

Disco fundraiser to benefit work of Michael's Way

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If you ask me, there are many ways to really dig in and get to know a person. The process doesn't need to be complicated, mind you, just enlightening.

You are probably thinking now in terms of adversity, stress or some other extraordinary circumstance in which a person might demonstrate a character trait not normally required. Surely this sort of situation could afford some insight, but I say it's what we eat that tells the real story.

People are usually very decisive when it comes to eating, and food conjures up all kinds of emotions, good and bad. We simply enjoy the taste of certain things, while others are our own personal "comfort foods." Both can say a lot about who we are.

I, for instance, am rarely without a particular type of chocolate available only at one special store. The fact that I love this candy enough to consistently hide it from my family is awfully telling, don't you think? And what about the way I always act confused when anyone asks specifically about the possibility of my sharing some of it? Once I even put some of it in a gift for one of my own children and then unwrapped the whole thing just to get the candy (which I replaced with some small boxes of raisins).

So maybe this trend of total transparency with every single person we meet is overrated, and we should stop trying to understand everyone on a personal basis.

In any case I am not sharing my chocolate. And that is all you need to know.

Michael's Way '70s Disco Fever

One group that is ready to share with our community is supporters of Michael's Way. On Aug. 26, " '70s Disco Fever" will be held to benefit the organization's efforts to improve the lives of families through educational assistance. The event will be from 7-11 p.m. at The Huguenot Loft of the Peace Center.

Scott McMillan, president of Michael's Way, says the

evening will address many goals.

"We are so excited about the upcoming disco fundraiser. Not only is it a great opportunity to have fun, but it also provides funding to support our organization's mission to assist low-income adults in increasing their earning potential through education."

Guests will enjoy their favorite '70s music and are invited to dress for the "Best Cool Attire Contest." Tickets are \$50 per person and include a buffet and two beverage tickets.

Michael's Way is a nonprofit organization that believes breaking the cycle of poverty is the best way to improve the overall health of individuals and our community.

Fundraising chair Kay Friddle says those attending are certain to have a good time.

"We want to provide adults with a fun way to get back into the swing of things after a summer of work and looking after kids. We expect people to dress in their best '70s looks and dance the night away, while at the same time supporting Michael's Way."

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