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represented our brand in excellent fashion to the Hackensack community. The community was well aware of the UPS presence and value we added to the project. Several of the Playground Committee Members thanked me for all of UPS's hard work and commitment to the project. I explained to them that I took great pride in seeing UPSers who volunteered and especially those who stayed to work additional time from their original commitment. Some of our volunteers returned for a second day knowing the project was behind schedule.

"I was able to see the fruits of our efforts after the ribbon cutting-ceremony when the kids from the community rushed the playground and looked for acknowledgement from their family as they took test rides while scaling ladders within the kingdom. This was a very special moment that I wish everyone could have seen."

—Gil Pongetti, coordinator for the Fairmount School Project Playground.



Yvonne Moss, Josh Carter and Stephanie Durrah from UPS Capital help Senior Citizen Services of Metro Atlanta, GA.

"The participation in The Memory Walk was heartwarming. I was very impressed with the turnout of employees, friends and family members. All of my thanks would pale in comparison to those thanks that would come from the families who are dealing with this disease. We raised more than \$2,000. What a way to begin an event that I hope is sponsored by UPS annually."

—Stacey Villano, coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk 2008.

"On behalf of myself and my colleagues who helped organize and support the UPS Cares Team—Robin Pole, Nancy Jo Forney, Carol Allen (special thanks for designing and ordering the great shirts and hats), and Janet Wieland for supporting sales at Information Services (I.S.) Maryland (I.S.MD)—I would like to thank everyone involved in making this year's Race for the Cure a HUGE success!

"This year, we had the most excitement and participation of any year I've been involved due to the tremendous spirit and foundation of caring that embodies UPS as an organization. From those of you who purchased shirts and/or hats, to those of you who generously sponsored someone on the UPS Cares team, to the team of walkers and runners who made a great presence at the race, I am honored to let you know that we exceeded our goals for this event. We had 67 participants (out



Shellie Olds-Johnson (CIM) paints a window for Habitat for Humanity in Roswell, GA.



Tim Eisentraut (G&A) at the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) Walk to Cure Diabetes.



Chris Reinkemeyer (UPS SCS) helps package food for the Oregon Food Bank in Portland, OR.

of a goal of 50), and raised \$7,210 (out of a goal of \$6,000).

"Thank you to everyone for coming together as an extraordinary group of UPSers to show we care to support a great cause and make a difference in helping make breast cancer a distant memory."

—Jackie Woods, coordinator for Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

And G&A Portfolio Manager Don Sheridan encapsulated all of your efforts during GVM and all year long when he noted, "It makes me proud to be a UPSer and proud to know that our people make a difference." ☺



Laynglyn Capers congratulates Andy Howell on his second President's Volunteer Service Award.

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Andy received another distinction earlier this year when he was named one of the 15 finalists nominated to receive the Jim Casey Community Service Award by the UPS Foundation. ☺

Andy Howell Receives Second President's Volunteer Service Award

Andy Howell of the Customer Technology Portfolio was recently presented with the President's Volunteer Service Award on behalf of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. This is the second year in a row that Andy has received the award.

During a department meeting, Customer Technology Portfolio Manager Laynglyn Capers and Andy's System Manager, Jim Sattel, presented him with a congratulatory letter from United States (U.S.) President George W. Bush, a personalized certificate, a letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation and a lapel pin.

The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation was created by President Bush in 2003 to help recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making in communities throughout the United States. A letter accompanying the award states, "this award recognizes your dedication to volunteer service and signifies that you have served your community and your country with distinction." Andy received the award for founding and acting as president of The Sidewalk University, whose mission is to educate young people and parents in the community to manage their finances, while emphasizing higher education, computer training development, social skills and com-

UPSers Help at Annual Survivors Dinner

The International Trade Systems group in Louisville, KY, a part of the UPS Supply Chain Solutions Global IT Portfolio, helped Ovarian Awareness of Kentucky (OAK) prepare for its sixth annual Toast to Life Survivor Dinner months before the Friday, August 22 event.

OAK, a Louisville-based organization, provides resources, networking and education to women who are battling ovarian cancer and their caregivers. Its mission is to create awareness among women and the greater community regarding early warning signs of ovarian cancer, resulting in early detection and saved lives. The annual Survivor Dinner is a night of fun, food and dancing and an opportunity to celebrate and recognize survivors of ovarian cancer. The event also serves as a primary fund raiser for OAK as hundreds of items are auctioned off to the highest bidder during both live and silent auctions. The theme for the 2008 dinner was "Survivors Gone Wild."

Months before the dinner, the International Trade Systems group collected ribbons, bows, boxes and miscellaneous supplies to decorate auction baskets for the

event. In addition, the group built special boards to help with the bidding on donated gift certificates. A special database was developed as well, to facilitate a smooth "check out" process at the end of the auctions.

On the day of the dinner, the International Trade Systems group helped to transport auction baskets to the site. Once there, the teams wrapped auction baskets, set up the silent auction tables, created floral centerpieces, and helped with clean up after the dinner.

The International Trade Systems group began supporting OAK in 2006 when the organization needed help setting up its annual Toast to Life dinner. What at first seemed to be a fairly simple task turned out to be a complex set of coordinated activi-



Kelly Hawkins and Liza Liu create flower arrangements for the Annual Survivors Dinner.

ties, and the International Trade Systems group stepped up to the plate to help. In fact, the group has helped OAK to run the dinner smoothly for the past three years.

Each year, when the International Trade Systems group looks at the available volunteer activities in the Louisville area, everyone agrees they want to help with the survival dinner. In fact, the team expects to be there next year . . . ☺



Some of the members of the International Trade Systems team who helped with the Toast to Life Survivor Dinner are (l. - r.): Parvathy Santhosh, Kelly Hawkins, Liza Liu, Kelly Minyard, Josh Turner, Scott Davis, Bill Schmidt, Tami Caballeros, Jamie Hartlage and Debbie Napier. Not pictured: Bryan Downs, Ted Douglas, Chris Williamson, Ryan Johnson and Matt Stephens.