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**Community Partners, Board members and
Outstanding Employees of East House to be Honored**

They have one thing in common...they are all dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals recovering from mental illness and chemical dependency. These honorees, eighteen employees, three Board members, six community individuals and three organizations that serve as outstanding partners of East House, will be honored at the agency's Annual Breakfast Celebration at Mario's Italian Steak House, on May 22nd. This event honors staff and Board members as they reach milestone anniversaries, and also highlights individuals or groups from the greater community who go above and beyond to help East House clients.

The following individuals from the greater Rochester community will receive "Partner in Quality" recognition at the event next Thursday: **John Baldanza**, Volunteer Coordinator, Foodlink; **Ed Fraser**, Job Developer, Monroe County Dept. of Human Services; **Pamela Geil**, LMSW, Primary Therapist, Strong Ties; **Michelle Lanphear**, Conference and Event Coordinator, R.I.T.; **Kris Miller-Blazak**, Teacher, Greece Central School District and **Steve Neelin**, President, Quality Recruiting.

The following organizations will also be honored as Partners In Quality for helping East House to provide quality service: **Beacon Residential Management, Highland Southwedge Pharmacy, and Oggi/Domani Salon and Day Spa.**

Three Board members will be recognized for twenty years of distinguished service to the agency: **Samuel King**, *Howe & Rusling, VP and Senior Portfolio Manager*, **James Papero**, *Retired, Rochester Institute of Technology* and **Patrice Scheg**, *Time Warner Cable, VP Human Resources*. "I feel privileged to have helped East House fulfill its mission to change lives—there is great satisfaction in knowing that I played a small part in that effort," said Patrice Scheg.

The following employees will also be recognized for their years of dedicated service: **Everett Rose**, *Assistant Program Director, Independent Living Program, who is celebrating 30 years with the agency*; **Susan Lambert, MS.Ed, NCC, CASAC**, *Program Supervisor, Crossroads Apartment Program* and **Richard Macirella**, *Counselor, Mental Health Apartment Program, who are celebrating twenty years*; **Pamela Kaufman, MS, CRC, LMHC**, *Mental Health Program Director* and **Scott Vogt, BA**, *Case Manager, Independent Living Program, who are celebrating fifteen years*; **James Dziubaty**, *Program Assistant, Independent Living Program*; **Kathleen Jacobowitz, MA**, *Counselor, Collins House*; **Donna Marcello, BA**, *Career Counselor, Career Services Program*; **Mary Morgante-Rice, AAS**, *Counselor, Boehm Lodge*; **Geoffrey Rono, BSW**, *Counselor, Boehm Lodge*; **Nancy Sanford**, *Senior Accountant, are celebrating ten years of service*; and **Terence Heffernan, AAS**, *Counselor, Blake House*; **Cathy Jackson, CASAC**, *Case Manager, Crossroads Apartment Program*; **Daniel Jermyn**, *Maintenance Supervisor*, **Sharon Jones**, *Assistant Program Supervisor, Blake House*, **Diane Lapp, BS**, *Counselor, Shumway House*, **Amy MacIntyre**, *Learning Center Assistant, Career Services Program*, and **Keenan Steverson, BA**, *Assistant Program Supervisor of Wolk House, who are all celebrating five years of service.*

Guests are welcome to join in this special celebration. The cost is \$15 per person. Call **256-3800, ext. 235** for reservations or more information.



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