

HISTORY OF NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

In 1945, Congress enacted a law declaring the first week in October “National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week.” In 1962, the word “physically” was omitted to acknowledge the needs and contributions of individuals with all types of disabilities. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a month, changing the name to “National Disability Employment Awareness Month.”

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The annual disability luncheon is sponsored by the President’s Advisory Council on Diversity and the Office of Mission and Identity to raise the consciousness of the Duquesne University community about disabilities.



NATIONAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH



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DISABILITY AWARENESS LUNCHEON

October 15, 2007

Noon – 1 p.m.

Duquesne Room ■ Duquesne Union

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Dickerson is a member and past president of the Homeless Children Education Fund, and a member and past chair of the Greater Pittsburgh Convention and Visitors Bureau as well as the Zoological Society of Pittsburgh. A member of Duquesne University's National Leadership Institute Honorary Advisory Council, she has been active on advisory boards for the Rangos School of Health Sciences, the A.J. Palumbo School of Business, the Nonprofit Leadership Institute and the Chrysler Corporation Small Business Development Center. She has been involved with numerous other civic and business organizations.

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REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

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GUEST SPEAKER

Linda Dickerson, A'83
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QUESTIONS AND ANSWER SESSION