



Center for Service Opportunities Newsletter: Week of October 5th, 2015

“My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together”

– Desmond Tutu

Community Dinner Tuesday, Oct. 13

Come help us serve meals at the Zion Lutheran Church in North Manchester 4:15-6:30 p.m. Contact ovs@manchester.edu for more information or come into our office 1st floor Calvin Ulrey to sign up.

Halloween Haunted Police/Fire Station!

Call out meeting on Monday, Oct. 5 at 5 p.m. in the Center for Service Opportunities in Calvin Ulrey 1st floor (Across from health services). If you are unable to attend the meeting but are interested in volunteering, bring your costume over fall break and email ovs@manchester.edu for more information!

CLAYPOOL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Have a group that wants to volunteer? Volunteer for an hour for the afterschool program at Claypool Elementary. Program will begin in October. Contact Lucas Al-Zoughbi at laal-zoughbi2017@spartans.manchester.edu for more information

or to sign-up.

Blessings in a Backpack!

Come help us out at Manchester Elementary pack bags for the students. Every Thursday, come sign up in Center for Service Opportunities in Calvin Ulrey 1st floor. We will begin at 5 p.m., we'll be back before 6. For more information contact us at ovs@manchester.edu.

Death Row Support Project

Would you like to have a pen pal on death row? Contact Annika Harley at ATHarley2018@spartans.manchester.edu.

Volunteer at Peabody Retirement Center!

So much to volunteer for! Bingo, social hour, manicures, local shopping, euchre, and more! Come into the office and ask us about Peabody. Please contact ovs@manchester.edu for information and sign-ups for these event.

Skype Mentoring

Sign up to mentor kids in Kentucky over Skype! Contact ovs@manchester.edu.

Indiana Reading Corps!

Sign up to help a child love to read! Contact ovs@manchester.edu.

Veteran Day Cards!

Volunteer to help with Veteran Day cards. Contact ovs@manchester.edu.

Family Fun Day Oct. 10!

Associated Churches Military Families Program is having a fundraiser on Oct. 10 at the Allen County Fair grounds and is in need of volunteers for assisting with registration, concessions, kids games, parking, a car/jeep show, and other exhibits and activities that will be part of the day's events. Volunteers can sign in at www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d49acad23a1f94-10th.

Watch for this Newsletter **every** 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:

Jennifer Hayes

Case Manager

Fairfield Elementary

Email: Jennifer.Hayes@fwcs.k12.in.us

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!

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer!

Volunteer at Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Fort Wayne and help raise funds for cancer research! Oct. 17, 2015. For more information go this URL: main.acsevents.org/. If you plan to volunteer please let Cassidy Engle know FortWayneINStrides@cancer.org.

Volunteer at the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo!

Volunteer for our Wild Zoo Halloween event! The ten dates for the 2015 event are: October **16-18, 22-25, and 29-31.**

Guests can enter the Zoo from 12-5 p.m. daily, and are welcome to enjoy the Zoo until 6 p.m. You can read more about this event on our web site at kidszoo.org/programs-and-events/wild-zoo-halloween/. We staff in shifts for this event - either **11:30-3:15 p.m. or 2:45-6:15 p.m. (or all day if you're willing!). Timely arrival is crucial, as we meet together for assignments and instructions and then must get all 40**

volunteers into position before the event starts. We ask volunteers to make sure to serve the entire shift - it takes a fully staffed crew to ensure the event runs smoothly for our guests. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old, and we encourage them to dress in family friendly costumes (merry not scary!), and no full face masks please! We typically staff 2 people per station. We have 10 treat stations, and several more interactive and game stations. Most help needed during weekdays.

This is a rain or shine event, so volunteers should dress for the weather (including cold and rain)! Volunteers park in the gravel lot across the street from the Zoo, and enter through our service entrance at the corner of Franke Park Drive and Sherman Boulevard (by the 3-way stop signs). Veer to the right, go through the wooden gates and you'll come out inside the Zoo by Croaky the Frog and the lynx exhibit. The first ramp to your right, up the hill, leads to the Discovery Classroom where all volunteers will check in, receive their assigned positions, and instructions for the day.

If you would like to participate, please let me know names, numbers of volunteers and which dates and shift times you're available. Email or call Kathy Terlizzi at volunteer@kidszoo.org or 260-427-6828.

"Ride for Whiskers & Wags"

Benefiting Fort Wayne Pet Food Pantry

Date: Saturday October 31, 2015

Time: 10 am- 3:30 pm

Location: Lucky Harley Davidson, 6315 Illinois Rd.

Volunteers report to: Pam Tracy @ FW Pet Food Pantry tent outside Lucky Harley Davidson

Parking: Park in lot closest to highway

Volunteer duties: Help with bike registration, pet costume contest, staff silent auction tables/answer questions, assist & direct vendors

What to wear: Dress according to weather. Halloween costumes welcome!

To volunteer: Email fwpetfoodpantry@yahoo.com