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### **Laura Lee Hervey Fund for TBI Benefits from Fundraiser at Wendell August Forge, Exton**

Wendell August Forge in Exton, Pa, recently donated \$700 to the Chester County Community Foundation for the benefit of the Laura Lee Hervey Traumatic Brain Injury Fund. The donation represents a portion of their sales at a special event at the Forge on November 19. Guests enjoyed shopping for decorative items for home décor, holiday ornaments, jewelry, and other products which are handmade by craftsmen on the forge.

Wendell August Forge is located at Main Street in Exton, Pa. The shop features artisans and craftsmen who create each piece in a processes utilized by Mr. Wendell August and his early blacksmiths in the 1920's. Each piece is made in America...one-at-a-time, by hand by some of the finest metal-smiths in the world.

A number of community partners supported the evening, including Patty Brown of Prudential Real Estate, Page O'Keefe, Estee Lauder at Macy's, Colleen Robustelli of Mary Kay Cosmetics, Benari Jewelers, Downingtown Country Club, Sen. Andrew Dinniman, Pat Reeser of Carlisle Apparel, and others. Flowers by Priscilla and Jean Pierre Bournazer of Strawberry Bakery in Frazier assisted with the reception.

The Laura Lee Hervey Fund was established at the Chester County Community Foundation in December 2007 to make grants to charitable causes and progressive medical research related to traumatic brain injury (TBI).It was created as a tribute to Laura Lee Hervey, who suffered severe brain injury in a car accident in 1986 and has undergone rehabilitation since that time. Donations to the fund are entrusted with the Chester County Community Foundation and invested so that the Fund and its mission may continue for perpetuity.

Located in downtown West Chester, the Chester County Community Foundation leads, inspires and encourages all individuals and organizations to create or contribute to lasting philanthropic charitable legacies. The Community Foundation holds over \$24 million in trust and by administering funds helps more than 275 individuals, families and nonprofits who want to provide a charitable legacy for their community forever. Annually the Community Foundation awards about \$2 million in grants and scholarships. For more information about the Chester County Community Foundation, visit [www.chescofc.org](http://www.chescofc.org) or call (610) 696-8211. ###

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