

## Save the Date



THURSDAY, MAY 18  
5:30 - 9:30  
ECLIPSE CENTER  
\$75 PER PERSON

"Where Do We Go From Here" explores the questions at the center of teenage life: What's next? Where will I go? Who am I? Who will I be?

For foster youth, the journey toward answers is often far more complicated. The actors of the GoodCapp Arts Youth Theater Ensemble bring to life the stories of Callie, Dev, Wesley, Sonia and more - young people touched by the foster care system who are challenged to strive and determined to thrive.

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## Volunteer Spotlight



### Ashley Isaacs

Advocate since April 2022

CASA would like to recognize the absolute dedication and determination that Ashley has demonstrated as an advocate for two young girls.

One of her kiddos is placed five hours away, but Ashley has consistently visited her every week, which is very important because she has little family support. Ashley is undoubtedly a strong and dependable advocate that this girl needs as she faces an uncertain future.

**Thank you, Ashley! Your dedication and commitment to your CASA kiddo exemplifies all we strive to achieve at CASA!**

# Advocate Anniversaries

## December



- Roy Meyer - 2018
- Kianna Byrd - 2019
- Jon Wangerin - 2019
- Lynn Wood - 2019
- Karen Foley Stauss - 2019
- Tara Chapman - 2020
- Meagen Flood - 2020
- Jill McCamey - 2021
- Katie McCarthy - 2021
- Lori Schlemmer - 2021
- Amanda Wilson - 2021
- Cathi Wnuk - 2021

Thank You!

## Did you know?

CASA volunteer child advocates complete 36 hours of training before being sworn in by the judge and taking a case. But did you know that active volunteers must also complete 12 hours of continuing education each year? This year CASA will host a Narcan training, a look at Youth Mental Health, and a session on Trust-Based Relational Intervention. We also offer Netflix and Book Clubs, and CASA Café where advocates can strengthen and build resilience through empowering conversations. Volunteers are also allowed to watch documentaries and read books that further their understanding and expand their views on topics relating to the kids they serve.

## Thank you to our 2022 Event Sponsors!





# Welcome new board members!



Dr. Rick Daniels is an educator, scholar, and an advocate for education. As Director of Campus Inclusion at Oakton Community College, he provides direct oversight to the Office of Access, Equity, and Diversity, the Center for Campus Inclusion & Diversity, the Office of Student Life and Campus Inclusion. Rick is a two-time graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and holds a Doctorate in Adult Education and Social Justice Administration from Northern Illinois University. Rick has also studied at the University of Ghana, the University of Lima, and Oxford University.

Rick is considered to be a thought leader on a variety of contemporary topics including but not limited to; anti-racism education, effective team communication, and organizational change. He has served on the strategic planning team for the National Association for Diversity Officers in Higher Education (NADOHE) and consults regularly with non-profit organizations, educational institutions, and various corporate entities across the country.



Holly Mineau was born and raised in Beloit where she continues to reside with her husband. Their two children (married) and three grandchildren reside in Chicago and Rhode Island where they enjoy spending time.

Holly is a UW-Madison graduate with a degree in sociology and social work. She was employed for many years by Rock County Human Services Department in Child Protectives Services and Juvenile Justice. She also worked as a private investigator.

Holly has served on numerous Stateline area non-profit and community boards and committees over the past 30+ years and is excited to join the CASA board. Her previous volunteer service includes board membership in organizations related to education, youth sports, the arts and assisting those affected by barriers such as homelessness and poverty. Her interests include domestic and foreign travel, outdoor adventure, cooking and spending time with family and friends.