









BROWARD



# AUGUST 2017

### FEEDING SOUTH FLORIDA AND DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

Thank you to everyone who donated to Premier's food drive for our new charity, Feeding South Florida. It was a great success. On August 5<sup>th</sup> Feeding South Florida needs volunteers to help sort out food from 8:30am – 11:30am. Check out their website: <a href="https://feedingsouthflorida.org/">https://feedingsouthflorida.org/</a>.

In August we will again be having our drive for Abandoned Pet Rescue a No-Kill Shelter in South Florida. Collection receptacles are set up in the lobby area for your convenience. Please send an email to the Community Service Committee if you have questions. Their website is <a href="http://apr.rescuegroups.org/">http://apr.rescuegroups.org/</a>. Abandoned Pet Rescue also has opportunities for pet adoptions and volunteering by associates. Abandoned Pet Rescue • 1137 NE 9th Ave • Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304 • (954) 728-9010. Adoption Hours: Every day between Noon and 5 p.m.

#### **EXERCISE AND RAISE MONEY**

On Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup> Strong for Heroes Zumbathon Charity event is taking place at Gold's Gym Port Saint Lucie, Port Saint Lucie, FL. It's only a \$5 donation to participate. This is a special Strong by Zumba class (no, it's not a dance class) to raise money for "Honor Flight Network" which is an organization that provides our heroes with transportation to Washington DC to visit the war memorials dedicated to those who made sacrifices including the veterans and their families. <a href="https://www.zumba.com/en-US/event/view/strong-for-heroes-charity-event">https://www.zumba.com/en-US/event/view/strong-for-heroes-charity-event</a> to register for the event.

On August 19<sup>th</sup>, Paddle with a Purpose is a way to go kayaking and help charity. Check out <a href="http://www.handsonbroward.org/HOC">http://www.handsonbroward.org/HOC</a> Volunteer Opportunity Details Page?id=a0CA000000 <a href="https://www.handsonbroward.org/HOC">oGwKoMAK</a> for information and to register. "Volunteers keep our shorelines and waterways clean. Bring your own kayak/canoe and join our team at the boat ramp at Reverend Samuel Delevoe Memorial Park, 2520 NW 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311. Call Robert Figueroa at 917.652.1050 for more info.

## **TUNNEL TO TOWERS 5K AND 9/11**

Firefighter Stephen Gerard Siller was the youngest of seven children born to Mae and George Siller. At the age of eight, Stephen lost his father, and a year and a half later he also lost his mother, which left him an orphan to be raised by his older siblings. More than most, he knew that time was precious and accomplished much in his 34 years.

On September 11, 2001, Stephen, who was assigned to Brooklyn's Squad 1, had just finished his shift, and was on his way to play golf with his brothers when he got word of the first plane hitting the Twin Towers over his scanner. Upon hearing the news, Stephen called his wife Sally and asked her to tell his brothers he would catch up with them later, and returned to Squad 1 to get his gear.

Stephen drove his truck to the entrance of the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel, but it had already been closed for security purposes. Determined to carry out his duty, he strapped 60 lbs. of gear to his back, and raced on foot through the tunnel to the Twin Towers, where he gave up his life while saving others.

Please join Premier on September 9<sup>th</sup> for the Tunnel to Towers 5K, honoring the sacrifice of Stephen Siller as well as our military and first responders.

## **ABOUT PREMIER EYE CARE**

Premier's People, Planet, Profit triple bottom line means we are dedicated to helping the community. Contributions to 501(3)(c) charities since 2012 have topped \$600,000 and include diverse groups like the American Heart Assoc., the Drug Abuse Treatment Assoc., the Girl Scouts, Kenya Rescue, Tampa Crisis Center, Prevent Blindness, and more. Stay tuned for company-wide opportunities.



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