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Care and Counseling's 2018 Jubilee Gala Raises over \$200,000 to support local Mental Health Services

ST. LOUIS -- Care and Counseling is pleased to announce that the 2018 Jubilee Gala on Saturday, May 2, 2018 was a great success. This year's event celebrated the organization's 50th Anniversary milestone. Thanks to the generosity of our gala chairs, Kathie and Richard Winter as well as sponsors, attendees and all who supported the event, the organization raised \$213,000 to support mental health services for the greater St. Louis community.

This year's event was held at the The Ritz, St. Louis and featured live entertainment by the Ellenwood Sisters and Rhythm of the Night along with a live auction. The 288 attendees had an opportunity to learn more about Care and Counseling from Executive Director, Rev. Amy Bertschausen who spoke about the important work and mission of Care and Counseling. Event emcee, Charlie Brennan and auctioneer, Fletcher added to the excitement of the evening.

Care and Counseling was honored to present the "Heart of Care and Counseling

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Award” to Eden Theological Seminary and Episcopal City Mission, two of the founding organizations of Care and Counseling in 1968. Sue Stepleton accepted the award on behalf of Eden Seminary and Beth Goad accepted the award on behalf of Episcopal City Mission.

“The annual gala is such a wonderful night for Care and Counseling,” said Bertschausen. “This year was even more special as we celebrated our 50th Anniversary in the greater St. Louis community! Funds raised from this event allow Care and Counseling to continue offering a wide welcome to all who come to us seeking help regardless of financial resources or access to insurance,” she added.

Thank you again to 2018 Jubilee Gala Corporate Sponsors: Garden View Care Center, World Wide Technology, The Steward Family Foundation, Centene Charitable Foundation, Delmar Gardens, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner, Flooring Systems, Inc., Southern Glazer’s Wine & Spirits, Missouri Foundation for Health, US Private Wealth Management, Busey Bank and Gershman Foundation. And thank you to Gold, Silver and Bronze Individual Sponsors: Revs. Amy and Roger Bertschausen, Jerry Cooper, Carol & Dave Fleisher, Sr., Marilyn & Dale Kuhn, Ann Johanson, Joseph Lindell, Jr., Sharon & John Marbarger, Jr., Susan and Ted Peachee, Mia and J.R. Walters, Ann & Keith Fischer, Tegeler Foundation and K & Paul Wentzien.

The Mission of Care and Counseling is to enhance emotional, relational and spiritual well-being through quality and affordable counseling, professional training and community education. Established in 1968, Care and Counseling is the St. Louis Region’s only accredited, interfaith, nonprofit counseling organization providing professional and compassionate mental health services, professional training and community education.

Care and Counseling provides services through the main office in Creve Coeur and three satellite offices throughout the greater St. Louis area.

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