

The Hudson Valley Heat, a 15U baseball team from Ulster County New York, announces their fundraiser dinner.

Donna Boundy, Team Parent/Secretary

KINGSTON, N.Y. - The Heat continues their community service project with Roberto's Kids by hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on May 20, 2007, from 3pm to 7pm at their local VFW Hall.

Boundy shared, "The team is asking people to bring baseball equipment to the event. Anyone who walks through the door with a donation will receive \$1 off their dinner ticket. Some of the proceeds will be shared with the Ulster County Office for the Aging as they are helping to promote the event."

Roberto's Kids collects new and gently worn baseball equipment, in the United States and Canada, for children in the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. Under the hot latin american sun it is not unusual to see shoeless children playing baseball all day long on dusty fields.

September 2006 saw the Heat team families taking inventory, sorting, boxing and labeling over 1,000 lbs. of equipment they had collected for Roberto's Kids in preparation for delivery. On September 16th, the team drove up to Oneonta in a nine vehicle convoy to meet with the Pindars and deliver their collections.

"We spent the day with Scott and Linda Greenlese, team coach, the baseball players and their parents," shared Stephen Pindar, Founder of Roberto's Kids. "This baseball team stands out among their peers. In making a commitment to community service they have demonstrated they are more than just a baseball team."

Pindar said his family will travel in to the Kingston area for the fundraiser event. "We are looking forward to partnering with The Hudson Valley Heat again this year."

Photo presentations from the Heat's September 2006 collection drive and photo collections from Dominican Republic distributions and the country's lifestyle will be shown while the Pindar's share time at the dinner.

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