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(left to right) Brookwood Make A Difference Day Flea Market organizers Trish Kangas, co-chair; Joanne Marcil, creator and co-chair, Carolyn Wells, project coordinator; and Kathy Bommarito, project coordinator; prepare for the 2007 Kick-Off Meeting.

What is Make A Difference Day?

- Began in 1991, millions inspired to participate
- Annually – fourth Saturday in October
- Presented by USA WEEKEND Magazine, Newman's Own, Inc. and HandsOn Network (division of Points of Light Institute – nation's largest mobilizer of volunteers)



Brookwood Make A Difference Day Flea Market - History

- 1992 – Garage Sale - \$150
- 1995-1998 – Crafts & Antiques Sale
- 1999-2010 – Flea Market
- 2011 – 20th anniversary of MADD participation
- Raised \$85,700+
- \$95,700+ with \$10,000 award included





(left to right) Brookwood Make A Difference Day Flea Market volunteers Matthew Wells, Douglas Wells, Darrell Kangas and Ray Marcil move items into the clubhouse in preparation for the 2005 flea market.



Some of the shoppers really enjoy looking through the jewelry section of the flea market, where great buys are certain to be found!



Shoppers at the Brookwood Make A Difference Day Flea Market have a great time searching for just the right items to buy, knowing the proceeds from the sale are donated to several worthy causes.



Shoppers really enjoy looking through the myriad items for sale outdoors in the Brookwood Clubhouse pavilion.



Pictured left to right are Rochester Hills Mayor Bryan Barnett, Joanne Marcil, Trish Kangas and J. Martin Brennan, Rochester Hills City Council representative - District 2

How did we win the \$10,000 award?

- Do award submission every year
- Just not “sexy” enough



How did we win the \$10,000 award?

- Decided to just keep trying to be better
- Surveyed high school volunteers



How did we win the \$10,000 award?

- Sent in everything we could
- Then we waited – same thing every year



This year was different!!!

- Saturday, Jan. 8 – received email – being considered for national honors!
- Tuesday, Feb. 15 – found out we won!!!
- EXCITEMENT, JUBILIATION, HALLELUJAH
- \$10,000 donation to charity



We support five very worthy charities:

- Baldwin Center
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Michigan Chapter
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International
- Paint a Miracle
- The Women’s Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester





Pictured left to right are: Trish Kangas, Lisa Machesky, executive director of the Baldwin Center, Sylvia Wheeling, food director at the Baldwin Center, Joanne Marcil, Carolyn Wells and Kathy Bommarito.

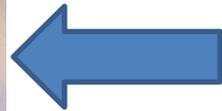
Award Luncheon – Washington D.C. – April 14



Joanne Marcil at the Make A Difference Day award luncheon.



Award Luncheon – Washington D.C. – April 14



(left to right)
**Congressman
Gary Peters,
Joanne and
Ray Marcil**



(left to right)
**Joanne Marcil,
Cokie Roberts
and Ray Marcil**



Award Luncheon – Washington D.C. – April 14



Ray Marcil; Pam Brown, senior editor of USA WEEKEND Magazine; and Joanne Marcil enjoy getting to know each other at the luncheon.

Darius Rucker, country star and member of the 1990's band Hootie & The Blowfish, spends some quality time with his new friend – Joanne Marcil.



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Ray and Joanne Marcil (wearing their Detroit Tigers baseball caps) spent some time sightseeing in Washington, D.C., before they headed back to their home at Brookwood in Rochester Hills.

Where do we go next?

- Already planning 2011
- Focus on three Rs of the environment:
 - Reduce, **reuse**, recycle
 - Primary focus on **reuse**
- 20th anniversary this year
- Friday, Oct. 21; Saturday, Oct. 22



Theme in 2010

- “I Believe”
 - Created positive attitude for our angel brigade
 - We’ve gone far beyond our expectations





**Brookwood
Rochester Hills
Mayor Barnett
Marty Brennan
Dedicated Volunteers**