

Pattonville Education Foundation honors individuals for their support

The Pattonville Education Foundation honored two pillars of the Pattonville community on March 1 when it held its 14th annual Dinner/Dance/Auction. The Foundation raises funds for innovative programs to benefit Pattonville students.

During the evening, the Foundation board honored the late Dr. Hugh Kinney with a Friend of the Foundation Award for his support and assistance over the past 10 years while he served as Pattonville's superintendent. Dr. Kinney passed away last June after battling brain cancer. His wife, Jane Kinney, son Josh Kinney, son Adam Kinney and Adam's wife, Melissa, and five-month-old daughter, Riley, were on hand to accept the award.

The Foundation also awarded a Pillar of Pattonville Award to Thomas P. Dunne, Sr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Fred Weber Inc. The award is given to individuals who have exhibited outstanding support of Pattonville for 15 years or more.

Assisting in the event were Fox 2 News Anchor and Reporter Randi Naughton, who served as emcee, and Pattonville Alum Steve Augustine, who served as auctioneer. In addition, a band made up of Pattonville staff members performed live music. Mary Vaughan, director of parks and recreation for the city of Maryland Heights, serves as president of the Pattonville Education Foundation and spearheaded the committee for the evening event.