

*A Celebration One Hundred Years in the Making...*

# Reach for the Stars Centennial Gala Celebration

The Reach for the Stars Centennial Gala Celebration was held on Friday, October 24 at Pittsburgh's Omni William Penn hotel. Approximately 400 DePaul stakeholders attended the Gala, which garnered over \$110,000 for valued programs and services so that children who are deaf or hard of hearing can listen, learn and speak.



Event co-chair, Dr. Bridget Chufo with fellow DePaul trustee and event emcee, Mike Clark.

The evening was highlighted by recognition of DePaul's founding organizations: the Diocese of Pittsburgh and the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill. DePaul Board of Trustees President, Carl Eck, presented the Star Award for outstanding contributions to DePaul to Bishop David Zubik. Seton Hill University President Dr. JoAnne Boyle conferred a second Star award to Provincial Superior Sister Vivian Linkhauer, SC.



Proud DePaul parents Greg Billet, Pam Billet and Karin Pejack

"A World without Boundaries", a short film documenting DePaul's mission and students debuted at the Gala, which was co-chaired by Dr. Bridget and Ron Chufo and emceed by WTAE-TV anchor Mike Clark. The event also featured silent and live auctions that included over 110 items!



ABOVE: DePaul's oldest alum attending the Gala, Frank Slater (Class of '42) shares a few words during the cocktail reception. Slater came from St. Augustine, FL, for the event.



RIGHT: DePaul alum and former teacher Richard Patton gets a look at the silent auction items



Bishop David Zubik receives Star Award from Carl Eck, President, DePaul's Board of Trustees



Provincial Superior Sister Vivian Linkhauer receives Star Award from Dr. JoAnne Boyle, President, Seton Hill University



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