



The Rider-Pool Foundation Receives Will Shakespeare Award

The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival kicked off its 2010 season with a gala on June 5 at DeSales University.

The dinner was also the setting for the group's Will Shakespeare Award presentation. This annual tribute is bestowed on the person, group or organization that enriches the world, inspires others through luminosity of spirit and engages society in a manner that leaves a lasting impression.

This year's recipient is The Rider-Pool Foundation, a sponsor and supporter of the festival for 18 years. The Foundation's intent is to serve as a means to improve the quality of life in the community, to build on the community's strengths and add to its vitality, and to increase the capacity of the community to serve the needs of all its citizens.

The award was accepted by Edward F. Meehan, executive director of The Foundation. "On behalf of the staff and trustees of The Rider-Pool Foundation, we are grateful to the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival for the Will Shakespeare award. The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival is a fine organization, one that has become an integral part of the Lehigh Valley scene in a very short period of years."



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l to r: John Russo, President of PSF's Board of Directors, Edward F. Meehan, Executive Director of The Rider-Pool Foundation, and Patrick Mulcahy, PSF's Producing Artistic Director