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# Role Call

Reaching Out Lifting to Excellence

## Roots Community Garden Cookbook

What is a gardener to do during the winter months?

How about sharing your favorite garden recipe for our first Roots Garden Cookbook? It's easy to participate! Templates are available in the Family Learning Lab and the POC front desk. Or, you can download the template on our

Roots Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/RootsCommunityGarden](http://www.facebook.com/RootsCommunityGarden) and email your recipe to us at [palatineopportunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:palatineopportunitycenter@gmail.com).

We look forward to sharing our recipes with you!



April B. of WINGS and Courtney R. of the YMCA enjoying networking & hot apple cider at ROLE's Annual Cookie Exchange



Above left: A future ROLE member receives warm winter accessories thanks to your many donations. Above right: Luz S. and Rosa V. sew burp cloths, blankets and bibs for new moms.



## Thank you for a wonderful Holiday Season

This past Holiday Season was simply "amazing" thanks to our wonderful ROLE members. Thank you to each of you who participated in our First Annual Bake Sale and who shared with us in our Annual ROLE Cookie Exchange. Thank you to all of you who took time from your busy holiday schedules to sew or crochet blankets, bibs and burp clothes for our Promotoras de Salud (Community Health Promoters). Finally, thank you to all of you who have donated money, time and resources to help POC clients in need. Our Holiday Season was amazing because of you! Here is a tidbit on the many great things you have done for our community:

Childcare volunteer: Angelica Rangel  
Donation of socks for POC's Giving Tree: Sue Kiewert  
Donation of toys for a family in need: Katlin Millin  
Donation of early childhood learning toys: Lee Concha  
Donation of scarves for POC's Giving Tree: Eileen Kushner  
Gift for ROOTS Garden families: Thrive Vineyard Church: Molly Kiefer  
Snowpants for children: Deer Grove Covenant Church: Sandy Soria  
Nancy Grybash and Christina Lara for raising \$2300 for I-Compete  
\$5000 grant for POC through Causes Campaign: Liza Gutierrez  
\$8320 grant for POC through the Murray Foundation: Colleen Althoff

## Come ROLE with us!

Join us as we learn about important health topics, gather for inspiration, help our community grow, and have some fun along the way!

You must **RSVP** at **847-776-9500 X 222** OR email us at [palatineopportunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:palatineopportunitycenter@gmail.com) with the event title and date.

**February 6<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) at 11:30 am: Roots Garden Cookbook Lunch Meeting** in the Family Learning Lab at POC. Bring your favorite recipes & ideas. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome.

**February 7<sup>th</sup> to March 9<sup>th</sup> (Thursdays & Saturdays): How to Start Your Own Business Seminar:** Every Thursday at 7 pm & Saturday at 1 pm join local business owners & small businesses development counselors from Harper College who will help you learn about marketing, financing and legalizing your business in the Family Learning Lab at POC.

**February 21<sup>st</sup> (Thursday) 11 am: Role's Field Trip to Morkes Chocolate** on Rand Rd. in Palatine. Join fellow ROLE members on this tasty trip near the POC.

**March 21<sup>st</sup> (Thursday) at 10 am to 2 pm: Sow a Seed for Roots Community Garden** in the Family Learning Lab at POC. Join our local community as we kick-start the gardening season by planting seeds for our vegetable garden.

**April 10<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) 11 am: Lunch and Learn** with Nurse Jensen. Bring a bagged lunch. Topic to be announced.

**April 25<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) from 9 am to 2 pm: POC's Biannual Artisan's Market.** A percentage of all profits benefit vital POC programs. This is a great opportunity to find unique Mother's Day gifts!

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm: POC's Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser** at Falcon Park. Don't forget to get your ticket on time to this fun filled event benefiting the POC. Raffle prizes, cash bar, networking and more.

**May 9<sup>th</sup> (Thursday): ROLE's Annual Tea.** Bring your purse and a friend to this fun and inspiring get together at the POC Family Learning Lab.

**May 11<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 9am: Roots Community Garden's First Planting of the Season** at Roots Community Garden on Hicks Rd. Join our staff, ROLE members and community families as we plant our first seedlings of the year in the garden.



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### ROLE's Mission

To open a world of possibilities by investing time and talents into the lives of women in need and to help them pay it forward.

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