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Volunteer Appreciation Social December 5th DUPAGE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM Release date: November 29, 2007

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(Photo of long-time Museum storyteller, Eric Ekstrom.)

DuPage Children's Museum Announces 2007 Snowflake Social

Naperville, IL – A snowstorm starts with a single snowflake dancing down to earth. Each snowflake is unique, and together, they become a swirling storm that changes the way we experience our world. Similarly, Museum staff and volunteers are unique and have different talents that together contribute to the lives of visitors and members of all ages. At DuPage

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Children's Museum (DCM) a single volunteer can make a big difference for many children in our community, and when volunteers come together, the possibilities and joys are endless.

In this spirit, DuPage Children's Museum announces that all of its current volunteers of all ages, and their families, are invited as special guests to enjoy the Museum's 20th Anniversary Snowflake Social on Wednesday, December 5, from 3:45 - 6:15 p.m. RSVPs are requested, and the event is free.

The Snowflake Social is an annual year-end celebration for current Museum volunteers and their families to come have some fun, share some laughs with the staff and participate in this day of recognition and appreciation for the many things they have accomplished together during the past year.

This year the Social will include a special performance by the NNHS Madrigal Singers and a Jester in Renaissance costumes, fun and educational activities for children, gifts, door prizes and festive foods and treats donated by the Museum Directors, Kubit2me, Jewel-Osco, Bakers Square and Anderson's Bookstore!

For more information, please call the Museum's Volunteer Coordinator at 630-637-8000 ext.4680.

- WHO:** The Naperville North High School (NNHS) Madrigal Singers and a Jester in Renaissance costumes will be performing and interacting with the Snowflake Social participants--DuPage Children's Museum volunteers of all ages and their families, from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
- WHAT:** This **special family volunteer event** gives volunteers and their families the opportunity to celebrate their achievements together, as they remember the many moments of this 20th Anniversary year at DuPage Children's Museum.
- WHEN:** **Wednesday, December 5, from 3:45 - 6:15 p.m.**
- WHERE:** **DuPage Children's Museum** (map online at <http://www.dupagechildrensmuseum.org/GeneralInfo.html>)
- VISUALS:** Volunteers and their families visiting, watching the entertainment, playing games and enjoying activities, winning prizes and enjoying tasty foods and winning prizes. Media representatives are welcome--please bring your media ID.

DUPAGE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM:

DuPage Children's Museum helps kids learn how to succeed. Throughout any given day, about 1000 visitors come through the Big Red Door of the Museum in Naperville, Illinois to engage in 3 floors of hands-on activities. It is a playful, fun environment where children 6 months to 10 years old and the important adults in their lives learn and play together in thoughtfully planned "neighborhoods", with exhibits and programs designed to promote skill development in math, science and the arts. It is designed to prepare kids for a future where curiosity, creative thinking, imaginative problem solving and learning skills will be needed to interact with technology that is yet to be invented, to solve problems we can't imagine and work in new kinds of jobs that don't exist today.

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2007 is an Imagination Celebration of the importance of play for DuPage Children's Museum, a top Chicago area cultural attraction, celebrating 20 years as the place *where learning comes in to play*™! The Museum is a non-profit organization and depends on donations and sponsorships for over \$4 of every \$10 of its annual budget. Your media support helps us reach families and makes a difference in the lives of thousands of children in our community. **Thank you for all you do!**

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Hours* Monday: 9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm
Thursday: 9 am - 8 pm
Sunday: 12 - 5 pm
*Call for special seasonal hours.

General Admission: \$7.50 per person, ages one through 59.
\$6.50 per person, ages 60 and over.
Admission is never charged to shop the Explorer Store.
Free Parking. Wheelchair Accessible. Quick walk from Naperville Metra Station.

Annual Memberships: Several types of memberships and gift memberships are available. Please visit www.dupagechildrensmuseum.org or call **630-637-8000** for more information.

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