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Foundation Welcomes New Trustee

Naperville, IL — March 29, 2006 — The DuPage Community Foundation is pleased to announce the election of Frank C. Hudetz of Lisle to its Board of Trustees at its March 13 meeting.

Frank C. Hudetz is chairman & CEO of Solar Communications, Inc., based in Naperville, IL. He has worked for the company in a variety of leadership roles since 1970 helping to grow it from a small family printing business into a multi-national direct marketing and production services company now with five offices worldwide and three production facilities.

Commenting on his appointment to the board, Hudetz remarked, "I first became familiar with The DuPage Community Foundation in 1996 while serving as chairman of the East West Corporate Corridor Association (EWCCA) which, at the time, was the largest business networking organization in DuPage County. One of the Foundation's founding members, Charlie Thurston, was my mentor for the EWCCA, and showed me that The DuPage Community Foundation was a well-meaning organization to be involved with."

"I believe it makes sense for me to get involved with the Foundation at this time because I want to give back to the community that has done well for me, my family and my business. Hopefully, I can help to perpetuate all of the great things the Foundation is doing for DuPage residents," he added.

Hudetz received a Bachelor of Arts degree from North Central College in Naperville and is a United States Navy Veteran. He is a past chairman and trustee of the Naperville-based East West Corporate Corridor Association, the past chairman of Price Waterhouse Illinois Entrepreneur Association, and a former director of the West Chicago-based Ball Horticultural Company.

Hudetz is presently a member of the Direct Marketing Association, the Printing Industry of America, and the North Central College President's Club. He also serves as a trustee of the Direct Marketing Educational Foundation and as a volunteer for the Naperville MS Society.

A life-long resident of DuPage County, Hudetz resides in Lisle with his wife, Carolyn. They have two grown children.

Currently celebrating its 20th anniversary, The DuPage Community Foundation was established in 1986 and is a publicly-supported 501 (c) (3) organization to which contributions are tax deductible. The Foundation was created to benefit the people of DuPage County and receives contributions and bequests into a permanent endowment from individuals, corporations, organizations, and foundations wishing to make lasting contributions to the people of DuPage. The earnings on these funds are then used, in accordance with donor wishes, for the Foundation's grantmaking and community leadership activities.

The DuPage Community Foundation seeks to raise the quality of life throughout DuPage County by developing and channeling philanthropy to meet the needs of its residents. Based on the American virtues of volunteerism and philanthropy, the Foundation fosters a legacy of support for the people of DuPage County by making grants to not-for-profit organizations working in the arts and culture, civic affairs and historic preservation, education, environmental affairs, health, and human services.

For further information about the Foundation or to arrange future media opportunities, please contact Michael Sitrick, manager of development, at (630) 665-5556 or msitrick@dcdn.org.

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