



July 2015

## NEWS & NOTES

### Millennial Young Women Making A Difference:

If you have been to Face to Face lately, you may have run into Sydney Weinberg, Molly Mahon, Lauren Moyer or Erica Dreilbelbis. These dynamic young women volunteer at Face to Face in a variety of ways. Each shares her energy, talents and compassion with our guests.



Sydney Weinberg, a 2014 graduate of Colgate University, began volunteering at Face to Face as a high school student at Penn Charter. For her senior project she photographed guests in the dining room and got to know their stories. The result was a beautiful poster, titled "The Regulars," which hangs in Face to Face's Social Services Center. Sydney now works in Manhattan where she continues her advocacy on behalf of Face to Face; in January her employer, Alcohoot, donated \$500 to our Holiday Appeal.

Molly Mahon, a senior nursing student at La Salle University, began volunteering at Face to Face through La Salle's Pheed Philadelphia service group. Molly is now a coordinator of the group and brings six La Salle students to volunteer in the Dining Room every Friday. Molly has also been an invaluable volunteer at our last three auctions. While she has volunteered at many places, Molly notes that Face to Face is distinct in the way it treats each guest with dignity and respect.





Erica Dreilbelbis, a 25 year old graduate of Penn State, learned about Face to Face last year from an acquaintance at a party. The day that she came for a tour of our programs, we were short staffed in the kitchen; Erica offered to help and has been a committed volunteer ever since. In addition to working in the Dining Room, Erica joined our auction committee, secured her employer, PRAXAIR, as a major sponsor of our auction and joined our Turkey Trot sponsorship committee! Erica plans to stay involved at Face to Face because she loves interacting with our clients.

Lauren Moyer, a 2015 Villanova Law School graduate, has volunteered in the Legal Center for the last year and a half. In addition to helping clients with a variety of issues under the guidance of our Legal Center Director, Niki Ludt, Esq. Lauren has been a tireless fundraiser for the center. She held an event at Panera Bread, a bake sale and a denim dress down day at her firm, Zarwin Baum DeVito Kaplan Schaer Toddy P.C. The firm matched the dress down donations from its employees. Lauren plans to return to the clinic as a volunteer attorney after she passes the Bar Exam in July.



All four women shared that they return to Face to Face because it is so personal and they can see the difference that Face to Face services make in our guests' daily lives; beginning with being treated with dignity and respect.

## CALL FOR SUMMER VOLUNTEERS!

Face to Face has a few opportunities to help us this summer!

1. Computer monitors - Consider sharing your computer skills in our computer lab on Mondays or Saturdays between 9am and 12pm.
2. Our dining room is looking for volunteers for Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, & Mondays in August. Saturdays and Sundays in July. Two shifts - meal prep (9am-1pm) or meal serving (11:30-2:30).
3. Garden help - If you love to garden, we can use help this summer weeding, picking veggies, etc.
4. Supervisor for our Art Program, Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:30 AM, September through June.

If interested, please contact Becky Messa, Volunteer Coordinator, at [becky@facetofacegermantown.org](mailto:becky@facetofacegermantown.org) or call 215.438.7939.

## SUMMER WISH LIST

**Soap**  
**Deodorant**  
**Lotion**  
**Socks**  
**Watercolors and Acrylic Paint (for our Adult Art class)**  
**Acme Gift Cards**  
**Walgreens Gift Cards**

**Thank you for taking the time out of your busy summer schedules  
to remember the people in our Face to Face community!**

Items may be dropped off at Face to Face, 109 E Price St, Philadelphia, PA 19144,  
**Fridays through Tuesdays, 9AM to 2PM.**

Please contact Marie McCabe at 215-438-7939 or  
marie@facetofacegermantown.org for additional information  
Thank You!

## VEGETABLE GARDEN RECLAIMED

The before and after photos tell it all. The Face to Face vegetable garden had become completely overgrown and filled with trash. Our chef Altenor Vaval, together with Jennifer Hendrix from the PRIMEX Garden Center in Glenside and volunteer Ruth Ann Fitzpatrick set out to reclaim it. In a few short months, with the assistance of a determined group of volunteers, they restored the garden. Each week a scheduled group of volunteers tends the plot with delicious results. Already Altenor's salads are made with greens from the garden!



If you are interested in volunteering to help keep it going, please contact Becky Messa, our Director of Volunteers at [becky@facetofacegermantown.org](mailto:becky@facetofacegermantown.org).



## Spread the Word!

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Thanks!

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