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### **SAVE**the Date

For more information on all these exciting events, go to our website at www.dupagepads.org!

**Events that Support DuPage PADS** A portion of the proceeds from these events support the programs and services of DuPage PADS.

#### **Thursday, July 1st – Sunday, July 4th, 2010** Naperville Exchange Club's Ribfest

Knoch Park, Naperville

Voted the Best Festival in the Midwest 14 years in a row, RIBFEST usbers in the July 4th weekend each year. Don't miss your chance to volunteer and enjoy the festival when your shift is over! For more info about volunteer opportunities and to register, call Ann at 630.682.3846 ×234. Visit www.ribfest.net for event details.

#### Sunday, August 1st, 2010, Starting Time 6:30 a.m. Rotary Club of Naperville Sunrise Carmen DiGiovine 2010 Memorial Bike Ride

#### *Crone Middle School, Naperville (111th Street & 248th Street)*

Ride for a cause and collect sponsor donations. Register at www.napervillesunrise.com We also need riders and volunteers. Contact Ann at 630.682.3846 ×234 for more information.

Sunday, October 17th, 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Rotary Club of Naperville's Soup's ON! Tellabs World Headquarters, Naperville

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

#### **DuPage PADS Events**

#### Saturday, September 11th, 2010, Starting time 8:00 a.m.

#### PADS Run/Walk 2010 10K/5K Run & 3K Walk DuPage PADS Support Center, Wheaton

Reserve September 11th for the PADS Run/Walk 2009! 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 Tim at 630.682.3846 ×222.

#### 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 630.682.3846 x222 to register.

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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. Mary Pat Wesche, President Ernie Pierz, Vice President John Adams, Treasurer Laura Hernandez, Secretary

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### Volunteers Inspire Our Community

n 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...



High school students help out on moving day for a Supportive Housing Tenant.



Runners and walkers alike enjoy the fun at the PADS Run/Walk.





Taste of Hope guests enjoyed great food and an evening with friends

Throw yourself into some work you believe in with all your beart and you will find happiness that you had thought could never be yours.

– Dale Carnegie



Sunday school students from Southminster Presbyterian in Glen Ellyn collect \$892 in pennies for the Get on the Bus program.



Lisa Kortenboeven, Brenda Todd, site coordinator, and Becky Cook from College Church, Wheaton

Brenda enjoys interacting with the guests. "When a guest is in need of something, the volunteers rally around them to offer them support and help them fulfill that need," she remarks.

An eye opening experience is the way Lisa and Becky described their volunteer experience. Becky grew up in Wheaton and was surprised that homelessness was an issue in DuPage County.



Support Team, DuPage Unitarian Universalist, 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!"

## Focus on/OLUNTEERS

Captain Kurt Schlueter is with the Western Springs Fire Department. He is recognized as the official dishwasher and stirrer and has been coming to help out at the St. Margaret Mary site for over a year.



Captain Kurt Schlueter



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

Beth Smith, along with her mom and dad (Dennis and Joy

Murphy) and her sister Bonnie, has been volunteering with

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."



Volunteers serve boliday cheer along with meals at the daytime Support Center.

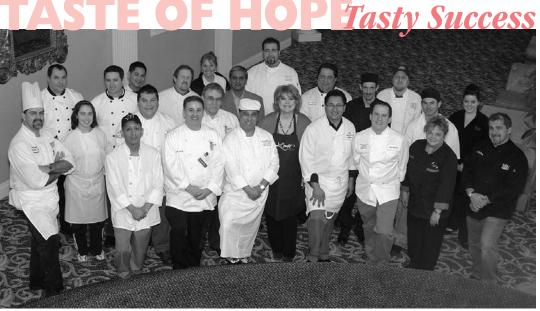
Laurel became involved with DuPage PADS about a year and a half ago. At the sites, she sees the "distressing disguise of those in need" and views volunteering as an opportunity to encourage others and to lend support. John has been cooking up his special pork tenderloin meal for the guests at the First Church of Lombard site for over 2 years.



Support Team from the Sai Group

Rupa Sanku volunteers as a way to give back, but feels she receives much more than she gives. Working with our clients she sees the "face of human suffering in America." Rupa has travelled to many countries where poverty is out in the open "in the streets". However, there is "hidden poverty" in DuPage County and DuPage PADS gives her the opportunity to reach out.

Chandrika Haldrpurkar has been volunteering with PADS for 6 years. She hopes to reduce the suffering of the clients in any way possible and feels their appreciation.



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!





Nancy Johnston, Patti Lam, and Cindy Mattucci from St. Johns. Darien

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.



Family Support Team, First United Methodist Church, Glen Ellyn



Motber and daugbter team Ann and Katie Zwolski from Roselle United Methodist Church

5 years ago Ann made a New Years resolution to start giving back to her community and she began volunteering with PADS. She truly enjoys sharing the experience with her daughter and believes that "life is too short; we all have to help".



John Jaska from Calvary Episcopal, Lombard and Laurel Heiss from Lor



St. Matthew's volunteers are all smiles while preparing a meal at Peace Lutheran.





"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 Cleland & Mr. Brian Broihier Mr. & Mrs. Larry Cada Mr. & Mrs. Chris Cummings Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fischer Mr. William Hamik Mr. & Mrs. Lou Holland Mr. Bill Ien Mr. & Mrs. Blaise Keane Mr. & Mrs. Eric Matway Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Niehaus Ms. Paul Partipilo Mr. & Mrs. Donald Pocci Mr. & Mrs. Rav Revnertson Ms. Diana Riekse Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Stiven Mr. & Mrs. Robert Webb Mr. & Mrs. Bill White

