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**“THE JIMMY STEWART WONDERFUL BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL”-CELEBRATING
JIMMY’S 110TH BIRTHDAY!-BAILEY AWARD TO ROCKY BLEIRER-JUDY STEWART
TO JOIN IN FESTIVITIES! May 18th - 20th, 2018**

A variety of events in honor of the 110th anniversary of the birth of James Stewart has been announced by Foundation President, Timothy F. Harley. The weekend kicks off with the George Bailey Awards Dinner honoring Steelers great Rocky Bleier at Indiana’s Rustic Lodge. The event begins on Friday, May 18th with a cocktail reception at 6pm followed by the dinner and ceremony. Judy Stewart will join Board Chairman Gerard Thomchick to make the presentation. Tickets are \$45.00 per person. Please call the Museum for reservations (724-349-6112).

On Saturday, May 19th, the Museum will present a birthday gift to the community in the form of “The Randy Riggle Nostalgia Show” at 1:30 at the Indiana Theater. Riggle has performed his family-friendly show at prestigious sites across the country, including Caesars Palace, the Liberace Museum, the Flamingo Hotel and many nationally known comedy venues. Judy Stewart will be on hand to introduce this exciting and fun look back at the 50s and 60s. Admission is free and limited to the first 270 guests. Later in the day, The Experimental Aircraft Association will present a program on the restoration of Jimmy Stewart’s Airplane at the Main Terminal of the Jimmy Stewart Airport. Beginning at 2:30, they will share a slide show on the project, and then the plane will be displayed outside the building for all to see. Carson Greene will contribute personal anecdotes about his flying career and Mr. Stewart in 1960. Judy Stewart will also make an appearance during this presentation which is open to the public.

The Museum’s Saturday Matinee at 1:00 will be Mr. Stewart’s classic performance in “It’s a Wonderful Life.” Regular admission fees will apply.

On Sunday, May 20th, the birthday of James Stewart will be celebrated at the Museum with a variety of free events beginning at 11 am. The Punxsutawney Chapter of the American Automobile Association will be showcasing a selection of antique autos curbside on Philadelphia Street. There will be special film showings in the Museum Theater throughout the day. At 1:30 there will be a birthday cake and sing-along. At 2:00, Judy Stewart will make remarks and introduce the incomparable “Michelangelo Master Magician,” who will delight guests with his feats of prestidigitation. The performance is free and limited to the first 50 guests. The Museum will close at 4:00.