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ROLE Call

Reaching Out Lifting to Excellence

Meet Linda Bruce, Role's Volunteer of the Year!

Linda is a licensed clinical social worker, philanthropist and owner of Soulful Prairies. Soulful Prairies is a sustainable 80-acre farm owned by Linda and her husband, Robert. Linda first joined ROLE by donating pumpkins grown on her farm to our Annual Fall Artisan's Market. This year, Linda worked with POC's fundraising team and donated space to POC's first Farm to Table Fundraiser. She transformed the barn at Soulful Prairies into an elegant dining venue and guests were enchanted with the result.

Soulful Prairies is a welcoming place where people can take a deep breath, unwind, learn and grow. Currently Soulful Prairies hosts a Grow and Share farming project where participants donate a portion of what they produce to local food pantries. Soulful Prairies will soon be hosting educational clinics in areas ranging from organic farming and prairie restoration to equine and human development. In addition Linda will be offering a program where individuals partner with horses to grow and heal. Thank you Linda for making our first Farm to Table Fundraiser a remarkable success!



Last year, Anne Lawrence brought us "Purse-a-palooza" and collected over \$500 for POC programs. This year she is collecting scarves for ROLE's "Scads of Scarves Sale" that will take place during our Fall Artisan's Market. All of the proceeds from "Scads of Scarves" benefit POC family programs. To donate your gently used scarves drop them off at the POC front desk. For more information on this year's Fall Artisan's Market, email us at palatineopportunitycenter@gmail.com.

Save the Date!

Fall Football Fundraiser November 24th 11:30am to 3:30pm

Join in on the fun in this year's fundraiser. Tickets are only \$30, tax-deductible & include a \$30 guest pass to Golf Nation.

Purchase tickets online at palatineopportunitycenter.org.

Artisan's Market November 21st 9am to 2 pm

Join fellow Role members for hot apple cider & cookies while getting an early start on your Holiday shopping. Crafters donate a percentage of proceeds to POC programs.



Thank you Diane Filbin of BMO Harris Bank for this year's ROLE field trip. Our ROLE volunteers enjoyed Route 66 at the Metropolis.

ROLE Models See a Need, Fill the Need

Role members are busy mothers, grandmothers, working or retired, business owners, continuing education students and more who take time out during their busy schedules to lend a hand where needed.

- Nancy Grybash for helping with POC fundraising events.
- Rosa Perez for volunteering to translate at Palatine Township’s Adopt-a-Family program and for providing childcare.
- Charlotte Bloom, Nancy Grybash and Cheryl Wolfel for volunteering at Oktoberfest 2013.
- Rosa Vazquez, Angelica Randel, Maria Sanchez, Rosa Perez and Elisa Castanon for volunteering at Prince of Peace Church Spaghetti Dinner.
- Vidya Babu, Kathy Breault, Amy Duffey, Haleema Harrison, Terri Kelly, Peg King, Ann Lawrence, Annie Morel, Lori Nowaki, Bobbie Regan and Pastor Steve for volunteering in our Family Learning Lab.
- Ana Flores and Maria Sanchez for volunteering at Kiwanis Peanut Day.
- Ragda for teaching fellow Harper students about her cultural background.



ROLE Models are also local youth who give back to our communities through POC Youth Programs and more.

- Jackie Trujillo and Carlee Svec are high school students at Fremd High School who donate their time and talent on Saturdays for ICompete. They teach ballet to a group of 25 girls who are forever thankful to Jackie and Carlee for their dedication.
- Renata Wetterman, a recent focus of a Dailey Herald article for her volunteer work in Haiti, credits POC’s Director Kathy Millin among people who inspire her. Renata has volunteered at POC for the past 5 years teaching children about healthy lifestyles.

We thank you, ROLE Models, for fulfilling our core value of seeing a need and filling that need.

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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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