



Diamonds & Dog Tags Gala

"Communicating the Spirit of '45"

Saturday, May 6, 2017

6:00_{PM} - 12:00_{AM}

Cantigny Park - Le Jardin

Wheaton, Illinois

Historic Event Features:

Photography Exhibition by artist **Kenji Kawano**

MC: **John St. Augustine**

Guest Speaker: **Ryan Yantis**

Live Entertainment

Dinner, Drinks, Dancing

Auctions/Paddle Raising

Select Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Limited Seating

Purchase tickets at: allenforce.org/dadt
or contact Aubrey at **779-205-3314**

For more information e-mail: donna@allenforce.org



Special Thank You:





January 25, 2017

Dear Valued Sponsor,

We are pleased to announce our inaugural Diamonds and Dog Tags Gala fundraiser to be held Saturday, May 6, 2017 at the beautiful and prestigious Cantigny Park in Wheaton, Illinois. This year's theme is "Communicating the Spirit of '45."

We are seeking corporate and private sponsorships to bring this event to life. Our overall sponsorship goal is \$25,000. The sponsorship is tax deductible (EIN 45-5119173), and all proceeds from the evening will go to benefit veterans and their loved ones through AllenForce and our programs. AllenForce promotes a healthy and successful lifestyle for all veterans of all eras of the United States Armed Forces and their families by providing positive networking, fitness and recreational opportunities and community events. AllenForce strives to bridge the gap between military and civilian life as veterans face an ever-changing adjustment process after serving our nation.

This unique historic event will host photography by renowned photo documentarian Kenji Kawano, an official Navajo Code Talker photographer, including pieces never seen on public display. Our event host and guest speaker, both military veterans, will highlight the Event host is Coast Guard Veteran and award-winning radio personality John St. Augustine. In addition, guest speaker Lt Col Ryan Yantis, Ret, a 9/11 Pentagon survivor and historian, will capture us with his dynamic delivery on the communication methods of World War II. This line up promises a night to remember with military history, culture, ceremony, and revelry. The evening will also include live entertainment by Sound of the Big Band; dinner, drinks, and dancing; auctions with an opportunity to raise your paddle to support AllenForce.

Your contribution will provide the 4 month educational track using social media, radio, newspaper releases and possible television exposure...potential exposure to 50,000 people in Chicago area. The benefits the day of event includes the outlined sponsorship levels attached.

Your sponsorship will help us continue and expand our services. You can review our programs at <http://www.allenforce.org>. Since 2012 we have impacted over 1000 lives, collaborate with more than 70 organizations, and have consistent referrals from all three Chicagoland Veteran Affairs Hospital Networks and many Vet Centers. We host 4-6 community education events each year that help bridge the gap between military and civilian culture.

All of this would not be possible without your contribution.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Donna Allen Sebok
Chief Executive Officer

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Chief Operations Officer



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2017 DIAMONDS & DOG TAGS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Diamond Sponsor – \$20,000 (limit of 1)

As a Diamond Sponsor, you will receive all the benefits included in a Ruby Sponsorship *plus*:

- Additional Premier Table of ten (total of 2 premier tables)
- Logo on additional signage around stage
- On screen logo recognition during A/V presentations
- Upgrade to double page notice in gala program
- Recognition in monthly newsletter post event
- Recognition in all event related e-mails until next event

Ruby Sponsor – \$10,000 (limit of 2)

As a Ruby Sponsor, you will receive all the benefits included in an Emerald Sponsorship *plus*:

- Upgrade to Premier table
- Upgrade to full-page notice in gala program
- Upgrade to logo on tickets that are mailed out
- Logo on additional signage in gallery, live auction area
- Opportunity for branded items placed with take home gifts

Emerald Sponsor – \$5,000

As an Emerald Sponsor, you will receive all the benefits included in a Sapphire Sponsorship *plus*:

- Upgrade to half-page notice in gala program
- Upgrade to logo recognition in event follow-up e-mails
- Name on tickets that are mailed out
- Upgrade to Logo on signage
- Additional signage in silent auction area

Sapphire Sponsor - \$3,000

- One table of ten (10)
- Name/Logo on website
- Verbal Recognition during opening/closing ceremonies
- Quarter-page notice in gala program
- Name on event signage in lobby and banquet area
- Name recognition in event follow-up e-mail
- All attendees receive limited edition gala lapel pin

Additional sponsorship opportunities are also available on a first come, first-serve basis. For details about any of these sponsorship opportunities, please contact Aubrey Youngs by emailing:

Aubrey@AllenForce.org or by dialing 779-205-3314.