



Forever Families Through Adoption

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On October 13th, Forever Families Through Adoption, Inc. (FFTA), a NY and CT- authorized adoption placement agency and resource center held its third annual gourmet food tasting and silent auction event, "An Evening at Crawford Park Mansion." Located in Rye Brook, FFTA hosted the event closer to home this year and stated that the majority of donations came from local businesses and area merchants. FFTA's Executive Director, Joy S. Goldstein, LCSW, ACSW, who founded the agency in 2007 with her husband and adoption attorney, Michael S. Goldstein, was proud and appreciative of the involvement of the community and those supporting FFTA. "Everyone says that contributions to local charities are down this year due to a slow economy, but the commitment and generosity of local businesses has been truly amazing and has made a difference in the success of our agency and the important work that we do. We couldn't be more impressed."

Proceeds raised from ticket sales and the silent auction will enable FFTA to expand outreach efforts and to offer a more comprehensive range of services in the community including free educational programming to schools, hospitals, clinics and prisons. "We pride ourselves on our mission to raise awareness of and sensitivity to adoption while increasing access to our unique approach and expertise," Ms. Goldstein stated. In addition to FFTA members of the board, staff and volunteers, also lending support to the event was notable guest, Village of Port Chester Trustee Joseph Kenner.

Several local restaurants prepared enjoyable tasting dishes for the event; participants included Rye's Morgan's Fish House and Ruby's Oyster Bar, Sonora in Port Chester, the Melting Pot in White Plains, and Blue Moon Café in Bronxville. The Wine Gallery in Rye Brook, All Star Imports in Yonkers, and Captain Lawrence Brewing Company in Pleasantville provided beverages, and gourmet desserts were provided by Le Renaissance Patisserie Francaise of Scarsdale, Sweet Lisa's of Cos Cob, Cerbone's in Rye Brook and Chocolations of Mamaroneck, adding to a sweet evening. Lively music for the evening was provided by local resident Kevin Lyden and The Stanwich Four. Additional sponsors enhancing the popular venue with finishing touches included White Plains Linen, and Frank's House of Flowers in Mamaroneck, who contributed eye-catching 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 www.foreverfamiliesthroughadoption.org.

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