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SAVE THE DATE STARS ON BROADWAY

**Sixth Annual Dinner
Dance & Silent Auction**

will be held on

September 22, 2007

Annual Dinner Dance Benefits SSMI Endowment Fund

The Sixth Annual "Stars on Broadway" Dinner Dance & Silent Auction is scheduled for September 22, 2007, at the Alliance of Poles Hall in Slavic Village from 6-11 p.m.

Individual tickets are \$50 with tables of eight available for \$400.

New to the event this year is a grand raffle:

- 1st Prize – 50" Flat Panel HDTV
- 2nd Prize – 32" Flat Plasma HDTV
- 3rd Prize – \$1,000 Cash
- 4th Prize – Digital Camera and Digital Picture Frame

Once again, the evening will include the Silent Auction, Mystery Bags, the Wheelbarrow Raffle of Spirits, live music by The Standard Thyme Band, and an ethnic meal served by Novotny Catering.

Monies raised during the event benefit the SSMI Endowment Fund in Memory of Sr. Amelia Kuska. The endowment fund ensures the continuation of the SSMI mission of meeting the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the homebound elderly in Slavic Village, the "Stars on Broadway," and the surrounding areas.



Advisory Board Member Kathy Dogger prepares to sell "Mystery Bags" to event patrons at the 2006 Dinner Dance.

The Power of Advertising

The 2007 Event Program will feature advertising for the first time. This is a cost-effective way for you or your business to advertise, as well as to support our event.

It is also a nice way to thank/congratulate the Sisters for their work from families they have served or businesses who recognize the great benefits they provide to the community.

Advertising costs are:

- \$200 for a Full Page
- \$110 for a Half Page
- \$60 for a Business Card Size
- Donations of \$25 or more will be included in a "Patron Page."

An Advertising form is enclosed for your use. Call us at (216) 441-5402 with your questions.

*When people are serving,
life is no longer meaningless."
- John Gardner*

Unavailable?

What happens if you can't make it to the annual fundraiser – the only one the Sisters have throughout the year? There are still many different ways that you may contribute and help support their efforts:

- Be a Patron and have your name added to the Event Program for as little as \$25.
- Purchase raffle tickets or sell books of tickets to your friends and associates. Winners need not be present at the event!
- Don't have a business? Purchase an ad and congratulate the Sisters on their good work.
- Buy or solicit advertising.
- Donate a Silent Auction Basket item

Spread the Word

If you know someone who would be interested in receiving this publication or learning more about the SSMI Ministry, contact us by phone at (216) 441-5402, by e-mail at SSMIendowment@hotmail.com or through our website at www.SSMIendowment.org.

Get Ready to Raffle!

As the old adage goes, "Everyone loves a winner!" and this year's Dinner Dance will provide many opportunities to win fabulous prizes ... all while helping a worthy cause.

Raffle tickets are available for \$10 each (or six for \$50) and will give the owner four chances to win!



- **First Prize** is a 50" Big Screen TV. The winner of this grand prize will not only win a wonderful high-definition ready television, it will also be delivered to their home at no extra charge!
- **Second Prize** is a 32" TV that is also high definition ready.
- **Third Prize** is the "gift that keeps on giving" – \$1,000 cash!
- **Fourth Prize** is a digital camera and digital picture frame. This unique package will allow you to showcase several of your favorite images at the same time without actually printing any hard photos.

Raffle tickets are enclosed for your convenience. To receive additional tickets, call us at (216) 441-5402.



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Read All About It!

On March 31, 2007, The Plain Dealer printed a feature article about SSMI and the Sisters' mission in Slavic Village and Greater Cleveland area. An excerpt from the article follows:

For the past 31 years, the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate, a Polish order founded in 1878, have ministered to the ethnic elderly of Cleveland – the shut-ins, the abandoned, the ailing and lonely. Each weekday, five Sisters of the group make their rounds to meet the spiritual, emotional, psychological and sometimes basic survival needs of more than 200 people. The group was originally invited here by former Bishop James Hickey to serve the Eastern European immigrants of Slavic Village.

Some clients have outlived the days when they could rely on a close-knit community of merchants and professionals who shared their language and customs but moved out of the neighborhood over the years, according to Sr. Anna Kaszuba, program director of the Sisters' Special Ministry to the Aged based at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. So the Sisters fill the gaps, helping these people shop, obtain needed medical and social services, arrange legal affairs, translate or transport and sometimes they are just there for companionship and comfort.



Please visit the SSMI website at www.ssmiendowment.org to read the article in its entirety.