Center for Service Opportunities Newsletter: Week of November 17th, 2014

"When you learn to live for others, they will live for you"

- Paramahansa Yogananda

THIS THURSDAY!! BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK!

Come to Manchester elementary and help pack school bags for children! 5:15-6pm. For more information email <u>ovs@manchester.edu</u>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR RED CROSS BLOOD

DRIVE THIS THURSDAY! NOVEMBER 20TH

Give blood or help out with the blood drive! Sign up to volunteer or give blood at tables during lunch and dinner!

After School Program at Claypool!!

If you are part of a club or a sports team and would like to volunteer for at the Claypool afterschool program, contact <u>ovs@manchester.edu</u>

DEATH ROW SUPPORT PROJECT!

DRSP is an organization that facilitates pen pal relationships between those on death row and those on the outside. To date, more than 5,000 volunteers have participated in this program and over 1600 of the 3100 individuals currently on death row have pen pals. You can learn more about the project at <u>www.brethren.org/drsp</u>. If you would like to be a pen pal your letters must be proof read by CSO and there will be monthly gatherings to write letters. First Gathering for letter writing will be <u>Sunday, November 30th</u>.

The application is in the attachment if interested. Two different Job descriptions. Data Entry Position as well as a Marketing Position are available applications are required for the positions.

If you would like the applications email

atharley2018@spartans.manchester.edu

If interested, contact Rachel Gross, DRSP coordinator, at drsp.cob@earthlink.net or 982-7480.

Volunteer at Peabody Retirement Center! So much to volunteer for! BINGO: Monday at 10am and Local Shopping: Wednesday 1:30pm Country Drive (Weather Permitting) 2pm Tuesday Sing a Long 2pm Wednesday Crafts- Robbie the Ribbon Turkey

2pm

Please contact <u>ovs@manchester.edu</u> for information and sign-ups for these events

Winchester Senior Center Opportunities!

At Winchester you can do the following!! Bingo 9am Tuesday Euchre(noon) Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Penny Bingo (Noon) Tuesday Knitting and Crochet 1pm Tuesday Email <u>ovs@manchester.edu</u> for more information on times and days of these events!

Chess for Success Program!

Come help students learn chess and play! Fridays 3:15-4:30 at the Aquatic Center. Email <u>ovs@manchester.edu</u> for more information.

Watch for this Newsletter <u>every</u> Monday! We will be listing upcoming events and opportunities to get involved with in the local community. Please note that if YOU or YOUR CLUB/ORGANIZATION have any ideas about how you would like to serve and volunteer in the community let us know!

Fort Wayne Opportunities:

"Blessings in a Back Pack"

Location: Fairfield Elementary School 2825 Fairfield Avenue Fort Wayne, In 46807... Times: Thursdays 2 PM - 4 PM Duties: Once a week, pack plastic grocery bags with weekend food for students to take home. This requires light lifting. Boxes are unpacked and product is stacked on tables. Contact: Gretchen Neuhaus – gretchenj@volunteerfortwayne.org or Ani Etter anae@volunteerfortwayne.org or call 424-3505 for more information. Many kids need food on weekends too! Looking for an opportunity to do that is worthwhile and gives back to the community? You can choose to help just once, or whenever your schedule allows. This is a great opportunity to give back!

Lunch Servers Needed- FW Rescue Mission

Date: Saturday November 29, 2014

Time: 11:15 am – 12:45 pm

Location: 310 W. Superior (Enter at door in the middle of the Superior St side of the building)

Parking: Park in west side of the building. Volunteer job: Serve lunch to homeless guests. Volunteers must wear hat and closed-toe shoes.

To volunteer: Email <u>anae@volunteerfortwayne.org</u> or call 260.424.3505

***Please include in your response your name, date or dates you want to volunteer, & phone number

Volunteers Needed! Veterans' Stand-Down Event Helpers

What is a Stand Down? Veterans' Stand Downs are designed to provide services to homeless Veterans such as food, shelter, clothing, health screenings, VA/Social Security benefits counseling, and referrals to social services agencies.

- Date: Friday 11/21/14
- Time commitment: 9:30 am- 1:30 pm OR 1:30-6 pm.
- Location: Volunteers of America Richard Lugar Safe Haven for Homeless Veterans, 2424 Fairfield Ave.(On Fairfield south of Creighton)
- Volunteers report to: Ana Etter & Jean Joley
- Duties: Assist with registration, welcome veterans, & provide directions to the different areas of the event
- To volunteer: Email <u>anae@volunteerfortwayne.org</u> or call 260-424-3505