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### **Cancer Services Accepting Nominations for Champion of Hope Award**

Last year, Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana introduced the William A. Kunkel III Champion of Hope Award, an honor designed to recognize an individual who embodies the mission of Cancer Services through his or her lifelong commitment to enhancing the quality of life of those affected by cancer in Northeast Indiana

“Our clients tell us all of the time that having caring companionship and practical help means so much on a difficult cancer journey,” says Jill Nichols, co-chair of the Champions of Hope Selection committee. “It is important that we honor those who have made that assistance possible.”

Cancer Services’ board of directors bestowed the first award on its namesake, William A. Kunkel III, who has served in many volunteer roles, including board member since 1959.

“Bill’s service to Cancer Services has been exemplary,” says Tom Horton, co-chair of the Champions of Hope Selection committee. “The award was an honor long overdue.”

Cancer Services is accepting nominations for this year’s award. The recipient should demonstrate an unparalleled devotion to the organization as a volunteer, advocate, friend and companion, leading by example and exhibiting unwavering compassion.

Please visit our website to fill out the nomination form: [www.cancer-services.org](http://www.cancer-services.org). Be sure to include information regarding how the nominee demonstrates leadership, compassion, and devotion to Cancer Services, including examples which address quality of life issues for people with cancer.

Nominations may be submitted by June 1, 2011 to Dianne May, Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, 6316 Mutual Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46825, or via email to [dmay@cancer-services.org](mailto:dmay@cancer-services.org).

### ***About Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana***

Cancer Services’ mission is to enhance the quality of life of those affected by cancer by providing meaningful resources, information and compassionate assistance. Last year, more than 3,000 local people with cancer and their families received emotional support and practical resources for their cancer journey. Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana helps people who live in Allen, Adams, DeKalb, Huntington, Kosciusko, Lagrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley counties.

For more information, visit [www.cancer-services.org](http://www.cancer-services.org), or call toll free (866)484-9560.