

## **Volunteers/Community Outreach**

April was National Volunteer Appreciation Month, therefore, the Affiliate celebrated the 2015 Affiliate volunteers with a volunteer appreciation event at Medieval Times. The Affiliate would like to say “Thank You” to the volunteers who participated in the event, and to thank all of the volunteers who offered their service in 2015. The Affiliate would also like to thank Medieval Times for sponsoring the event. There are some opportunities to be a Race committee chair, or serve on a committee. Some of the areas and positions available, include: Survivor Tent Chair, Prize Solicitation Committee, Kids for the Cure Committee, Stage Manager Chair, and T-shirt chair. If you would like more information about any of those volunteer opportunities, please contact Aisha Heath-Mission Manager at [aheath@komen-dallas.org](mailto:aheath@komen-dallas.org) or 469-619-3906. To learn more about joining the Affiliate’s dynamic group of volunteers, please visit <http://komen-dallas.org/volunteer/>. Before becoming an active volunteer, an application and training are required. The volunteer application can be found at [http://dallas.info-komen.org/site/Survey?ACTION\\_REQUIRED=URI ACTION\\_USER\\_REQUESTS&SURVEY\\_ID=4965&pw\\_id=6126](http://dallas.info-komen.org/site/Survey?ACTION_REQUIRED=URI ACTION_USER_REQUESTS&SURVEY_ID=4965&pw_id=6126).

“Remember: the light at the end of the tunnel may be you.” ~ *Steven Tyler*

## **May Volunteer Spotlight**

The Volunteer Spotlight is a unique honor given to volunteers who go above and beyond the call of duty to help the Affiliate fulfill its’ mission. For the month of May, Sharon Ray is spotlighted. Sharon was asked about her experience as a volunteer with the Affiliate, this is what she had to say,

### **What type of volunteer work do you do for Komen Dallas County?**

I have been a speaker at community events for Breast Cancer. I have also worked health fairs, back to school events, Race for the Cure and other various events in the Dallas area.

### **How long have you been volunteering with Komen Dallas County?**

I have been volunteering with Komen Dallas since 2010 as near as I can remember.

### **What do you enjoy most about volunteering with Komen Dallas County?**

I most enjoy meeting so many people from all different backgrounds and giving back.

### **What is the best part of being a Komen Volunteer?**

The best thing is being able to talk to people and give them the information they need to better address and understand their breast cancer concerns. Sometimes it's just listening to someone's story and being there for them.

**What does Komen Dallas County mean to you?**

Komen Dallas means a community of staff, volunteers and sponsors that work together to help end breast cancer.

**What would you share with others who are considering volunteering with Komen Dallas County?**

I have learned that I can make a difference to someone by giving them the information they need and just giving them a smile.

I would tell others that are thinking about volunteering for Komen Dallas, that it is very rewarding and it doesn't take that much time. We all have busy lives, but if you have just a few hours a month to help one person, it is worth it.