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# TWILIGHT BENEFIT FOUNDATION

## **Twilight Benefit Gala Sets Sail September 17th – Community Leaders Come Together for Charity** 2011 Twilight Community Leadership Award winners to be honored during the September 17th Twilight Benefit Gala

The Twilight Benefit Foundation has announced its 2011 Twilight Community Leadership Award winners. These awards recognize individuals and organizations whose leadership has made a significant impact in their particular Detroit metro area communities. The awards celebrate people who are rolling up their sleeves, taking initiative, and solving problems in their neighborhoods and communities.

This year's winners include:

- Laurie Tarter – Winning Futures Program
- Jonny Imerman – Imerman Angels
- L. Brooks Patterson – Michigan Rainbow Connection
- Stewart Francke - Stewart Francke Leukemia Foundation
- Dr. Dawn Estelle – Team Winter

The 2011 gala ceremonies will be emceed by **Saylor X. Frase**, Chairman of the Twilight Foundation. Special presenters for this year's festivities include a collection of past winners, community leaders, and other prominent figures.

Special guest presenters include:

**Taylor Sherman**; Taylor is the recently crowned Miss Michigan Teen USA 2011 she also competed in the 2011 Miss Teen USA pageant.

**Ryan LaFontaine** is the General Manger of the LaFontaine Automotive Group and a well-known philanthropist in the community. Mr. LaFontaine is a past recipient of a Twilight Community Leadership Award.

**Phil Bertolini** Oakland County CIO/Deputy County Executive has been nationally recognized several times for his leadership and innovative technology programs.

**Abigail Hamilton** is the Director/ Founder of Guardian Gals & Philanthropy for Life organization and was a 2010 Twilight Community Leadership Award winner.

**Richard Bernstein** is a distinguished attorney-at-law recognized as an advocate for disabled rights and justice for those with physical challenges. Mr. Bernstein was named as a Twilight Community Leadership Award winner during last year's Twilight Benefit Gala event.

### **About Twilight Benefit Gala**

The Twilight Benefit Gala is one of Michigan's finest and most exclusive formal events. Guest will rub elbows with some of Southeast Michigan's most prominent and up and coming professionals. This year's Twilight Foundation Gala si taking place on the Ovation Yacht, cruising the Detroit River on September 17th. The evening includes not only the awards ceremony but amazing entertainment including a live band, outstanding food and spirits. Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are available with proceeds from this year's Gala going to the Rainbow Connection, which is making wishes come true for Michigan kids with life-threatening illnesses and the Charlie Porter Research Grant for the treatment and cure of Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) in children.

**Tickets: Buy Online at <http://www.twilightbenefit.com> or call (248) 896-6182**

### **About Twilight Foundation**

The Twilight Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable organization, existing to support and further social, philanthropic and humanitarian efforts to give something back to the community, with a focus on social needs and concerns and the continuing research for the elimination of catastrophic disease.

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