**DuPage PADS**

**Volunteers Inspire Our Community**

In celebration of National Volunteer Appreciation week last month, we are presenting a special edition of our DuPage PADS View. We hope to commemorate in a small way the tremendous impact our dedicated volunteers have on the lives of the men, women and children we serve. Whether collecting socks, mentoring a new housing tenant, serving on a committee or preparing a home-cooked meal for an overnight site, each volunteer makes a difference. Turn to the next page to read more...

Did you know that our PADS Partners are a core group of over 300 individuals and businesses who help us create a working model to end homelessness in our County by providing crucial operational support? For less than $1.50 a day, our PADS Partners help DuPage PADS assist people who are homeless and in crisis to overcome the hardships they face and live independent lives.

Look inside to see who just joined us as new PADS Partners...

DuPage PADS is committed to ending homelessness in DuPage County.

**DuPage PADS Events**

**Saturday, September 11th, 2010, Starting Time 8:00 a.m.**

PADS Run/Walk 2010 10K/5K Run & 5K Walk

DuPage PADS Support Center, Wheaton

Reserve September 11th for the PADS Run/Walk 2010! The CARA-approved course will appeal to serious runners, casual joggers and families. Walkers will enjoy strolling through Wheaton before joining the runners for music, refreshments, and prizes. Participants can collect $125 or more in donations to waive registration fee! 150 volunteers are needed to ensure the success of this event. Call Lisa at 630.682.3946 x222.

**Wednesday, November 3rd, 2010, 7 to 8:30 a.m.**

“Wake Up Your Spirit” Breakfast - Benedictine University, Lisle

The seventh annual “Wake Up Your Spirit” Breakfast will take place on Wednesday, November 3, from 7:00 – 8:30 a.m. at the Krasa Center at Benedictine University in Lisle. Keynote speaker to be announced. Join us for a morning of inspiration. Visit www.dupagepads.org or call Tim Walker at 630.682.3946 x222 to register.

**Sunday, October 17th, 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Rotary Club of Naperville’s Soup’s On!

Wheaton World Headquarters, Naperville

Enjoy delicious “soup mug” dishes and decadent desserts made by local area restaurants at the “Soup’s On!” fundraiser. For more information, go to www.soupsonrotary.com.

**Keep Informed!**

Join our Action League to receive updates on what DuPage PADS is doing to end homelessness in our community and how you help make it happen! Go to www.dupagepads.org and click on the Action League icon.
THANKS

Family Support Team, First United Methodist Church, Glen Ellyn

John and Cindy Sheely have been volunteering with PADS for 23 years. When the site moved from St. Walter’s to St. Isidore’s, volunteers were required to travel an additional 7 miles. John encouraged them by saying, “It’s not about us...it’s about the people who are homeless.”

Dianne Niemann, dinner coordinator since 1987, John Sheely, and Cindy Sheely, long time site coordinator from Roselle United Methodist Church

Thank you to these 26 generous restaurants, and over 400 guests for making “Taste of Hope: Chefs Uniting to End Homelessness” such a great success, raising over $101,000 for the programs and services of DuPage PADS!

TASTE OF HOPE

Tasty Success

Volunteers serve holiday cheer along with much of the daytime Support Center

Visitors are invited to share more information and to join the Action League at www.dupagepads.org. Discover simple ways to make a big impact in the lives of the people we serve.

THANKS

for your Support!

Support Team, DuPage Lutheran Emmanuel, Naperville

Ruth Elliott has been volunteering with DuPage PADS for over 5 years and brings her 3 children. They all enjoy the direct contact with the clients, in particular the children we serve. Her son Graham gets a “warm fuzzy feeling from helping others.” Nicole Wight’s daughter Melissa describes her work at DuPage PADS in this way, “It makes me feel good and it’s fun too!”

Patti reflects that the “the face of homelessness in America has changed” and after her volunteer shift is over “feels good when she leaves” and this keeps her coming back.

“DuPage PADS Partners help create an environment of financial stability and support where creativity, hope and inspiration can thrive,” Tim Walker, Director of Development.

Welcome New Partners!

Ms. Lisa Orland & Mr. Brian Broderick
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gada
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Cummings
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fischer
Mr. William Hamik
Mr. & Mrs. Lou Holland
Mr. Bill Jen
Mr. & Mrs. Hlava Keane
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Maray
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Nebens
Ms. Paul Partipilo
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Pocci
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Beyersdorf
Ms. Dana Bieker
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Siles
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Webb
Mr. & Mrs. Bill White