

2014 ISPN Foundation at the 2014 ISPN Annual Conference

Join the ISPN Foundation for ***“Laughter: The Foundation of a Good of a Good Life,”*** at our special event on Thursday evening during the Annual ISPN Conference from 5:45pm to 7:30pm. Tickets are only \$45, so be sure to get your ticket when you register for the conference. We are starting the fundraising event earlier this year to still allow you time to “go out on the town” and take advantage of Greenville’s wonderful restaurants, shops, and night life. We are offering light hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar. In addition to our annual silent auction (with a little live action at the end by our now famous auctioneer extraordinaire Peggy Dulaney), we will have a special entertainment treat provided by the comedy troupe from ***“Café and Then Some,”*** who will entertain us with some side-splitting stories. So come prepared to support the ISPN Foundation while having fun and fellowship!

In addition.....In the spirit of fair trade and the global mission of ISPN, the Foundation is also offering ***beautiful handmade African Jewelry at the conference by “Brass Images”*** of Plettenberg, South Africa. The organization employs 15 people from the local community to help create high quality fashion jewelry. As demand grows, the organization hires and trains more artisans, providing sustainable income in an area in need of employment. Solid brass and copper are the base materials of the product. By applying extreme heat, the artisans create the interesting patterns and effects on the jewelry. No dyes are used. Each item is entirely handmade and a one-of-a-kind piece of art. You will absolutely fall in love with the jewelry so stop by our ISPN Foundation table during the conference.

Finally, the ISPN Foundation is launching an exciting new initiative at the Greenville conference to foster planned giving to the Foundation. **The Lamplighter Campaign** will give conference attendees the opportunity to make a donation of any amount to the ISPN Foundation. Donors who pledge at least \$100 per year for 5 years will be designated as “Lamplighters” and will receive a special gift for their willingness to “shine a light in the darkness”. Pledge cards for the Lamplight Campaign will be included in the attendee packets and will also be available from all Foundation Board members wearing a button that says “Ask me how to become a Lamplighter”. In appreciation for all donations to the ISPN Foundation throughout the year, all current donors will be given a special ribbon to wear on their conference ID badges. In the future, we will begin to recognize donors by levels of total annual giving. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity!

We look forward to seeing you in Greenville!

The ISPN Foundation Board

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