



Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area
community foundation

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Stafford's Hospitality Supports the Community

Stafford's Annual Customer Appreciation Night generated \$8,365 to support a variety of charitable, local causes through the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation.

For the past 34 years Stafford's Hospitality has hosted their generous year-end Customer Appreciation Night as a way to say thank you to their loyal Pineapple Club members as well as friends and family. Each guest is asked to make a donation to the charitable community organization selected by Stafford's Hospitality. They chose the Community Foundation because of the many different and local organizations they support through their grantmaking.

"This year at the Perry Hotel we had approximately 650 guests attend" said David Marvin, Business Manager and partner for Stafford's Hospitality. "The donation twist to the evening actually started a couple of years ago. Historically, we had never asked our guests for money when they came to this party, but several guests insisted on giving us money at the door, which we would turn around and give to charity. After all, one of the reasons for the party is to give back to our community. So we decided to formally ask our guests to donate a little something to a selected charity when they attend." Marvin added.

"This year we were thrilled that over \$8,300 was raised for the Community Foundation." Marvin concluded.

The donations supported the Foundation's Community Endowment Fund. That is the fund used to make annual grants to a wide range of organizations and needs in the Emmet County area.

About The Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation

The Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation is dedicated to improving and enriching the quality of life in Emmet County. Since 1992, the Foundation has distributed grants totaling more than six million dollars to nonprofit organizations, municipalities and schools to create or improve charitable programs. For more information, you may call (231) 348-5820 or visit their website www.phsacf.org.

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