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Sold-Out Crowd Attends CRIS Gala

Tickets sold out weeks before the 2nd Annual Dining & Dancing in the Dark gala, held at the historic Hartford Club in downtown Hartford on April 21.

The crowd of more than 230 cheered on CRIS Radio volunteers Diane Duhaime and Rosie Morline,



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CRIS volunteers Diane Duhaime and Rosie Morline performed at the gala. Pictured, from left, are: Arthur Murray dance professional Frank Del Aguila, Duhaime, Oksana Blaise — who donated the dance costumes — Morline, and her dance partner Joe Monnin.

and Bob Maxon, meteorologist at NBC 30.

Honorary chair, U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal, presented citations to CRIS honorees Susan Kosman, Aetna's chief of nursing, and Nancy Myerson, rehabilitative teacher with the state Board of Education and Services.

who performed with dance professionals of the Arthur Murray Dance Studio of New Britain, as well as the four contestants of CRIS' own version of Dancing With the Stars. "Fancy Footwork" Floyd Green, vice president of Aetna and head of community relations, took home the Mirror Ball Trophy, beating out Morgan Amarone, Miss Connecticut, Kara Sundlun, WFSB anchor and co-host of Better Connecticut,



Floyd Green, accepts the Mirror Ball Trophy with professional dance partner Lacey Escobales. Far left, Kara Sundlun and dance partner Frank Del Aguila, and far right, Bob Maxon and partner Wendy Nielsen, applaud.

CRIS THANKS ITS VOLUNTEERS

More than 100 CRIS Radio volunteers recently attended a reception at the Governor's Mansion where they were honored for their long-standing service.

Joanne Nesti, former NBC Connecticut news anchor, was honored for 30 years of service.

Three volunteers were recognized for 20 years of service. They are:

Robert McAllister, Laura Nadeau and Stephen Thal.

Celebrating 15 years of service are: Lucille Becker, Rose Bradley, Bill Cleveland, Steve Craft, Allen W. Fanslow, Kathy Galloway, Sam Green, Margaret Lawlor, Christine Mabey, Donna Lee McGrath, J. Kendall Murphy, Jerry Osochowsky, David Robinson, and Jane Wischow.

Recognized for 10 years of service include: George Arendt, James Battaglio, Charlotte Berman, Barbara Ekman, Walter Galuszka Jr., Joan Hurwitz, Kathy Keane, Emily Macko, Kathy Miranti, Carla Ottaviano, Robert Pease, Joanna Rapoza, Nick Stevens, and Edward Temple, .

Also honored are volunteers who have dedicated five years of service to CRIS. They are: Burt Albert, Nancy Ainsworth, Janet Barker, Susan Carey, Scott Chamberlain, Tova Clayman, John Davis, Christine D'Allesandro, Joan DeGiacomo, Diane Duhaime, Jason Ellsworth, Lisa Ennis, Elizabeth Finnemore, and Bess Foxman.

In addition, the following were acknowledged for five years of volunteer service: Jason Gardiner, Kristin Giblin, Steven Giblin, Richard Gray, Doris Griffith, Tom Grossi, Ann-Lynn Kettles, Richard Hurley, Rob Lunde, Robert Massa, Bill Murphy, Charles Rogers, Suzanne Schloss, Leonard Silberg, Barry Slater, Bruce Stave, and Bill Walton.



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CRIS recently honored its volunteers at the Governor's Mansion. Pictured above, first row, from left, are: Keith Sullivan, CRIS program director, Scott Baecker, CRIS operations director, Diane Weaver Dunne, CRIS executive director, Charlotte Berman, James Battaglio, Diane Duhaime, Joanne Nesti, Christine Mabey. Second row, from left, are: Scott Chamberlain, Margaret Lawlor, Anne-Lynn Kettles, Elizabeth Foxman, Edward Temple, Emily Macko, Elizabeth Finnemore, J. Kendall Murphy, Suzanne Schloss, Bruce Stave, and Allen W. Fanslow.

SWING INTO ACTION AT THE CRIS RADIO GOLF CLASSIC

CRIS will hold its 15th Annual Golf Classic on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at the Manchester Country Club.

[Click here](#) for the player registration form and save \$15 off the \$150 player fee by registering before July 31. The player fee includes lunch, dinner, 18 holes of golf and a cart.

Don't play golf? Join us for dinner only and the live auction, featuring our event emcee Scott Haney, WFSB meteorologist and co-host of Better Connecticut. The auction will include one-of-a-kind sports memorabilia and a Kindle Fire.



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The winning foursome at the 2011 CRIS Golf Classic, pictured above, from left, are: Craig Cavanaugh, Dick Hurley, Paul McDonnell, and Fred Bonyun.



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Scott Haney, event emcee and WFSB meteorologist and co-host of Better Connecticut, auctioned off a spot on his WFSB Channel 3 foursome for \$1,000, which was won by Brian Devine. Pictured above are: Jack Banks, Devine, Haney and Eric Parker, WFSB morning news anchor.

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