## **Press Release**

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First Security Bank, headquartered in Owensboro, Kentucky held its Celebration Dinner on January 22, at Indian Hills Country Club in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Over 160 people from Evansville, IN, Bowling Green, Franklin and Owensboro, KY enjoyed dinner and entertainment by a Bluegrass band from Owensboro named Straight Laced,

M. Lynn Cooper, President and CEO discussed the record breaking year for growth and earnings and thanked everyone for their contribution to the success of the company.

The following award recipients were announced in recognition for their achievements in 2010:

Jeanie Wahl, E-Banking Specialist, was honored as the 2010 Employee of the Year. This award was presented for providing extraordinary customer service throughout the year. Jeanie was also recognized for her loyalty and dedication to First Security Bank, and exemplifies an excellent attitude of which all should strive.

Wendell Burkhart, S.V.P. and Chief Operations Officer, was named the 2010 CEO Award recipient. The annual CEO Award is presented to someone who has illustrated strong performance and leadership. Of significant note was Wendell's leadership during the Integra integration this past summer.

Kathy Humm, V.P. and Mortgage Loan Manager for Evansville, was awarded the 2010 Super Star Award. This award is presented to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the reputation, growth, and profitability of First Security Bank.

The **Branch Office of the Year award for 2010** was the **Evansville Office**. This award is given to the top performing Office each year. At the end of 2010, the Evansville Office had assets that exceeded \$54 million and the office made a profit of nearly ½ million dollars after taxes in 2010.