

# *RCA IN THE NEWS*

## **14th ANNUAL HEART OF RCA BENEFIT DINNER & AUCTION, A SUCCESS**

One of Riverside Christian Academy's annual spring traditions is the Heart of RCA Benefit Dinner & Auction. This year's event took place on Saturday, April 1; it was the 14th annual benefit dinner and auction for the school.

"Our Heart of RCA event has grown year after year due to the tremendous support from people in the community and area businesses. We are so thankful for the auction donations our local businesses provide, the business sponsorships that help make the event possible, and the many guests who attend and make the event a fun experience for everyone," said RCA's President, James Bryant.

This year over 470 people attended Heart of RCA, and the event grossed over \$25,000 for the school's budget, which included \$7,800 that was raised through a "Fund-A-Need" Initiative. Several auction guests pledged money specifically toward purchasing Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math programs for the school.

Each year, a person who has a heart for Riverside Christian Academy is honored with the Gary Upchurch Heart of RCA Award at the benefit dinner and auction. This year RCA's Administration posthumously honored Glenn and Brenda Moore for their love and support for the ministry of RCA through the years. The Moores graciously left \$25,000 in their estate to the school to begin an endowment fund that will provide financial assistance for children to attend Riverside Christian Academy.

The auction was made possible by the talents of local auctioneers Mike McAlister, Jacob Massey, and John Thorpe. The trio kept the crowd laughing and bidding all night, and helped make the event a great success.

Also, the generous event sponsorships by the Mike George family, Brooke & Amy Grubb, CB&S Bank, Wright Paving, Shoney's, Dr. Dan DeJarnatt, Representative Pat Marsh, and Dr. Richard Fewell helped make the night possible.

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