



Connecting Older Adults with Community-based Resources and Options

*As our population lives longer, caring for aging parents,
spouses and friends has become a critical issue.
While rewarding, caregiving can often be overwhelming.*

AgeOptions to Hold “Celebrating Caregivers” September 27, 2007

Third Annual Fundraising Event to Support Caregivers of Aging Parents, Spouses, Relatives and Friends

The purpose of **AgeOptions** is to connect older adults throughout suburban Cook County with resources and options for care so that they can live their lives to the fullest. **AgeOptions** is nationally recognized as a leader in developing special initiatives and innovative community-based services. One of our most important objectives is to raise awareness and funding for caregivers who, in devoting their time to caring for loved ones, often do not realize how the complexities of caregiving can affect their own health and well-being.

In support of caregiving, **AgeOptions** will hold our third annual fundraising event “***Celebrating Caregivers***” this September. Proceeds will increase our capacity to respond to the growing number and severity of issues that caregivers face. Thanks to our generous supporters over the past two years, **AgeOptions** has raised nearly \$85,000 – helping to meet the diverse needs, wants and expectations of those who turn to us for help.

This year, Jenner & Block has generously offered to host our fundraising event. The evening will feature Rasheda Ali, daughter of legendary boxer Muhammad Ali who suffers from Parkinson’s disease. Ms. Ali, author of *I’ll Hold Your Hand So You Won’t Fall – A Child’s Guide to Parkinson’s Disease*, will share her personal story of caring for her father and how communication can overcome barriers, improving quality of life for the entire family.

Please plan on joining us and making “***Celebrating Caregivers***” a success. The evening will be filled with music, entertainment, education and camaraderie.

Date: September 27, 2007

Time: Beginning at 5:00 p.m. with a cocktail reception and appetizer buffet

Place: 330 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago

A variety of sponsorship opportunities are available, with recognition benefits. We are also accepting donated items to be auctioned off during the evening. For more information on **AgeOptions** and how you can be part of “***Celebrating Caregivers***,” contact:

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