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I have known Jane for close to 20 years. We met when she first moved to Atlanta and I was struck by what an involved person she was. In the short time she had lived in Atlanta, she had made contact with many of the "movers and shakers" in town and began creating a name for herself as someone who wanted to get involved in serving the community. All of us who know her now know that this was just the beginning of her lifetime of commitment to her cause.

Those of us who have been involved in HOPE-HOWSE over the years know it has been a difficult cause to create support for. Many have said there are more deserving members of society that deserve support and have merely turned their heads at the idea of supporting Jane's work. But Jane's tenacity has proven that we all have it in us to listen to someone who wants to make life better for all of us, to make society a safer place to exist and to create understanding that as humans we all have a need to be understood.

Through her work, Jane has reached the inner core of many of the inmates she has counseled and discovered a desire in many of them to give something back to society by helping other potential criminals hopefully avoid the same fate they themselves have met. If her efforts have prevented even one person from entering a life of crime, our society is a safer place. Well Jane's efforts have prevented numerous such acts against society and the educational benefits of her work could continue to serve all of us well into the future.

Saturday is an opportunity to tell Jane that we appreciate her devotion to making our lives just a little better and a little safer. This is an opportunity to recognize that just one ordinary citizen can make a huge difference in the lives of many. This is an opportunity to tell Jane that her work has not been for naught, that she is appreciated for the awareness she has created and that society is better off for the devotion and commitment she has given to the cause in her heart.

I join the others who have asked that you participate in this celebration of the work of Jane Davis by supporting her cause - the work of HOPE-HOWSE. An anonymous donor has stepped forward and will match contributions to HOPE-HOWSE up to \$1,500. Let's together even surpass this amount! This is the time and the opportunity to let Jane know that her work must continue, that the work of HOPE-HOWSE must continue, that she has been a relevant member of society and we appreciate all she has done on our behalf. Please reply to:

HOPE-HOWSE; PO Box 9855; Santa Fe, NM 87504

Or <u>www.hope-howse.org</u> where there is a donate link to pay pal.

A pril 6, 2009

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For those of us who have known and worked with Jane these many years, we know what a dedicated, truly empathetic and understanding person she is. We have seen her put forth her entire being so as to "help others evolve" whether it is with those inmates in prisons around the world or just those in need of assistance – both man and beast! This year saw the creation of "HOPE -HOWS E presents Concerts in the Yard" which is nearing it's one year anniversary. We have welcomed many musicians, including Grammy award winners, and more are lined up to follow this important work. At this year's Indian Market (the largest gathering of Native American art sales and displays in the world) HOPE -HOWSE will have a booth to highlight the art of Native American inmates. Our booth will be next to the Smithsonian's booth! We were instrumental in the successful re-entry process with men coming out of prison and will soon be working with a woman in Georgia who is reentering her community. Jane has been growing One Heart Ranch (you can see pictures on the link from the website) with the dream of it one day housing rescued horses, dogs and simply being a place of refuge and peace for all of us. It has already begun welcoming visitors.

Jane's compassion for people is boundless; as is the amazing breadth of those to whom she can relate and affect. We are really blessed to have her as a friend and leader of HOPE -HOWSE. To keep this dream alive and be able to continue the good work, we need your help! We need more volunteers, we need your technical skills and we need more funds to continue new programs.

It is with this in mind that I ask the following:

In order to sustain the important work of HOPE -HOWS E and because there is no annual fund raising drive, etc. what better way to express your appreciation and support of this organization and work than by contributing now to honor Jane in this award! Furthermore, whatever you contribute immediately will be matched by an anonymous donor (up to a total of \$1500)!

So let's all honor jane davis and tell her how much we appreciate all she has done in guiding, growing and leading HOPE - HOWSE.

In effect your donation will be a 2-for-1 _ Please reply to:

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Sincerely,

Frank Hirsch - efhirsch@gmail.com

Former Chicago businessman and long time HOPE - HOWSE volunteer

RE: Honoring Jane When I met Jane Davis ten years ago by "chance," I had no idea what a profound impact she would have on my life. She has been my mentor, my friend, my role model, my teacher, and my inspirationŠa true example of love in action. Her whole life is about giving and serving others.

I am so proud and grateful to be a part of the energy and the "WE" of HOPE-HOWSE and of Jane's life. I don't believe in "chance." My meeting Jane was no 'coincidence'; it was 'arranged' by a loving Universe that is out to support us all.

When I found out that Jane was named the Department of Corrections Employee of the Year, I thought it would be wonderful to honor her and her work by giving a donation to HOPE-HOWSE. So for all the lives she and HOPE-HOWSE have touched, for the tremendous difference she and HOPE-HOWSE make in the world, I ask you to consider giving a donation to HOPE-HOWSE in Jane¹s honor so that this amazing work can continue.

With love and gratitude, Debbie Ellison