

“GIVING THANKS”

*Glenwood School for Boys and Girls Celebrates its
Mission and Accomplishments on Behalf of Chicago Area Children
at its 59th Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon*



*John Irwin is presented the
4th Annual Legacy of Service Award
for his 17 years of dedication to the
children at Glenwood School for Boys
and Girls.*

Glenwood, IL, November 20, 2007 – Glenwood School for Boys and Girls, a community supported charity that provides life-changing opportunities to disadvantaged children and families in the Chicago region, has much to be thankful for this holiday season. On Thursday November 15th, more than 700 donors, volunteers, board members, staff and students gathered at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers to celebrate Glenwood’s 59th Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon.

This annual event, gives Glenwood’s students the chance to meet and dine with the donors who make the program possible, while showcasing different aspects of Glenwood’s program. Guests enjoyed student performances by the jazz band, South Campus choir and a collaborative performance by members of the Rathje Campus and drumline.

Highlighting the day’s theme of “Give Thanks”, Matthew S. Darnall Chairman of Glenwood’s Board of Trustees, talked about the things Glenwood has to be thankful for including the successes of the children at Glenwood, the organization’s dedicated board members, staff and entire support community. “Glenwood has had another wonderful year of service to children in need. We have so much for which we give thanks,” said Matthew S. Darnall.

To emphasize this point, Jataun Evans, a Glenwood parent, talked about how Glenwood has given her much to be thankful for. “I give thanks because I no longer have to worry about my

children being fed or getting help with their homework. I give thanks because I know they are in a warm, positive place where they are getting the attention and structure they need.” Evans said. “Bringing my children to Glenwood has truly been a life-changing opportunity for my family and me.”

The fourth annual Legacy of Service Award was presented to John F. Irwin, Glenwood’s retiring President & Chief Executive Officer for his 17 years of service to children at Glenwood. The Legacy of Service award recognizes people who have made an outstanding commitment to Glenwood by giving selflessly of their time, talent and resources. Glenwood Honorary Life Trustee, George S. Spindler, wrote “the most impressive thing about John is the size of his heart. He really cares about the kids entrusted to him. You can’t fool kids at all when it comes to knowing the sincerity of adults. They recognize John: the big guy with a big heart.”

Glenwood students agree and after speaking to how he personally made a difference in their lives, four students and one alum presented Irwin with a framed mosaic of Glenwood’s South Campus, comprised of more than 1,200 pictures of individuals who’s lives have been touched during Irwin’s service to Glenwood.

During the program, Glenwood publicly launched a new scholarship campaign “Glenwood. For Children. Forever.” The campaign is chaired by Board of Trustee members Norman H. Wesley, Robert J. Darnall and David Vitale. The initial phase of the campaign has raised commitments of more than \$10 million dollars.

The staff and students at Glenwood also expressed their appreciation to the sponsors of this year’s Thanksgiving Luncheon.

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