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**Marshall County Community Foundation
Invites the Public to Attend the
Chad E. Pearson Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction
On February 13, 2010**

The Marshall County Community Foundation invites the public to attend the Chad E. Pearson Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction on Saturday, February 13, 2010 at the F.O.P. Lodge, 1825 E. 12th St., Mishawaka, Indiana.



The event is in honor of Chad Pearson, a student at IU South Bend who was studying in London when he was struck by a car and killed in 1994. Proceeds from the event will fund a scholarship for the Knute Rockne Kiwanis Club with the Marshall County Community Foundation.

A silent auction will be held from 6 to 9 p.m.; dinner at 7 p.m.; and dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight. The evening includes a Polish-style buffet and cash bar. TNT Productions will serve as the DJ. Tickets are \$25 per person.

More than 150 items will be auctioned including gift certificates from restaurants and retail stores, Notre Dame and sports memorabilia, art, jewelry, personal services, custom-made children's toys, furniture, and custom-made birdhouses from the workshop of Larry Pearson.

During the reception, Chad's mother, Glenda Pearson, will autograph her book, *"But Should the Angels Call for Him: A Mother's Journey Through Grief and Discovery."* The book will be on sale at the event.

“Our son, Chad, exemplified everything good about a student – compassionate, generous, studious, fun-loving and committed to improving the quality of life for everyone. This scholarship fund will help other high school students achieve their dreams” said Mr. Larry Pearson.

For tickets call Mr. & Mrs. Pearson at (574) 273-0888 by January 31 or buy on-line at the Marshall County Community Foundation website www.marshallcountycf.org . For further information contact Joseph K. Goepfrich, CFRE, Vice President for Development, Marshall County Community Foundation at 574-935-5159.