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### **2016 C & B SEEN GALA RAISES OVER \$105,000!**

The Corsicana Education Foundation (CEF) hosted their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual C & B Seen Gala on October 1 at the IOOF Event Center raising over \$105,000. The event serves as a fundraiser to assist CEF's endeavors to generate funds to support the students and staff of Corsicana ISD through teaching grants, student academic recognition and staff support.

"We always want to make this a fun and memorable event for our community, but it still boils down to being all about the kids," said Kristin Zastoupil, executive director of the CEF. "What a great way to spend an evening out knowing your dollars are being invested back into the education of our youth in Corsicana."

Over 300 people attended, enjoying a gourmet dinner and dessert bar, entertainment by the Piano Man, buying items from live and silent auctions and adopting teacher and campus wishes and grants. Grants and wishes not sponsored at the gala are still available for adoption online at [www.corsicanaef.org/wish-lists](http://www.corsicanaef.org/wish-lists) through October 31.

"Our district is lucky to have the support of a strong education foundation. The volunteer board of community members are passionate about helping our students and staff," said Corsicana ISD Superintendent Dr. Diane Frost. "The C&B Seen Gala is a wonderful event for our community to have an evening out while supporting our schools."

The date has been set for next year for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual C&B Seen Gala on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017 at the IOOF Event Center. Funds raised from the gala support innovative teaching grants, the top 10% academic recognition banquet and distinguished staff awards programs.

“We always want to do more for the students and staff of Corsicana ISD, so hitting a record high of \$105,000 is very exciting,” said CEF President Paula Cook. “We are grateful we have such a generous community that supports our schools.”

For questions about the C & B Seen Gala or the Corsicana Education Foundation, please contact CEF offices at (903) 602-8133.

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