



Beth and Bob Fink
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Tom and Karen Clark
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Sherrie Kimberly, Leslie Kissel and Katie Goodwin
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Andrea Wlaszyn with Nate and Catherine Brulport
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Diana and Jim Snider with Linda Shippy
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Corrine Tennent and Beth Amer
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“The Imagine Ball”

The Women of WITAN celebrated the 70th anniversary of the Akron-based organization whose Community Projects Fund supports area nonprofits both financially and through voluntarism.

Beth Fink was chairman of the benefit held at the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls where about 125 guests enjoyed cocktails while bidding on a silent auction. People also bought chances to win a six-month use of an Acadia, compliments of Lambert Buick-GMC. The winner didn't need the car, so in place of its free use, dealership founder and owner John Lambert donated \$5,000 to WITAN.

With design assistance from Savoie Faire Event Planning, WITAN committee members made the table centerpieces for the sit-down dinner, prepared by Chef Roger Thomas of Piatto Novo. Music for the gala was by Shout!

Since it was founded in July 1943, WITAN has raised more than \$2 million and its members have volunteered in excess of three million hours to local social service agencies, hospitals, schools, the arts and other organizations. A two-year endowment campaign was just launched, with its goal to raise \$500,000, according to Katie Goodwin, endowment chairman and past WITAN president. WITAN's other major fundraiser is its French Market on February 22 and 23 at Todaro's. For information visit wintaninfo.org. STORY AND PHOTOGRAPHS BY KATHRYN RIDDLE