

Center for Service Opportunities Newsletter: Week of December 7th, 2015

"In about the same degree as you are helpful, you will be happy"

-Karl Reiland

Happy Holidays! Have a great break!

Community Dinner Tuesday, Dec. 8

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. The Valentine's Day Community Dinner is Feb. 9, 2016. Help at the community dinner, cooking with Chef Chris, or help make decorations! Contact ovs@manchester.edu for more information.

"Passport to Adventure" at Manchester Intermediate School!

It's Passport to Adventure Week at MIS for the 6th graders and are in need of a presenter to speak with the kids. This volunteer opportunity is Dec. 10, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Email Tommy Riggs at tommy riggs@mcs.k12.in.us for more information.

CLAYPOOL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

Blessings in a Backpack!

Help us out at Manchester Elementary pack bags for the students. Every Thursday 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!

Calling Bingo

- **Assisting with Bingo**
- Running an exercise group
- **Doing Crafts**
- Singing
- **Dancing**
- Playing the piano or other musical instrument
- Reading a book, magazine, or newspaper to a resident
- Taking a resident for a walk
- One on One games
- **Fun Trivia Games**
- Transporting residents to and from chapel on Sunday afternoons (it's quite a long walk)

Come into the office and ask us about Peabody. Please contact kari.wilkinson@peabodyrc.org for information and to sign-up for these events.

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!

Volunteers Needed! AWS Fantasy of Lights @ Franke Park

Bring a friend & enjoy the lights!

Location: Franke Park

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Thursday, Dec. 31

Time: Sundays-Thursdays (6-9 pm); Fridays & Saturdays (6-10

pm)

Volunteers report to: Natasha Kennedy

Volunteer duties: Greet cars, collect admission, and hand out brochures. A heated trailer will be available to warm up, and enjoy hot chocolate, coffee, tea and snacks.

What to wear: Winter coat and boots, hat and gloves.

***All volunteers will receive a free pass to enjoy the event

To volunteer: Email Natasha Kennedy at

nkennedy@bluejacketinc.org

Community Center Volunteer Opportunity!

We have a Holiday Dinner and Light Tour on Dec. 14 that we need volunteers to help serve from 5-8 p.m. Email Linda Falatar at Linda.Falater@cityoffortwayne.org or call her at 260-427-6466 for more information.