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(Springfield, PA) Compeer of Suburban Philadelphia honored volunteers and their friends on May 19th at the organization's 21st annual Friendship Luncheon. The Friendship Luncheon is a celebration of the relationships between the volunteers and their friends who are recovering from a mental illness. This year's luncheon was held at the Springfield Inn in Springfield.

"The work we do at Compeer is unique," said Program Director Joseph Cruice. "The friendships and connections we provide create a vital foundation for healthy, long-lasting relationships."

NAMI-PA Delaware County Chapter is a grass-roots, self-help, and support and advocacy organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with severe mental illnesses. NAMI which stands for National Alliance of Mental Illness has monthly meeting first Wednesday of every month at the First Presbyterian Church of Lansdowne in Lansdowne, PA.

"Thank you for this award and we look forward working with Compeer in the future," said **Shirley Gallagher, President of NAMI-PA Delaware County Chapter.**

The Compeer program is an adjunct to therapy for people working towards mental wellness. Compeer matches supportive, caring volunteers in one-to-one, co-equal friendships. We are always looking for volunteers interested in serving on the Compeer future planning committee, a wonderful opportunity to share your visionary talents. For more information on Compeer of Suburban Philadelphia, please call Program Assistant Olga Antonyuk 610-541-0790 or visit www.compeerfriends.org.

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Photo caption: Shirley (right) accepts the Good Friend award from Compeer of Suburban Philadelphia's program assistant Olga Antonyuk at Compeer Volunteer Friendship Luncheon.

