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GermanFest 2010!

Saturday, October 9, 2010, 12 noon to 6 pm

The Athenaeum, a unique community treasure with popular events all under one roof, relies on your support!

The Athenaeum Foundation needs *your* support to ensure it will continue to serve the Indianapolis community, as it has for more than a hundred years.

As president of the Athenaeum Foundation, I have had the amazing gift to get to know many people who have been involved with the Athenaeum for decades. Recently, I had a fascinating conversation with Dr. Carl Sputh who was chairman of the Board of the Athenaeum from 1990-1994. During our conversation, Dr. Sputh shared many of his memories. He recalls as a young child, coming to the Athenaeum with his parents and sleeping next to the fireplace in the Rathskeller while his parents socialized with friends nearby. He remembers hearing opera singers, orchestras and bands in the theatre. He told me stories of going to gym class every Tuesday night and Saturday morning for tumbling and calisthenics because there was no physical education taught in the schools at that time. His fondest memories are dances in the biergarten packed with people and friends dancing to an orchestra under the stars.

I think it is important to preserve landmarks, such as the Athenaeum that reflect our culture and history, just as a family preserves its heritage and traditions. True today as it was decades ago, the Athenaeum, is a place for conversation, culture and celebration. Even as Dr. Sputh remembers dancing and listening to music in the biergarten, new generations are continuing that tradition as the biergarten is one of the most popular venues in downtown Indianapolis.

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