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**Subject:** Re: You're invited to Heartland Alliance's Power of Healing Event!

Hi Steve,

I attended the Power of Healing: A Celebration of Heartland Alliance and the Marjorie Kovler Center at the Swissotel Chicago on Tuesday, May 23 from 6-9pm. Heartland Alliance was the sponsor of the event. I was invited to attend by Nancy Joyce Callahan from Heartland Alliance.

Ten members of the Forced Migration Photovoice project were also invited to attend. I was seated at a table with former participants. During the opening remarks, the host recognized and thanked the photovoice participants. A selection of photos and stories from the Forced Migration Photovoice project were on display for people to see and have a chance to meet the person behind the story.

The key note speakers were Peter Magai Bul and Maketh Mabior, two Lost Boys of Sudan who spoke about their resettlement journey.

Ukrainian author and journalist, Stanislav Aseyev was presented with the Sister Dianna Ortiz Award for Courage.

I'm grateful I got to be there to celebrate with the photovoice participants. It was a lovely evening.

Please let me know if you need more information.

Thanks, Steve!

Julie

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