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BREWERS' WIVES HOSTED MAJOR LEAGUE EVENT TO BENEFIT SOJOURNER FAMILY PEACE CENTER

MILWAUKEE (Aug. 20, 2010) – Over 200 attendees enjoyed a Brewers' baseball game and the ultimate VIP experience at the new Brewers' Wives Major League Event, presented by WaterStone Bank. The special event was held on Friday, Aug. 20, at the Gehl Club in Miller Park. All proceeds from the event support Sojourner Family Peace Center's many programs designed to heal families suffering from domestic abuse.

Guests were invited to mix and mingle with the Brewers' wives and partners while watching the Brewers take on the San Diego Padres. Gene Mueller emceed the event, which included premium, buffet-style food and beverages as well as Gehl Club seating.

"Events like this are great opportunities for Milwaukee residents to unite, as well as recognize that their support can truly make a difference in our community. I am honored to be part of such a worthy cause and important mission," said Michelle Counsell, wife of Brewers' infielder Craig Counsell.

Throughout the evening, guests participated in Brewers' trivia and had the chance to scoop to win diamonds and other gemstones through the "Gemstone Dig." Raffle and silent-auction prizes included two round-trip airlines tickets, an Apple iPad and exclusive, autographed Brewers' memorabilia.

"Our community continues to experience a startling escalation in domestic violence. This new event is one way the community can help us meet the increasing demand for our services," said Angela Mancuso, co-executive director of Sojourner Family Peace Center.

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Sojourner Family Peace Center's mission is to create peaceful communities in which domestic respect and a life free from violence is the right of every woman, man and child. This agency provides education, advocacy and resources to keep people safe. We operate a 42-bed shelter that has provided safety and support services to thousands of women and children. Other programs include a 24-Hour Domestic Violence Hotline, Domestic Abuse Victim Advocates in the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, Courthouse Advocacy, Family Advocacy and Support Services, Children's Advocacy, Ending Violence through Education and Beyond Abuse, for men and women seeking alternatives to abusive behavior. Sojourner Family Peace Center is committed to creating communities where people live peacefully.

To seek help from an abusive situation, call the 24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline at 414-933-2722.

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