



THE JOE TILLER CHAPTER OF NORTHWEST INDIANA

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SCHOLARSHIP FUND BENEFITS FROM PURCHASES OF TICKETS AND CDs

The scholarship fund of the Joe Tiller Chapter of the National Football Foundation will benefit greatly when chapter members purchase tickets to two November charity events in the Lafayette area or purchase compact discs that are being sold by one of the chapter members.

The two charity events are the “CRAM fest ‘08” concert at Purdue’s Loeb Playhouse at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16, and the “Simon Evening of Giving” shopping event at the Tippecanoe Mall at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 23. Both events are committing 100 percent of their ticket sales to charities as the sponsors allow organizations and foundations to keep a generous percentage of the ticket sales for their own charitable purposes.

See additional details about the two events in the accompanying stories. Order your tickets via the enclosed form, enjoy yourself at two outstanding events in November, and help our chapter add to its scholarship fund.

The percentages vary, but the bottom line is ... if each of our 375 chapter members buys at least one ticket to each event at an average of \$10 each, the Joe Tiller Chapter Scholarship Fund will receive nearly 50 percent of the sales, amounting to more than \$3,500 for the NFF.

Also, chapter member Levi Riggs continues his commitment of donating to the Tiller Chapter Scholarship Fund at a rate of 10 percent of the sales of his first solo CD, for which he wrote seven of the songs and recorded in a Lafayette studio. Released in September, the country CD sells for \$15 each. Members interested in buying it may send the enclosed order form directly to Riggs or order it with their “CRAM fest ‘08” or “Simon Evening of Giving” tickets. The CD order will be forwarded to Riggs.

The scholarship fund will be distributed to deserving high school students from the Northwest Indiana region at next June’s NFF Honors Dinner.

In addition, the chapter is in the process of planning a special event to recognize and honor the 12-year coaching tenure of Joe Tiller at Purdue. With input from Joe and his wife, Arnette, the chapter will schedule a “Joe Tiller Roast & Toast” in the early part of 2009. Details will be made public in coming weeks. Due to that planning process, the chapter will forego previous plans to do a “tailgate” event this fall in conjunction with a Purdue home football game.

NOV. 16 CHARITY CONCERT FEATURES MESSAGE OF HOPE

A charity concert named “CRAM fest ‘08” will raise the roof of Loeb Playhouse in the Stewart Center on Purdue University’s campus as it raises money to help the needy, both locally and internationally!

The event, scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 16, at 3 p.m., will promote a message of hope while showcasing music of the Lafayette-West Lafayette community.

The Gimlet Leadership Honorary at Purdue is sponsoring the event, in conjunction with the Joe Tiller Chapter of the National Football Foundation, Purdue Musical Organizations, Black Cultural Center, and several area businesses, churches and ministries. The name “CRAM fest ‘08” stands for Community Rhythm And Music Festival.

The concert will feature the music of the Black Voices of Inspiration, specialty groups from the Purdue Varsity Glee Club and Purduettes, The Overtones, Levi Riggs, Malachi Jaggers, and musicians representing various churches and organizations including St. Thomas Aquinas Center and Purdue Christian Campus House.

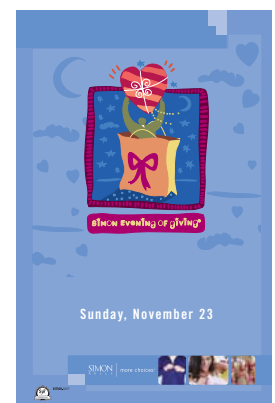


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NOV. 23 SHOPPING BECOMES EVENING OF GIVING

Holiday shopping will be twice as nice on Sunday, Nov. 23, when Tippecanoe Mall hosts the annual Simon Evening of Giving event – a festive night of private shopping that benefits area charities.

From 6:30 to 9 p.m., shoppers will enjoy an exciting evening of exclusive shopping featuring special discounts and gifts from participating retailers, live music and family entertainment. Shoppers are able to give back to their communities through the purchase of a ticket to the event that benefits the participating non-profit organizations, including the Joe Tiller Chapter of the National Football Foundation.



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SAVE THESE DATES:
Early 2009 - Joe Tiller “Roast & Toast”
June 23, 2009 - NFF Honors Dinner

▸ 320 DEHART ST., WEST LAFAYETTE, IN 47906 ▸ 765.494.2086 ▸



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2009 HONORS DINNER AWARDS

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

This annual award is intended to provide recognition to a graduating high school senior football player who exemplifies excellence as a student, an athlete and a citizen. Scholarship money from the National Football Foundation is provided to the winner as long as he is not receiving full athletic aid to attend the college of his choice. He is not required to continue his career as a football player.

Selection process: Nominations are accepted in late winter or early spring from high school coaches and/or administrators in the counties covered by this NFF chapter. Nominations are evaluated by the Scholar-Athlete Committee, which recommends at least one recipient per year. This recommendation must be ratified by the Board of Directors and the presentation should be made at the annual Honors Dinner. Other nominees will also be recognized at the Honors Dinner.

- 2005 Honoree: William Bowman of Lafayette Jefferson High School
- 2006 Honoree: Brett Courtney of West Lafayette Harrison High School
- 2007 Honoree: James Wodicka of West Lafayette High School
- 2008 Honoree: Griffin Richeson of Lafayette Central Catholic High School
- 2009 Honoree: To be determined

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO AMATEUR FOOTBALL AWARD

This annual award is intended to provide recognition to an individual whose efforts and activities support the goals of the National Football Foundation on the local level. The award identifies an individual who works tirelessly out of love for football and a desire to help children play the game. The award winner can be a league organizer, administrator, fundraiser, coach, doctor, athletic trainer, game official or anyone who excels in representing and supporting the foundation's fundamental creed.

Selection process: Nominations are accepted throughout the year from NFF chapter members and considered by the Awards Committee, which recommends no more than one recipient per year. This recommendation must be ratified by the Board of Directors and the presentation should be made at the annual Honors Dinner.

- 2005 Honoree: Kay Hunt of West Lafayette Little Gridiron Football League
- 2006 Honoree: John Robinson of Lafayette 56ers Youth Football League
- 2007 Honoree: Dr. Bob Hagen of Lafayette Sportsmedicine/Unity Health Care
- 2008 Honoree: Brad Smith of Attica, Indiana Football Coaches Association
- 2009 Honoree: To be determined

DREW BREES COLLEGE OR PRO MENTAL TOUGHNESS AWARD

This annual award is intended to provide recognition to a college or professional athlete who exemplified exceptional mental attitude or toughness while competing within the counties covered by this NFF chapter. Exceptional mental attitude includes displays of high academic achievement, superior leadership, dogged determination, tenacity, moral character, bravery, humility and concern for others, in addition to remarkable athletic accomplishments.

Selection process: Nominations are accepted throughout the year from NFF chapter members and considered by the Awards Committee, which recommends no more than one recipient per year. This recommendation must be ratified by the Board of Directors and the presentation should be made at the annual Honors Dinner.

- 2005 Honoree: Drew Brees of the San Diego Chargers
- 2006 Honoree: Rob Ninkovich of Purdue University
- 2007 Honoree: Rosevelt Colvin of the New England Patriots
- 2008 Honoree: Nick Hardwick of the San Diego Chargers
- 2009 Honoree: To be determined

DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AWARD

This annual award is intended to provide recognition to a citizen who has maintained a lifetime of interest in the game of football and who has exhibited enviable leadership qualities and patriotism while making a significant contribution to the betterment of amateur football or sports in general in the United States while bringing recognition to the local area covered by this NFF chapter.

Selection process: Nominations are accepted throughout the year from NFF chapter members and considered by the Awards Committee, which recommends no more than one recipient per year. This recommended must be ratified by the Board of Directors and the presentation should be made at the annual Honors Dinner.

- 2005 Honoree: Gene Keady, emeritus basketball coach of Purdue University
- 2006 Honoree: Bob DeMoss, former football coach/administrator at Purdue University
- 2007 Honoree: Henry Rosenthal, former play-by-play announcer/owner of WASK Radio
- 2008 Honoree: Bernie Flowers, former All-American, salesman extraordinaire
- 2009 Honoree: To be determined

NOMINATION FORM

(Submit by January 31, 2009 to Jim Vruggink via phone at 765-494-2086, fax at 765-496-2970, email at jvruggink@purdue.edu or mail at 320 Dehart St., West Lafayette, IN 47906)

Name of nominee _____
 For which award? _____
 Phone/address of nominee _____

 Reasons for nomination _____

 Your name _____
 Phone or email _____

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CONCERT (CONTINUED)

If the 3 p.m. concert sells out by Oct. 31, a second concert might be added at 7 p.m. the same day, also at Loeb Playhouse, which has a seating capacity of 1,000. Ticket prices for the two-hour concert are \$5 for children and students through college age, \$10 for general admission and \$15 for reserved seats.

The three charities (Food Finders Food Bank, Heifer International and Overtones Foundation) sharing the income from this concert are all 501 (C) (3) foundations.

Food Finders Food Bank helps collect food donations for more than 140 nonprofit agencies in the Northwest Indiana region, having distributed more than 2.3 million pounds of food and household products in 2007.

Heifer International is working to end world hunger and poverty through the gifts of livestock, education, and training to impoverished families around the world who are trained in animal care and environmentally sound agricultural practices so they can lift themselves out of poverty and become self-reliant.

The Overtones Foundation provides support to cover travel expenses, overhead costs, and charitable activities of The Overtones, who perform primarily in churches and in community settings for free-will offerings or donations.

Tickets ordered by Oct. 31 will be mailed. Orders received after that will be held at Will Call.

CRAM FEST & EVENING OF GIVING TICKET FROM

NFF Member _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____ Phone _____

Number of tickets for CRAM fest concert (Nov. 16)

_____ Reserved seats/priority section (\$15)=\$ _____
_____ General Admission for public (\$10)=\$ _____
_____ General Admission for students (\$5)=\$ _____

Number of tickets Simon Evening of Giving (Nov. 23)

_____ General Admission (\$10) = \$ _____

**Caring Donation (to use wherever needed
in supporting the NFF) = \$ _____**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDER = \$ _____

**Please make checks payable to:
National Football Foundation**

**Mail checks to:
NFF Chapter, 320 Dehart St., West Lafayette, IN 47906**

GIVING (CONTINUED)

Tickets, priced at \$10 each, may be ordered on the form below, with all of the money from ticket sales going to charities, either the foundation selling the tickets (in our case the NFF scholarship fund) or the Simon Youth Foundation. The mission of the Simon Youth Foundation is to positively impact the lives of today's youth through two initiatives: Education Resource Centers and scholarship programs. The Simon Youth Foundation was established by Simon Property Group, owners of Tippecanoe Mall.

"Simon Evening of Giving has a special atmosphere," said Tim Brandenburg, Area Marketing Director. "Every shopper in the mall that evening has donated to worthwhile local charities through the purchase of their event ticket. Simon Evening of Giving is a wonderful way to start the holiday season."

Special features include: free food sampling, family entertainment, door prizes and special mall retailer discounts! Nearly 60 stores in the mall are offering discounts and specials, ranging from 10 percent to 60 percent off.

In 2007, Simon Evening of Giving and Simon Day of Giving raised more than \$1.6 million for 2,329 local, regional and national charities across the country.

Tickets ordered by Nov. 19 will be mailed. Orders received after that will be returned. There is no Will Call.

LEVI RIGGS

Product Order Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Quantity:

_____ LEVI RIGGS (Debut Self-Titled CD).....\$15

_____ Official LEVI RIGGS "LR" Logo T-Shirt CIRCLE SIZE: S M L XL.....\$10

_____ \$2.00 Shipping & Handling for CDs

_____ \$5.00 Shipping and Handling for T-Shirt

_____ **Total Amount Enclosed**

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(Allow 10 business days for shipping.)