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ROLE Call

Reaching Out, Lifting to Excellence



ROLE members have started the year on a "ROLE".

Here is a peek at what has been accomplished in just the first two months of 2012.



Congratulations to . . .

...**Rosa Vazquez** who worked with **Christina Johnson** as her tutor and received her Certified Nursing Assistant Certificate.
...**Luz Sanchez** in obtaining her GED. She is currently enrolled at Harper taking her first psychology class alongside **Ana Flores**. **Dr. John McGillen** and **Lori Nowacki** are generously donating their time in tutoring both Ana and Luz.



Thank you to . . .

...**Maria Hurtado** for her help during vocational programs. Maria has been involved in the POC since elementary school. She recently graduated with her certification in medical terminology. Maria currently works in the medical field and as one of POC's receptionists.
...**Corinna Castanon**, Junior Leader, for volunteering at Edgebrook's After School program and for providing childcare for POC programming
...**Nallely Kaplan** of Harris Bank for the donation of the "queen's chair"
...**Molly Kiefer** of Thrive Vineyard Church for volunteering at Edgebrook and donations for local families.
...**Bridget Witt** from Palatine Bank and Trust for the donations of coats for children
... **Annie Hogan** and **Lori Nowacki** for planning the next ROLE events



Reaching Out to Our Community

ROLE has received a special invite to develop the POC Community Garden near the Fire Department on Hicks and Dundee Rds. Working alongside the Palatine Fire Department, Park District and other contributors, we hope to create a beautiful space that gives back to our community. Kathy Millin, Lori Laskowske, Liza Gutierrez, Lori Nowacki, Maria Sanchez, Annie Morel, Nancy Grybash and Elisa Castañon have already started to organize this project. However, we are in need of ROLE volunteers that don't mind getting their hands dirty. To sign up, please give your name and contact information to Elisa at the POC front desk. If gardening is not your thing, we need volunteers for 5 de Mayo, Day of the Child, On Call volunteers, Learning Lab tutors and more. Your time makes a world of a difference!



"Gardens, scholars say, are the first sign of commitment to a community. When people plant corn they are saying, let's stay here. And by their connection to the land, they are connected to one another" Anne Raver



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