

# **Purdue University Retirees Association Kickoff Luncheon Committee Annual Report, 2010-2011**

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## **Purpose**

The Kickoff Luncheon celebrates the start of the program year for PURA. It provides an opportunity for retirees to hear about the “State of the University” from a University administrator and a chance to reconnect with friends and former colleagues.

## **2010 Luncheon**

The 2010 Luncheon was held on August 30 at the University Plaza Hotel. There were 258 reservations; approximately 230 people actually attended. Vic Lechtenberg, Vice Provost for Engagement, provided an interesting and stimulating update on the “State of the University”. The Betty M. Nelson Award was presented to Roy Johnson.

A popular aspect of the luncheon is the array of door prizes given throughout the meal. More than 50 attendees received prizes donated by 24 vendors with a collective value in excess of \$1,864.