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Rye Brook Adoption Agency Hosts Annual Food Tasting and Silent Auction Event

On October 11th, Forever Families Through Adoption, Inc. (FFTA), a NY and CT- authorized non-profit adoption placement agency and resource center held its fourth annual gourmet food tasting and silent auction event, "An Evening at Crawford Park Mansion."

Located in Rye Brook, FFTA hosted the event in the community again this year, following the success of last year's event and in keeping with FFTA's community oriented mission. Generous local participating sponsors and auction item contributors were vital to the evening's success.

FFTA's Executive Director, Joy S. Goldstein, LCSW, ACSW, who founded the agency in 2007 with her husband and adoption attorney, Michael S. Goldstein, Esq. LCSW, was inspired by the generosity of those participating and by the dedication of local volunteers and contributors. "All of these collective efforts greatly enhance our ability to sustain and expand our outreach and education efforts in the community for which FFTA receives no fees." Proceeds raised will enable FFTA to develop new opportunities and programming with the continued goal of increasing knowledge and understanding of issues of adoption. "We pride ourselves on our mission to increase positive adoption awareness, empower families and serve the community," Ms. Goldstein stated. In addition to FFTA staff, members of the board, and committed volunteers, also lending support to the event was notable guest New York State Assemblyman George Latimer, who bolstered live auction bidding and spoke about the impact of participation on those served by the non-profit agency.

Several local restaurants prepared delicious tasting dishes for the event; participants included Rye's Morgan's Fish House and Ruby's Oyster Bar, Sonora in Port Chester, Roasted Peppers in Mamaroneck, California Pizza Kitchen in Scarsdale, and Blue Moon Café in Bronxville. The Wine Gallery in Rye Brook, All Star Beverages in Yonkers, and Captain Lawrence Brewing Company in Elmsford provided beverages, and gourmet desserts were provided by the Melting Pot in White Plains, Chocolations in Mamaroneck, and Cerbone's in Rye Brook. A selection of lively contemporary music for the evening was provided by Peter DeHoff, a longstanding supporter of the musical arts in Westchester. Additional sponsors transforming the Mansion with graceful finishing touches included White Plains Linen, and Frank's House of Flowers in Mamaroneck, who contributed stunning floral arrangements.

FFTA, founded and staffed by social workers, attorneys, adoptees and adoptive parents believes that every child eligible for permanent adoption, regardless of racial or ethnic background, age, or physical or emotional challenge, has the right to grow up in a loving, nurturing, secure, and forever home. To learn more about adoption and FFTA, call 914-939-1180 or visit FFTA on the web at [www.foreverfamiliesthroughadoption.org](http://www.foreverfamiliesthroughadoption.org)

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