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### **Arthritis Research Center Thanks Their Patients “In Style”**

More than 200 research volunteers and long-time patients attended the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Arthritis Appreciation dinner on Tuesday evening, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Dutch’s Daughter.

Lois Walden, RN from the FMH Wellness Center delivered a “Lesson in Laughter: Humor and Health.” Mrs. Walden’s mission is teaching people about the humor and health connection.

Dr. Nathan Wei provided a brief presentation explaining the success of current medications available to those with arthritis.

The evening culminated with a long list of door prizes, which included an amazing print from Mr. Charles Marvil in Sharpsburg, MD, a prize winning framed photograph from Mr. Seth Marvil, a watercolor from Mr. Clyde Roberts, carved wood birds from renowned woodcarver, Mr. David Flora, handmade crafts, gift certificates and beautiful baskets from patients and local businesses to name a few. Mrs. Marietta Anderson said, “It was a very lovely affair, and it was so nice to spend time with the people who have helped me feel so much better since I moved to Frederick. Thanks for a very special night.”

The Arthritis Research Institute was founded in 1999 providing funding to both traditional and alternative research in arthritis, arthritis patients who are unable to afford their prescribed arthritis treatments, and provides scholarships for children with arthritis.

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