on his heart, it is comforting to know that his heart is super-fit having survived multiple surprises."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JIM WITH BEST WISHES FOR MANY, MANY MORE



This event kicked-off OMF's activities for 2011. Upcoming events include a spring dinner theater (*Boeing, Boeing*) on April 13th and 14th and the 7th Annual Mountaintop Heritage Days on June 30th and July 1st.

Some additional photos from the dinner:



Jim Bittner speaking after accepting the Pillar of the Community Award



Bill Carter, Jim Bittner, and Jeff Coyle



More information about the One Mountain Foundation may be found on the OMF website: www.onemountainfoundation.org.