

10<sup>th</sup> Annual  
2010  
Champaign County  
Heart & Stroke Ball  
Saturday  
02.20.2010  
Champaign Country Club

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December, 2009

Dear Friend of Heart,

The Champaign Heart Ball will celebrate a decade of dedicated fund raising with the 2010 event next year. University of Illinois President Stanley Ikenberry along with Lou Rysnic and Judy Frasier Chaired the very first Heart Ball in our community back in February of 2001. Over the last nine years, the Champaign County Heart Ball has raised \$1.1 million (net) for the American Heart Association's lifesaving programs and research, contributing to advances such as CPR, pacemakers, bypass surgery, heart transplants, echocardiograms, coronary arteriography, heart lung machines, and anti-rejection therapy drugs.

Last year, our Heart Ball campaign raised just over \$51 million nation-wide allowing us to fund over \$123 million of research and programs across the country and in our community. Since 2001, the American Heart Association has funded almost \$6.7 million in ground-breaking research studies conducted in Champaign-Urbana campus of the University of Illinois.

On Saturday, February 20, 2010 the American Heart Association will host the Tenth Annual Champaign County Heart & Stroke Ball. We hope to raise over \$185,000 to support life saving research and education programs of the American Heart Association.

The Heart Ball is an elegant evening, which will include a social reception, silent auction, dinner, live auction, special appeal for children's research, and excellent entertainment. The executive committee is currently seeking corporate sponsorship and auction donations to help us raise dollars for this very relevant cause. The federal tax ID for the American Heart Association and this event is #13-5613797. The Illinois state tax exempt number is E9989446705.

We are expecting a strong attendance from the medical community as well as major businesses and influential individuals from Champaign County and the surrounding area. All Silent Auction donors will be recognized in the evening's program, and all Live Auction donors will also be recognized in the evening's Powerpoint presentation. For details about corporate sponsorship levels, please feel free to contact me at [amanda.beckler@heart.org](mailto:amanda.beckler@heart.org) or 217.355.5119. For general information about the event, please visit [www.americanheart.org/champaign](http://www.americanheart.org/champaign).

Thank you for helping fight heart disease and stroke!

Sincerely,



Amanda J. Beckler  
Corporate Events Director

