



Sharing Involvement with Brothers and Sisters

Quarterly Newsletter
June 2023

The SIBS Board of Misericordia was founded by Lois Gates in 1993 with members who are still active in the community. Its purpose was to increase involvement of siblings of Misericordia residents. Increasing sibling engagement is needed now more than ever, and we need your help! Quarterly newsletters will begin to support this effort.

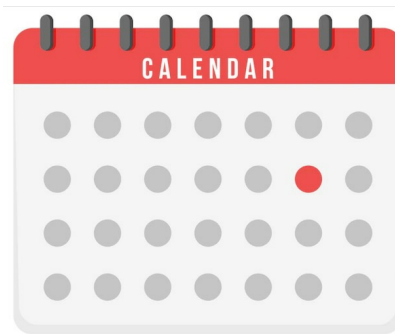
"I don't believe an accident of birth makes people sisters or brothers. It makes them siblings, gives them mutuality of parentage. Sisterhood and brotherhood is a condition people have to work at." -Maya Angelou

Action Items

- Share the **Artist in All** on Social Media.
- **Volunteer** to work a Sunday Brunch.
- Share the **Sponsorship Toolkit** with a contact AND reach out personally to a potential sponsor.
- Volunteer Opportunities for AIA coming soon.

Reminders

- Please connect with family members to ensure all resident siblings are reading the new SIBS newsletter.
- Sunday Brunches are sibling-run volunteer opportunities. We need to re-engage our sibling community to support the efforts of the Greenhouse Inn. Volunteer to work a Sunday Brunch **here (May-June)** and **here (July-December)**. Interested in helping coordinate Sunday Brunches? Please reach out to Mary Sheehy Hickey marysheehyhickey@cs.com.



June

6/2~6/15 AIA artwork exhibition at 444 W. Lake

6/4 Invitation Stuffing for AIA

6/16~6/30 AIA artwork exhibition at 180 N. LaSalle

July

7/16 AIA Staging at JMRC

7/18 AIA Pack-up at JMRC

7/19 Artist in All (AIA) Event

The Artist in All

The Artist in All (AIA) is an art exhibit and silent auction benefit for Misericordia, featuring artwork created by talented Misericordia artists assisted by



Signature Piece
Sunny Summer Days

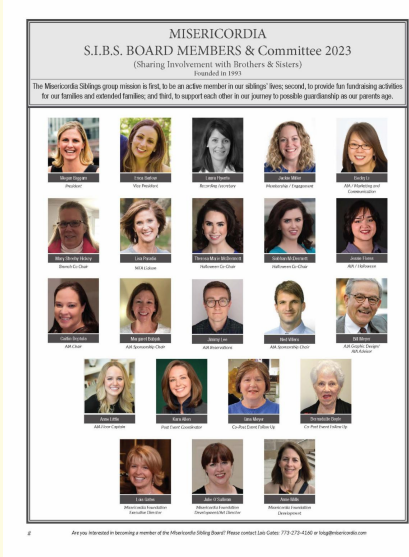
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art staff instructors and volunteers. Through The Artist In All, Misericordia Siblings (SIBS) strive to showcase and share our brothers' and sisters' visual art in a world-class venue, reach out to the Chicago community, and give our siblings an opportunity to feel the same exhilaration all artists experience when their work is admired and sought by others.

The AIA is an entirely sibling-run event beginning first in 1996. Many volunteers are needed before, during, and after the event to ensure its success. Please sign up to volunteer to support AIA. We hope you will **join us** in celebrating at the event and consider supporting sponsorship: individually, through use of the **sponsorship toolkit**, and through personal outreach.

This year's AIA is chaired by Caitlin Deptula. Reach out to Caitlin Deptula caitlin.love.deptula@gmail.com with any questions or interest in getting more involved.

Sibling Membership and Engagement



SIBS Meet our Board Members

The SIBS board is working to increase membership and engagement by getting siblings better connected to the Misericordia community and each other. There are 3 main priorities to increase engagement:

Focused communication efforts for siblings

- Quarterly Newsletters
- SIBS Corner in MisBiz

Social and Fundraising Events

- Stay tuned for 2 new social opportunities for siblings
- Promote sibling-run events and fundraisers to spark ideas and gain momentum (Have a fundraiser you would like to share out? Contact Jackie Miller at miller.jaclynmelissa@gmail.com).

SIBS Directory

- As we work to create opportunities of connection among siblings, we will be working to create a Sibling Directory.

Social Media

Please be sure to follow Misericordia on Social Media and share the Artist in All updates.

- Facebook: [@misericordiaheartofmercy](https://www.facebook.com/misericordiaheartofmercy)
- Instagram: [@misericordiahome](https://www.instagram.com/misericordiahome)
- Twitter: [@heartofmercy](https://twitter.com/heartofmercy)
- LinkedIn: Misericordia Heart of Mercy

Outstanding Roles

We are still looking to fill the following roles:

- Lemonade Stand Coordinator for Family Fest

- Sunday Brunch Co-Chair
- Artist in All Co-Chair

Please reach out to mbiggam@gmail.com if you are interested in filling one of these roles.

SIBS **Meet our Board Members**

Sincerely,
The SIBS Board

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