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## Mark Your Calendars

Information about these events and more can be found on our [event's calendar](#).

**March 15, 2010**

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## Rebuilding and Restoring

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2010 began with a flurry of activity at The Children's Place Association. From the moment the earthquake struck Haiti on January 12 our Chicago staff leapt into action, working to find out if our field employees were safe and to learn of the status of the children in the program.



Thankfully in the days following the quake we were able to locate all of our team members in Haiti and learned that all the children had survived although three were injured. All are doing fine now.

Now nearly two months after the quake, our team is dealing with the many secondary effects of the devastation including severe food and medicine shortages. Thousands of refugees from Port au Prince have arrived in the communities we serve and many of the families in our program have doubled in size stressing our program staff and resources.

Your generous support in the days following the quake allowed us to respond quickly to meet the growing needs of our children and families. Donations allowed us to purchase extra food, medication and other supplies for our team and clients. Food distributions from our office help our parents continue to provide for their households in the wake of this disaster.

In addition, we have formed a partnership with DePaul University in order to provide psychological support for our children, families and employees. The Associated Press is reporting that one in five Haitian earthquake victims have suffered trauma so great they won't be able to cope without professional help.

Our Haiti project coordinator Hannah Hoover is currently in Haiti with team members from DePaul implementing tools to help those affected

6:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m.

Location: 1436 W Randolph,  
Fifth Floor

**March 25, 2010**

### 2010 Gala Kick Off Party

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: LUMINAIRE  
Showroom, 301 West Superior

**April 13, 2010**

### Professional Partners' Meeting

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: TBD

**May 1, 2010**

### Annual Black -Tie Gala

Once Upon A Time In the Land  
of Make Believe

Location: Chicago Cultural  
Center

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## Looking to Volunteer

If you are interested in volunteering with The Children's Place Association, please complete the [volunteer application](#) form on our Web site and a member of our staff will be in contact with you.

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## In Kind Donations

As we begin to seeing more infants and young children coming to our Residential Center for care we are in need of several solid wood rocking chairs. If you have a rocking chair you are willing to donate please contact our [Development Department](#) at 312-660-3030.

cope with their emotional trauma. We are committed to providing the psychological support needed for our children and families as well as sharing these tools with our responders in Haiti.

It is due to your support that we have been able to respond so quickly to the physical and emotional needs of our staff and clients and I cannot thank you enough for that. I also want to take this time to publicly thank the employees of The Children's Place Association – both in Chicago and in Haiti – for their dedication to our children and families, and for their extra time and effort in the days and weeks following the quake.

The road to recovery is long but The Children's Place Association was in Haiti before the quake and we will continue to be there for the many children and families in need of our help as the nation works to rebuild.

Thank you for your continued support.

Cathy Krieger

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## Once Upon A Time Gala

It is hard to believe it is almost time for the highlight of our fundraising year, the annual Once Upon a Time Gala. This year guests of the gala will travel to the enchanting Land of Make Believe under the beautiful Tiffany dome at The Chicago Cultural Center. Please mark your calendar for May 1, 2010 and plan to join us for the annual event.

For more information about the event or to learn how you can become an event Angel Sponsor please contact [Simone Wheeler](#) 312-660-3031.




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## Auction Items Needed

With the Once Upon A Time Gala nearing we are in need of auction items to help us meet our fundraising goal for the event. Items we would like to include in the evening's silent auction are below and we are looking for assistance in securing these items. If you have, or know someone who has, one of the items below please contact our [Development Office](#) 312-660-3030.

Gaming Systems and Games: Nintendo DS, PS3, Xbox 360, PSP  
 Chef in your Home Experience  
 Wine Tastings  
 At Home Makeover Sessions  
 Spa Gift Certificates  
 Gift certificates or luxury items including designer handbags, high-end silk scarves, designer sunglasses, belts

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mailing list today!

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Vacation Home stays

Childrens' furniture including rocking chairs, table, chest of drawers

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