

# RSVP Action Line

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## RSVP DIRECTOR'S CORNER

WHAT IS AN RSVP VOLUNTEER ?

RSVP members are kind, courteous and polite at all times.

They are dedicated.

They care for people.

They put in many volunteer hours.

They are retired or semi-retired.

They are 60 years of age and older.

They share their special talents.

They enjoy being busy.

They are very special people who give of themselves for a very special cause.

If you know anyone who fits the above description, tell them about RSVP.

Keep up the good work and remember to turn in your volunteer hours wherever you serve.

*Sarah Richie*

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Volunteers who enjoy watching TV or listening to radio are needed to keep a record of any mention of Metro United Way or its agencies. This will be an ongoing volunteer service. Please call RSVP at 583-2821 for more information.



### RSVP CELEBRATES 10th ANNIVERSARY

Nearly 700 volunteers and their guests celebrated RSVP's 10th Anniversary at a festive luncheon on June 25th at the Galt House.

Wayne Perkey, WHAS DJ was Master of Ceremonies and entertainment was provided by Jim Barnett, coordinator of United Way's Information and Referral service along with his accompanist, Tom Wanca. Barnett known as "CHEL" sang lovely modern renditions of familiar songs, as well as an original composition of his own.

As "Stars of the Show", 58 active volunteers were awarded for ten years of continuous service. Also recognized were 72 RSVP members  
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Shown above: Sarah Richie, RSVP Director reads names of honor volunteers at Anniversary Luncheon.

## RSVP CELEBRATES 10th ANNIVERSARY continued

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who have earned 5-year service pins.

Congratulations to the "Stars of the Show" were extended by Jeannie Heatherly, RSVP advisory council chairperson, Jack Costello, Executive Director of Metro United Way, and Blanche Cooper, representing Mayor Sloane, who read a proclamation from him making June 25, 1983 RSVP VOLUNTEER DAY. Volunteers were audibly pleased when Ms. Heatherly read a letter of congratulations from the First Lady, Nancy Reagan. (See page 5)

Ms. Heatherly also extended thank-you's to the Younger Woman's Club of Louisville for its generous grant for transportation of volunteers; to the RSVP recognition committee who planned the affair; to Perkey, "CHEL" and Wanca for their contributions to the program; and to Metro United Way and ACTION, Inc. for continued support to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Lovely donations from 18 business firms delighted the audience as Sarah Richie, RSVP director conducted a drawing for 34 door prizes. Volunteers were most appreciative of this recognition from the community.

The 58 RSVP 10-year members are:

Susanna Aebi, Elizabeth Bandt, M. Elizabeth Becker, Catherine Beierlein, Mary Agnes Bettag, Cecilia Brunner, Katherine Buck, Stella Buenger, Frances Bufkin, Frances Byford, Georgette Cahill, Ellen Campbell, Sarah Carter, Rowland Cary, Catherine Delahanty, Patsy Dugan, Anna Evola, Gertrude Fears, Flossie Ferguson, Elzora Gates, Merle Grove, Mildred Hardin, Christine Heck, Fred Heck, Eleanor Hoover, Charles Hosea, Irene Hoskinson, Bertha Jackie, Anna Klein, Mary Krahl, Lorena LaFollette, Emma Lydon, Ina Mae Moss, Theresa Neal, Mary Newcomer, Mary Olges, Eugenia Parent, Jeanetta Paulin, Clara Pfaadt, Elizabeth Rheinlaender, June Saizan, Margaret Schooler, Nellie Schwalk, Beulah Shain, Winnie Sherrill, Zara Siebe, Richard Siebel, Kirby Stoll, Matilda Sullivan, Zella Switzer, Alean Uselton, Nora Waegner, Thelma Walter, Carrie Williams, Mae Wilson, Alma Wiseman, Caroline Zaepfel, Loretta Zax.

The 72 RSVP volunteers earning their 5-year pins are:

Annie Anderson, Emma Arthur, Anna Avery, Bethania Bell, Marge Bradway, Mary Browning, Mary Bell Bullitt, Myrtle Bush, George Carter, Kathleen Carter, Mary Jane Clayton, Sarah Collins, Violet Cook, Luvenia Cooke, Coreaner Davis, Margaret Donoho, Irene Eckles, Sister Robert Angela Fleischman, Edward Gottbrath, Ollie Mae Graves, Clydia Grayson, Sister Mary Clement Greenwell, Ida Hacker, Frances Hardeman, Frank Hardeman, Irene Hardesty, Hallie Harper, Emma Fioran, Dorothy Horrell, Julia Ivy, Ora Jenkins, Anna Belle Johnson, Louis Johnson, Ethel Jones, Dorothy Kamber, Lucille Kamer, Martha Lenahan, Evelyn Mathely, Ann Mildred Miller, Florence Miller, A. W. Mitchell, Ruby Mollyhorn, Pellie Murphy, Ethel McKnight, Virginia Neel, Fern Oatson, Lola Patrick, Robert Payne, Lillian Pearson, Lucy Powell, Howard Richburg, Jessie Robertson, Georgia Schreiber, Edna Scott, Catherine Sedoris, Rupert Smith, Ruth Smith, Lillian Sparks, Anna Stephenson, Ida Sullivan, Elizabeth Swanson, Mary Thomas, Helen Thumas, Carrie Van Natta, Golena Vinson, McConnell Voss, Agnes White, Mabel Wiggins, Margaret Wilhelmus, Fannie Woodfork, Mary Ann Zoeller.

### STAFF MEMBER HONORED FOR SERVICE

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The RSVP Advisory Council and staff surprised staff member, Margaret Lorenzen, at the 10th Anniversary Luncheon by special recognition of her ten years of service to the Retired Senior Volunteer program. A beautiful yellow rose and a julep cup were gifts of appreciation.

Mrs. Lorenzen was selected secretary of the program at its inception in April 1973. She has watched RSVP grow from 104 members that first year to over 1,000 members in 1983.

Besides her secretarial duties and keeping records for every volunteer, Mrs. Lorenzen assumed the position of field coordinator in 1980.

The Advisory Council and RSVP staff members are truly appreciative of Margaret Lorenzen's many years of dedicated service to the program.

# More Happy Birthdays ...

## JUNE

Catherine Duncan  
Viola Ehram  
Inez Elzey  
Henry Erlich  
Gertrude Fears  
Etta Fines  
Charles Fort  
Douglas Fowler  
Helen French  
Mary Glenn  
Theresa Goatley  
Henrietta Graves  
Ruth Hardison  
Ida Hauber  
Frances Heitz  
Virginia Helm  
Mary Hettich  
Dorothy Horrell  
Mattie Horton  
Ernest Hume  
Thelma Husband  
Ora Jenkins  
Catherine Jones  
Violet Kane  
Maybel Lightsey  
Thomas Lightsey  
Catherine Lobred  
Harold Maier  
Sister Mary Daniel  
Ruby Mollyhorn  
Elizabeth McClain  
Johanna McReynolds  
Eugene Noe  
Irene O'Loughlin  
Marie Patterson  
Frances Payne  
Marie Petralli  
Ethel Prewitt  
Russell Rigdon  
Hilda Saddler  
Ethel Scheser  
Catherine Sedoris  
John Seeley  
Naomi Sirles  
Emma Smith  
Ruth Smith  
Ida Sullivan  
Mattie Taylor  
Mary Thomas  
Ruby Trombley

Bettie Trowell  
Jenny Wallace  
Dorothy White  
Carrie Williams  
Mae Wilson  
Catherine Youmans  
Caroline Zaepfel

THE WHITE HOUSE

June 3, 1983

Dear Friends:

Although I cannot be with you, I wanted to send my special regards to each member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program being honored at today's luncheon.

You all know what a special place in my heart I have for ACTION's older volunteers. Your dedication and devotion cannot be measured by an hourly wage, for the time and effort you give can only be reflected in the hearts of the individuals you befriend and help.

I salute you and send all best wishes for a successful year.

Sincerely,

Nancy Reagan

Nancy Reagan's letter to members of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Louisville/Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Elizabeth Rehm  
 Lorene Ritchie  
 Robert Samuels  
 Ella Sanford  
 Lucas Sherman  
 Opel Shrewsbury  
 Florence Simmons  
 Geraldine Smith  
 Mary Steier  
 Ruth Stopher  
 Lillie Mae Stover  
 John Tandy  
 Mona Tiller  
 Susie Van Dyke  
 Martin Voelker  
 Irene Welch  
 Bernice Wiggins  
 Janet Wilson  
 Elsie Young

Mary Hettich  
 Addie Howard  
 Janice Hurd  
 Anna Jackson  
 Ellis Jackson  
 Bessie Johnson  
 Geneva Johnson  
 Carolyn Lane  
 Bert Leshner  
 John Leshner  
 Antoinette Leslie  
 Lucy Lichtsteiner  
 Elizabeth Lutz  
 Mary Mathison  
 Mary McCauley  
 Alice McDougal  
 Margaret Moore  
 Phillip O'Daniel  
 Lucille Powell

Mildred Anglin  
 Aline Baldwin  
 Mary Blanford  
 Mary Louise Boles  
 Velma Booth  
 Alyne Bradshaw  
 Mildred Brown  
 Sister Callistus  
 Bessie Childs  
 Virginia Elliott  
 Esther Espy  
 Hedy Farmer  
 W. A. Farmer  
 Josephine Ford  
 Dorothy Foster  
 Walter Freeman  
 Damon Hart  
 C. M. Hauenstein, Jr.  
 Mary Herriford

RSVP WELCOMES THESE NEW VOLUNTEERS AT MANY COUNTY SITES

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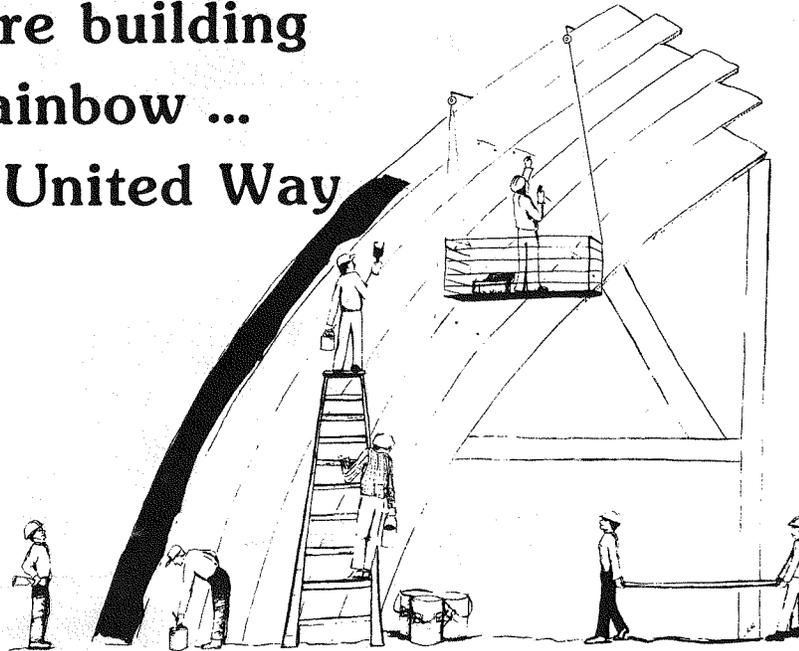


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**We're building  
a rainbow ...  
The United Way**



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Since Metro United Way is the sponsor of RSVP and provides a part of our funding, all RSVP members are considered a part of the United Way Family.

Several of you have already been helping United Way "build a rainbow" by preparing for the 1983 Campaign - others will be assisting with the campaign itself. We think you all are a great crew and we thank you for whatever part you've played. Together we can build a rainbow of success.

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"Building a rainbow the United Way" was the theme at Metro United Way's campaign kick-off luncheon on September 9th at the Galt House.

Nearly 750 representatives of business, industry, government and agencies heard the good news from George N. Gill, campaign chairman that United Way's pilot campaign had already produced over \$2 million - or 19.8% of 1983's goal. This is a 14% increase over the monies pledged last year at kick-off time and Gill termed it a great start towards building a rainbow.

Ten companies who completed their pilot campaigns were recognized for significant increases in corporate and/or employee giving. A. Ray Smith Louisville Redbirds owner was welcomed and thanked for his contribution of gate receipts on United Way Night at the Redbirds game on August 22nd.

Dr. Eugene Petrik, president of Bellarmine College and president of the United Way Board of Directors also presented Smith with a plaque of appreciation.

Petrik pointed out the new, more dynamic role United Way has assumed in meeting human needs in the metro area. Among the innovative services is a special outreach service to assist the unemployed - principally the newly unemployed in finding answers to their problems. Petrik also listed the flex funding program which furnishes one time emergency funds for any agency whose programs are meeting critical human needs and are in jeopardy.

Gill predicted a "rainbow of success" for the 1983 campaign which has a goal of \$10,258,984 - and he recognized everyone present as part of the rainbow building crew.

# RSVP Volunteers in Action

## at Senior House



Above: Ceramics volunteers Dot Kremer, Agnes Laws, Reta Wallace, Bonnie Thompson, Hazel Jenne, Roberta Profumo, Mary Burgess make Xmas ornaments.



Below: Sewing volunteers Elizabeth Swanson, M. Elizabeth Becker, Novella Jones, Emily Lutz hand-finish clothes for Christ Church Clothes Closet.

Right: Katherine Buck and Ida Mae Jones stitch a dress for a little girl.



Below: Martha Hickerson and Ismail Ali pick-up Mobile Meals to deliver to shut-ins. Martha often uses a child's wagon when she has several of the heavy trays to deliver.



Above: Nutrition volunteers Josephine Vowels, Hattie McElroy, Leona Pratt help Manager Dorothy Hodge serve the noon meal to residents and members.



## VOLUNTEER SERVICE ABOUNDS AT SENIOR HOUSE

When Senior House opened its doors on June 6, 1963, its quarters in the old YMCA were envisioned as a drop-in center where senior citizens could meet friends or stop for coffee. Now, 20 years later Senior House is lodged in spacious quarters at Dosker Manor and offers such a variety of activities that we don't have room to list them all. In addition, Senior House has established 8 outreach centers at other locations in the city.

Last year over 7,000 persons took part in Senior House programs. All programs are maintained by Senior House volunteers in either a leadership or support capacity. Most volunteers are members of RSVP and we are proud of the services they have given to this community.

A group of 25-30 ladies sew clothes for Christ Church Clothes Closet which furnishes free clothing to persons in need. Another group of 12-15 assists non-profit agencies with mailings of thousands of letters, brochures, etc., while a talented group of artisans have made ceramic ornaments for the Mayor's Christmas tree and for other agencies. Twenty volunteers help with the nutrition program at Dosker Manor (the day we were there for pictures, volunteers were extra busy serving 40 guests from Graceland Baptist Church in New Albany, Ind.).

Several volunteers brave the heat of summer and cold winter winds to deliver meals to shut-ins in the 3 Dosker Manor residences. RSVP volunteers at Senior House also assist with the Health Clinics and many act as hosts/hostesses for special Senior House events. Others staff the reception desk at Senior House, while RSVP members who live at Dosker Manor serve at security desks in each of the 3 buildings, thereby affording fellow residents an added measure of safety.

At Senior House West (an outreach branch) members of RSVP have been spreading a special kind of community cheer. Their Jug Band with all manner of instruments has received many invitations to perform - in nursing homes, on the Belvedere and the Belle of Louisville, as well as for other groups of senior citizens. They're a joy to see and hear!

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## WHO'S WHO IN RSVP



Mrs. Margaret Lorenzen (shown above) has been an invaluable part of RSVP staff since the program began in Louisville in 1973. For ten years she has kept all the records for volunteers - the sites where they serve, the number of days and total hours they give each month which is no small task when volunteers now number more than 1,000. She also has been responsible for typing RSVP quarterly and annual reports, the budget, Newsletter, correspondence and all other secretarial duties necessary to the program.

In 1980 Margaret was appointed Field Coordinator for RSVP and along with other sites, was assigned to Senior House where she has enrolled many new RSVP volunteers. She is particularly sensitive to the satisfaction which older persons find in being busy and needed; and she enjoys seeing RSVP volunteers at Senior House and her other sites using their creative talents and energies in a variety of ways.

RSVP advisory council and staff recognized Margaret Lorenzen for her considerable contribution to the RSVP program at the June recognition luncheon. What wasn't mentioned is her keen sense of humor. One of the quips she likes best is: "Humor is a reminder that no matter how high the throne one sits on, one sits on one's bottom."

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Senior House continued

Senior House is a United Way agency and RSVP volunteers there generously give of their time to Metro United Way campaigns. Contributions from Senior House add to the success of every campaign.

BELL'S LOCAL MEASURED SERVICE MAY SAVE YOU MONEY

Many people are concerned that they won't be able to afford a telephone at all when rates go up in January. South Central Bell has proposed a flat rate for premium local service of \$34.03 a month.

However, according to R. L. Eubank, district manager for Bell, people may avoid paying high phone rates by using Local Measured Service. Eubank says: "People should be able to pay less for phone service if they don't make a lot of calls, or are willing to change their phone habits in order to save."

Eubank explains that Measured Service means all of your outgoing local calls are measured by computer according to the time of day the call is made, how long it lasts and how far the call travels. You pay less for calls made after 5 p.m. on weekdays, or weekends from 5 p.m. Friday to 5 p.m. Sunday. Calls closest to your home are less than calls that go farther.

There are two Measured Service options:

Standard Measured Service - means your monthly rate is 25% less than the premium flat rate. You get \$4.50 of local calls free. (Bell calls this a Calling Credit). You only pay more than the 25% discounted rate if you make more than \$4.50 worth of calls.

(In January, Bell's proposed rate for this service will be \$19.03 per month, with a \$7.50 Calling Credit. This Calling Credit would cover about 100 local calls (each four minutes long to a nearby number). It would take 300 of these typical calls before you reached the proposed premium flat rate of \$34.03).

Low-Use Measured Service - means your monthly rate is 50% less than the premium flat rate. Every outgoing local call is measured and added to your bill. This service is ideal for someone who makes few local calls and keeps a phone mostly for emergencies, or to receive calls.

(In January, Bell's proposed rate for this service will be \$11.03 per month, with a surcharge of 10 cents added to every outgoing call. It would take 120 typical 4-minute calls before you reached the premium flat rate).

Eubank states that Measured Service is not for everyone. Those who make lots of calls or whose calls last a long time may not save money. He adds that Measured Service is a choice and a way to save if you don't use the phone very much and your calls are fairly short.

Bell will switch you to Measured Service free of charge and switch you back for free if you decide it is not for you. To get this service and for more information call - toll free - 1-800-292-2345, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

VIALS OF LIFE SAVE LIVES

JOIN UNITED WAY'S MEDIA WATCH CLUB

Many of you have asked us how to obtain the "Vials of Life" kits - those valuable little containers which enable the Emergency Medical Service (EMS), the police, friends and neighbors or others to know immediately how to help you in an emergency. They are available through the Jefferson County Committee on Aging (JCCA) at Miles Memorial Community Center.

The Center is located at 1468 Bland St. (1 block from the intersection of Shelby and Burnett Streets). William Wiggins, director has vials on hand for individuals or groups of seniors. A 20¢ donation per vial is requested to help maintain the program. Mr. Wiggins can also arrange for Mrs. Inez Wright, chairman of the Vials of Life Committee for JCCA to speak to your group about the use of the vials. You can reach him at 636-2169.

EMS supervisor Brad Learn tells us that the "Vials of Life" have been life-savers in many instances where EMS has been called. He warns, however, that the information they contain - your physical problem, your medication, your doctors etc. - must be kept up-to-date. Learn says that serious problems arise when persons forget to do this. If you have further questions you may contact Phyllis Thornton, EMS 587-3530.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Brown who where among RSVP members serving as hosts/hostesses at the State Fair report that they had a most enjoyable experience and met many interesting retirees. The Fair Board established Heritage Hall as a gathering area for senior citizens and the Browns say it proved to be a lovely place to relax with very reasonably priced food. RSVP thanks the Browns and other RSVP members who also served as volunteers at the State Fair.

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A unique opportunity for RSVP members and others who enjoy TV and/or Radio is the Media Watch Club. United Way's Marketing and Communications Division has established the club as a research tool that will tell them how effective United Way publicity is here in the metro area. Members will keep track of the times United Way or any of its 69 agencies are mentioned on TV or radio.

Volunteers will be given a monthly log to record what they see or hear as well as the total number of hours they have spent listening to radio or watching TV. While participation every day and every evening is not required, we would like to hear from persons who especially enjoy TV and/or radio. Seniors who are homebound but would like to give some form of community service can be enrolled in RSVP and become a part of the Media Watch Club.

Interested? Please call RSVP 583-2821 to get started. Also, please tell your retired friends and neighbors about this volunteer service. We will be happy to include them in the program too.

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CARRY ON, Katherine Kirwan's column in the Courier Journal recently featured RSVP's only father-son volunteers, Charles and William Hosea. Their stories of their volunteer service were so inspiring that we received several calls from retirees who wished to get started volunteering too. Charles Hosea, the father, has been with American Red Cross for 30 years, while William Hosea started in 1981 as a tutor for elementary children with learning problems. He now is with the Jefferson County Police Drug Education Unit. We are very proud of the contribution these two generations of the Hosea family are making to our community.

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# Happy Birthday Volunteers!

## JULY

Sister Margaret Albert  
Beatrice Bartsch  
Kathleen Basham  
Amy Bateman  
M. Elizabeth Becker  
Clyde Beckman  
Catherine Bronger  
Elizabeth Brosnan  
Stella Buenger  
Mary Burgess  
Sister Callistus  
Kathleen Carter  
Jessie Crady  
Lillian Davis  
James Day  
Mary Dettlinger  
Sister Etienne  
Josephine Ford  
Edward Frantz  
Edward Gottbrath  
Maurice Gould  
Emma Gray  
Roberta Hadley  
Evelyn Hall  
Virginia Head  
S. J. Herp  
Marie Hobbs  
Mary Hodge  
Mary Houston  
Melvina Ison  
Bertha Jackie  
Sister Louis Jarboe  
Joseph Jesse  
Bessie Johnson  
Lucille Kamer  
Mildred Kippes  
Martha Lowry  
Lucile Maddox  
Anna Mickens  
Dorothy Mikesell  
Marie Miller  
Margaret Moore  
Sylvia Myers  
Daisy McCormick  
America McRea  
Mary Newcomer  
Irene Niemeier  
Gertrude Peak  
Lucille Pennix  
Sister Mary Placide  
Mary Rudolph  
Elizabeth Sauter  
Elmer Sauter

Elizabeth Schaefer  
Francis Schnabel  
Nellie Schwalk  
Estelle Scott  
Etta Sears  
Ethel Simon  
Hazel Smith  
Joseph Sohm  
Kirby Stoll  
Irene Stoner  
Zella Switzer  
Frances Taylor  
C. Vance Terrell  
Sister Victoria  
Josephine Vowels  
Carroll Williams  
Hazel Williams  
Agnes Zurkuhlen

## AUGUST

Emma Arthur  
Mary Louise Boles  
Marge Bradway  
Ruth Brandt  
Williqm Brown  
Frances Bufkin  
Mary Calhoon  
Eva Clark  
Arthur Connick  
Luvenia Cooke  
Henrietta Cornock  
Lottie Cotton  
Mary Cottrell  
Dorothy Cox  
Coreaner Davis  
Riva Duran  
Minnie Eastridge  
Sister Teresa Edward  
Dorothy Foster  
Mary Gillespie  
Horace Gore  
Beatrice Gough  
Sadye Grossman  
Hallie Harper  
Trudy Harper  
Henry Heller  
Lucille Henehan  
Ann Herbig  
Kathryn Houts  
Addie Howard  
Lucille Howard  
Hattie Hughes

Julia Ivy  
Frances Kaelin  
Mattie Kelley  
Vestalia Kimbulian  
Eligius Kircher  
Anna Klein  
Lorena LaFollette  
Sister Mary Louise  
Emily Lutz  
Zelpha Lyles  
Mary Mathison  
Louise Mitchell  
Mary Morris  
Beatrice Mullins  
Emma McKinney  
Florence McLaughlin  
Clarence Norris  
Fern Oatson  
Pansy Olges  
Charles Patton  
Joseph Popham  
Lucille Powell  
Talitha Prentice  
Mary Ress  
Geraldine Rigdon  
Lorene Ritchie  
Elizabeth Rodgers  
Oscar Roth  
Helen Schmitt  
Edith Slayton  
Florence Smith  
Leon Smith  
Lillian Sparks  
Hattie Speagle  
Ruth Stopher  
Emma Taylor  
Veronica Vezolles  
McConnell Voss  
Aline Weber  
George Wernz  
Lucille Whaley  
Roy Whalin  
Mabel Wiggins  
James Wiseman  
Olga Wiseman

## SEPTEMBER

Mary Adams  
Annie Anderson  
Victoria Aprile  
Mayola Ayers  
Esther Ball

# More Happy Birthdays ...

## SEPTEMBER

Addie Belvin  
Joanne Benim  
Helen Bennett  
Carl Boehler  
Alyne Bradshaw  
Helen Brooks  
Leona Brooks  
Mildred Brown  
Cecilia Brunner  
Sister Cecilia  
Thelma Curtis  
Theresa Davis  
Margaret Donoho  
John Duerr  
Ruth Edmundson  
Virginia Elliott  
Anita Fichteman  
Emma Flood  
Lena Frierson  
Sue Garvin  
Susie Gates  
Jamesetta Gilkey  
Sister Mary Grace  
Lucille Green  
Rose Gunther  
George Hans  
Frances Hardeman  
Frances Haskell  
Elizabeth Hicks  
Susie Holiday  
Elbert Hooper  
Margaret Horn  
Bennie Howell  
Carolyn Ising  
Bernice Jackson  
Josephine Johnson  
Luevenia Johnson  
Mary Johnson  
Zilla Jones  
Lynn Jordan  
F. C. Kintler  
Louise Mahoney  
Ben Marks  
Lucille Martin  
Minnie Miranda  
Louise Morris  
Nellie McCoy  
Alice McDougal  
Virginia McGurk  
Aline Nelson  
Thelma Neurath  
Florence Oldham  
Clara Pfaadt

Walter Pinnick  
John Prentice  
Emily Quan  
Ethel Quesenberry  
Leona Robins  
Imelda Ross  
Ruby Ross  
Luella Rucker  
Martha Rueff  
Virginia Schupp  
Zara Siebe  
Lillian Siebert  
Attie Sternberg  
Dorothy Stone  
Verna Storms  
Marguerite Strohman  
Mayola Taylor  
Zinna Taylor  
Thelma Vardeman  
Mary Voll  
Nora Waegner  
Mary White  
Minnie Wiseman  
Rosella Wiseman  
Carrie Zaring

## HAPPENINGS FOR SENIORS

Metro Parks Senior Division has planned a busy fall schedule for seniors:

October 7, 14, & 21 - a Golf Clinic at Seneca Park.

October 10 - a Bowling Tournament at Parkmoor Lanes.

October 18 & 20 - a Retirement Seminar co-sponsored by the Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Education Division at Atherton High School.

October 19 - the "Fall Fling" at Highlands American Legion Post.

November 16 - a Harvest Dinner Dance at Highlands American Legion Post.

Call 968-6084 to make reservations for October 19 and November 16, and for more information about the other events.

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES YOU CAN HELP US FILL

The call for volunteers is unending and many agencies have an urgent need for caring persons to help them meet critical human needs. Among the newest RSVP sites are: ACCEPT, Baptist Fellowship Center, COPES, Inc. Catholic Charities' Refugee Program, Jeffersontown Senior Center and St. Benedict's Center for Early Childhood Education.

The variety of opportunities these sites offer range from St. Benedict need for grandmothers who've lots of love for little ones to ACCEPT volunteers who will counsel families with financial problems and help liquidate their debts. Catholic Charities needs someone for 2 hours a day on the first 5 days of each month to assist with receiving rent payments from refugee families. COPES volunteers provide education to families and schools about drug and alcohol abuse among children, while J'town Senior Center has a long list of volunteer opportunities.

Please tell your friends and neighbors about RSVP. You are our best advertisers. To get started call 583-2821.



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RSVP WELCOMES THESE NEW VOLUNTEERS AT MANY COUNTY SITES

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- Virginia Arms
- Beatrice Bartsch
- Joanne Benim
- Dorothy Bowman
- Sister Dolorine
- Leona Elsler
- Percy Ferriss
- Sr. Theresa Getchell
- Alberta Gurnell
- Ruby Grote
- James Hardesty

- Alberta Hardesty
- Dorcas Hesse
- Josephine Hinkle
- Gladys Keene
- Margaret Kinsinger
- Harold Little
- Izetta Mahoney
- Virginia McGurk
- Gladys Miller
- Norma Miller
- Gladys Minyard

- Loretta Niebauer
- Irene Niemeier
- Bonnie Parris
- Dale Pate
- Virginia Schupp
- Verna Storms
- Marguerite Strohman
- Irma Tandy
- William Tate
- Bertie Troutman
- Sr. Jean West
- Lydia York

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## RSVP DIRECTOR'S CORNER

### ATTENTION - ATTENTION - ATTENTION SITE MANAGERS AND VOLUNTEERS!

An update of RSVP Policies: The policies outlined below are current as of January 1, 1983. Changes in policies and procedures may occur periodically. If so, you will receive notice of these changes through the mail.

#### VOLUNTEER ENROLLMENT POLICY

##### Eligibility Requirements:

1. Sixty years of age or older.
2. Retired or semi-retired.
3. Willing to serve as a volunteer without compensation excepting for meal and travel reimbursement.
4. Willing to accept supervision as required and capable of serving in designated assignment.

#### WITHDRAWAL POLICY

If a Senior Volunteer is absent for 100 consecutive days, he shall be considered as having withdrawn from the project and will lose all rights to RSVP insurance coverage. Such persons are eligible for reinstatement upon request.

#### MONTHLY REPORTING PROCEDURES

The monthly report form which Site Managers return to the RSVP office is very important to the program. Volunteer hours are also very important. This is our only means of keeping an accurate record of each person's volunteer activity. These hours are used in program analysis, quarterly and annual reports and in determining eligibility for volunteer awards and recognition. Volunteers, please report all hours to your Site Managers.

Forms for the current month will be mailed from the RSVP office to Site Managers around the 21st of the month. Each volunteer's name will be typed on the form by our office. Site Managers should record the number of days of service, total monthly hours and amount of reimbursement due any volunteer for meals and travel according to reimbursement guidelines.

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Mary Ann Bowling, RSVP Staff gives Miss Caroline Zaepfel, 91 her Kentucky Colonel Certificate while Inda Mae Moss looks on.

#### RSVP HONORS 10-YEAR VOLUNTEERS

When first established in Louisville in 1973, RSVP had 105 members. Now, ten years later it has 1,000 members of whom 60 who joined RSVP in 1973 are still active volunteers! Because RSVP appreciates them, they were guests of honor at a special brunch, February 22, 1983 where they helped celebrate RSVP's 10th Birthday.

Ms. Jeannie Heatherly, RSVP Advisory Council Chairperson welcomed the volunteers and noted that they had served a total of 17,800 hours in 1982. At minimum wage rates this would be worth nearly \$60,000. Ms. Heatherly pointed out however that their loyalty, their long years of service, and the good they have done cannot be measured.

Gary Heck, an advisory council member and Master of Ceremonies introduced the following:

Ms. Blanche Cooper of Mayor Sloane's office who read the Mayor's proclamation designating February 22, 1983 as RSVP Day;

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Mrs. Molly Leonard of County Judge Executive McConnell's office who presented the volunteers with certificates of appreciation from him;

A. G. Spizzirri, Associate Executive Director who expressed Metro United Way's appreciation of RSVP volunteers, giving each one a ceramic tile saying "THANKS";

Mrs. Sarah Richie, RSVP Director who presented certificates inscribed with each volunteer's name to hang at the agencies where they are serving;

Mr. George Zocklein, state specialist for ACTION, Inc. who congratulated RSVP volunteers and announced ACTION's nationwide goals for 1983;

Dr. Bob Davis of Lt. Governor Martha Lane Collins' office who made these honor guests very happy with certificates from her declaring each one a Kentucky Colonel!

Richard Miller, an advisory council member who gave the Invocation.

After brunch, Beulah Cowherd and Helen Givens, advisory council members led the singing of "Happy Birthday, RSVP," while Mae Armour, West Side Nutrition Center Manager cut the beautifully decorated birthday cake. RSVP advisory council members and staff assisted in serving cake and punch to their very special guests.

Volunteers who are ten-year members are:  
AMERICAN RED CROSS: Frances Bufkin, Frances Byford, Rowland Cary, Merle Grove, Charles Hosea, Mary Krahl, Wain Kroeger, Winnie Sherrill, Zara Siebe, Richard Siebel, Mae Wilson

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH SEWING: Mildred Hardin, June Saizan

NUTRITION PROGRAM:  
JEFFERSON STREET: Catherine Beierlein  
WEST SIDE: Lorena LaFollette, Carrie Williams

PARKLAND BRANCH LIBRARY: George Graham, Eugenia Parrent

SENIOR HOUSE INC: Susanna Aebi, Elizabeth Bandt, M. Elizabeth Becker, Mary Agnes Bettag, Cecilia Brunner, Katherine Buck, Stella Buenger, Georgette Cahill, Sarah Carter, Patsy Dugan, Anna Evola, Flossie Ferguson, Elzora Gates, Eleanor Hoover, Inda Mae Moss, Jeanetta Paulin, Margaret Schooler, Beulah Shain, Kirby Stoll, Matilda Sullivan, Nora Waegner, Caroline Zaepfel

SENIOR HOUSE WEST: Alean Uselton

ST. JOSEPH HOME FOR CHILDREN: Catherine Delehanty, Gertrude Fears, Bertha Jackie, Anna Klein, Wain Kroeger, Emma Lydon, Theresa Neal, Mary Newcomer, Mary Olges, Clara Pfaadt, Elizabeth Rheinlaender, Nellie Schwalk, Thelma Walter, Alma Wiseman, Loretta Zax

SOUTH LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES:  
STS. MARY & ELIZABETH MOBILE MEALS:  
Irene Hoskinson

VNA/CHURCH WOMEN UNITED MOBILE MEALS:  
NORTON-CHILDRENS' HOSPITAL: Christine Heck, Fred Heck, Zella Switzer  
ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL: Ellen Campbell

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL CENTER:  
Mary Teresa Peebles

BUECHEL SENIORS: Zara Siebe

BUECHEL NUTRITION: Wain Kroeger

TELECARE: Mary Krahl

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IN LOVING MEMORY

Mrs. Wain Kroeger, RSVP volunteer at American Red Cross, St. Joseph Home and Buechel Senior Center had made her reservation to attend the Brunch. We are deeply sorry that her sudden death occurred a week before. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

LOVE IS -

Love is like a Christmas package -  
It matters not so much  
What we put on the outside -  
Its whats in the heart that counts.

Though you may be clothed in the very best -  
Fine furs, gold and silver,  
And all the rest -  
It matters not what others see,  
Its the love that you give to others and me.

You can't store it up or put it on hold -  
For it does not keep,  
Nor can it be sold.  
Held too tightly-it slips away -  
Unsure of the real meaning it'll never stay.

If its kept in the hope that upon each day,  
You will have a chance to give it away -  
Then you will not hold it so tightly -  
For you just may -  
Have a chance to give it to someone today.

Leona Skees Wentzell  
RSVP Volunteer

Mrs. Wentzell is a Project English volunteer as well as a school tutor at Kenwood elementary.

The Site Manager must sign the form and return it to the RSVP office on or before the 10th of the following month. All reports received after the 10th of the month will be held over until the next month.

When volunteers report monthly expenses of less than \$2.00, we will record the expense and hold the reimbursement until the amount totals \$2.00 or more. At the end of each quarter, all checks will be written regardless of amount. Volunteers will receive expense checks near the end of the following month.

RECOGNITION POLICY

All RSVP volunteers must be actively enrolled in the program 3 months prior to the recognition event in order to receive an invitation.

PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW LOCATION

RSVP  
334 East Broadway  
Louisville, KY 40202  
Please use our mailing address for all correspondence:  
P. O. Box 4488  
Louisville, KY 40204-4488



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UNITED WAY NEWSLETTER FEATURES RSVP MEMBERS

Because RSVP is a service of Metro United Way, all of its members are counted among the 22,000 citizens who are United Way volunteers. Recent issues of the METRO MEMO, United Way's newsletter, have spot-lighted 4 RSVP members.

January's edition featured Douglas Fowler who volunteers at American Red Cross blood centers, at bloodmobiles and in transporting blood to area hospitals. Fowler gives 20 to 24 hours each week to this important volunteer service.

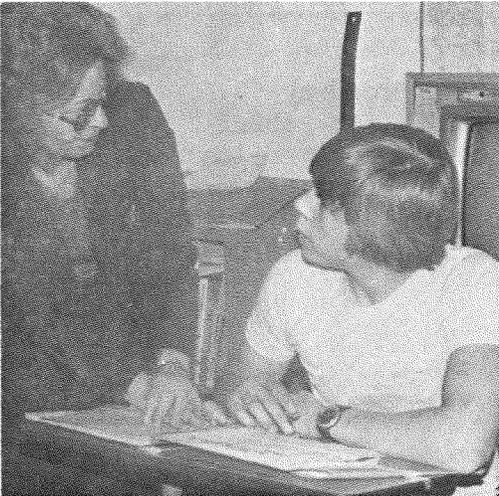
The METRO MEMO for February highlights the service of Christina Evers, coordinator of volunteers at St. Joseph Home for Children; Clyde Lee who delivers meals to shut-ins and is also a Laubach tutor; and Ida Hacker, coordinator of the Blairwood "Skinny Book" program for the Jefferson County Public Schools. The one trait which these remarkable volunteers share is: "Dedication". Their interests and service truly reflect the fulfillment which retirement can bring.

## WINTER GROUP HOME PROVIDES CHALLENGE FOR VOLUNTEERS

Kentucky has closed its institutions for young people. So, where do those who have been picked up for truancy, vagrancy or running away from home go? These youth, ages 12 to 17, are now assigned to an Orientation Group Home for 30 days by Juvenile Court. After that they are placed in a Group Home which best suits their needs.

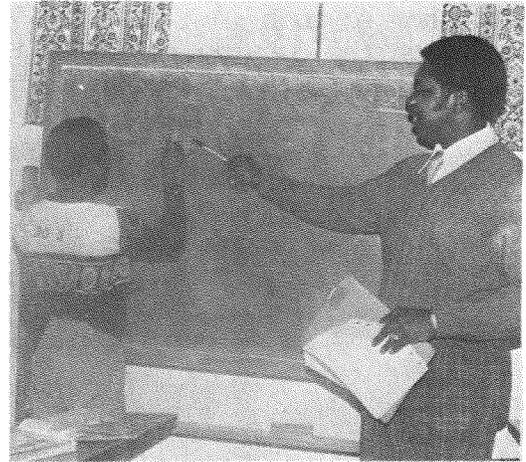
At Winter Orientation Group Home, each young person is taught about group living - teachers, social workers, psychologists, as well as by volunteers.

Volunteers play an important part in demonstrating "life skills". Do you remember the first time you went to a laundromat to do your own laundry? What about the first time you had to shop for groceries for a week? How did you learn to balance a check book, or open a bank account?



All these "life skills" are needed by the youth in group homes, and volunteers can show how to acquire them.

Many young people have never heard the word budget before, and it is a wonder to see them try to stretch an imaginary paycheck to cover rent, food and clothing. At Winter Home you might see a volunteer with a group of boys reading the classified ads to find an apartment or a room to rent. Many retirees living on limited incomes have much



knowledge to share with young persons who are learning to stretch a similar kind of limited budget.

Volunteers also help youth with learning how to apply for a job; how to behave in an interview; the difference in gross and net pay; what labor unions are and what their contracts mean...etc. The list is endless because most of these young people have had little guidance at home.

Some volunteers use their "life skills" to teach vocational training classes, while still others are involved with recreational activities. In addition, volunteers often are used in the aftercare program which follows a young person for at least six months after being released from the group home.

It has been said that working with groups of children can be rewarding and fun and also frustrating and sad, but very rarely dull. For volunteers who truly want to be challenged, Winter Group Home is the place to be.

by Mary Ann Bowling  
RSVP Field Coordinator

Pictured at left and above are two of the Jefferson County Public School teachers with students at Winter Group Home.

H A P P E N I N G S

Metro Parks Senior Division has scheduled three gala events for Spring. Each will be held at Highlands American Legion Post from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Advance reservations are required. Please call 968-6084.

St. Patrick's Party      March 16th  
Easter Bonnet Parade    April 6th  
Spring Fling              May 18th

In addition, you sports fans can get ready for the following:

TENNIS CLINIC - April 22, 29, May 6, 13, and 20. Village Tennis Center.

BOWLING TOURNEY - May 9 Parkmoor Lanes.

GOLF CLINIC - May 13, 20, and 27 at Seneca Park.

To participate in any of these please call 968-6084.

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The Jefferson County Division for Aging announces its garden project will begin in April. Plots at Ormsby Village are \$2.00 and include a variety of seeds, pepper plants and a tomato plant. Former gardeners will be accommodated first. To register please call 581-6100.

Senior boat rides aboard the Belle of Louisville are planned for June and July. Dates and times will be announced later.

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Derby Dinner Playhouse will offer "FIDDLER ON THE ROOF" March 8 through April 17.

Special Wednesday matinees are \$6.00 for the show only. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. - Showtime is 12:30 p.m.

Senior Matinees on Sundays are \$9.00. Doors open at 11:00 a.m., the Buffet is served at 11:30 a.m., and Showtime is 12:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars now for an important event we don't want you to miss. RSVP Volunteer Recognition is planned for June 22, 1983 at the Galt House. We will send you details later.

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Kentuckiana Literacy Council is planning to recognize all volunteers who have taken the Laubach Training on April 17 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at St. Augustine center. We hope all RSVP Laubach and ESL volunteers will come, especially those who have been tutors.

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Metro United Way's Annual Meeting is scheduled for April 14 at the Galt House. Awards will be presented to business, industry, labor and individuals whose contributions made the 1982 Campaign a success. William Aramony, United Way of America will be the guest speaker.

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Louisville Convention and Visitors Bureau publishes two brochures your senior group will find useful in planning outings this Spring.

The Louisville Guide lists local sites of interest from historic homes to horse farms. Twenty-eight of these are free while eight others have a nominal fee or special senior rate. All thirteen horse farms are free.

Louisville Events lists happenings around town from concerts and special shows to sports events and parades. It is published twice a year and the next issue is due the end of March.

You may obtain both brochures from the Visitors Bureau in Founders Square, 5th and Muhammad Ali Boulevard.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY RSVP VOLUNTEERS!

JANUARY

Frances Arehart  
Bertha Austin  
Blanche Ayres  
Virginia Bancroft  
Brother John Beary  
Naomi Birchler  
Cornelia Boone  
Josephine Brentzel  
Alice Brock  
Mary Brown  
Alene Bryant  
Ellen Campbell  
Claude Clayton  
Sarah Collins  
Mary Catherine Cook  
Celeste Cope  
Elizabeth Davis  
Ralph Davis  
Ruth Dodd  
G. A. Egan  
Georgia Farris  
Flossie Ferguson  
Helen Fritz  
William Frye  
Irving Gerstein  
Minnie Gibbs  
Rosa Givens  
Minnie Graham  
Louise Grizzard  
Margaret Grote  
Ida Hacker  
Mary Hartung  
Alvan Hickerson  
Martha Hickerson  
Mary Rita Hofelich  
Michael Holtzman  
Charles Hosea  
Almetta Jackson  
Helen Jenne  
Charles Johnson  
Susanna Kellar  
Fannie Keyes  
Mary Koertner  
Frances Larson  
Clyde Lee  
Sister Mary Eleanora  
Mary Lukes  
Edna Milligan  
Lucille Million  
A. W. Mitchell

JANUARY

Edmund Mount  
Hattie McElroy  
Louise Neumayer  
Eleanor Nieder  
Mary O'Brien  
Florence Ochsner  
Elizabeth Parke  
Jeanetta Paulin  
Maysel Pinnick  
Roslyn Preston  
Charles Price  
Fern Rachford  
Susie Rickett  
Bertha Ritman  
Arthur Sacheck  
Abbie Schubert  
Ethel Scott  
Rena Sheffer  
Bertha Smith  
Ina Starnes  
Bertha Talton  
John Tapscott  
Bessie Taylor  
Katherine Theobald  
J. B. Thomasson  
Louise Troxell  
Maeola Walker  
Ruth Watson  
Viola Watson  
Theresa Wentzell  
George Wine  
John Wiseman  
Johnnie Wood  
Izzie Yancey  
Millie Young

FEBRUARY

Susanna Aebi  
Lavinia Allgaier  
Marcella Amshoff  
Willa Mae Bailey  
Edith Barker  
Mabel Barnett  
Catherine Beierlein  
Mary Bettag  
Frances Bishop  
W. F. Buckrop  
Fay Campbell

FEBRUARY

Ann Carney  
Rowland Cary  
Delsie Chesser  
Carl Christian  
Raymond Clarke  
Mary Jane Clayton  
Eunice Day  
Bertha Dewhirst  
Claudia Dickerson  
Roy Diemer  
Elizabeth Egbert  
Sylvia Eichhorn  
Virginia Elzy  
Edna Evans  
Anna Evola  
Mayme Gernert  
Sara Gerstein  
Viola Givan  
George Graham  
Ollie Mae Graves  
Opal Gray  
Tillie Hardy  
Sister Helen Lucille  
Florence Hockersmith  
Ethel Holsclaw  
Ethel Holtzman  
Alberta Howser  
Christine Hubbard  
Alice Hull  
Edgar Jutt  
Antoinette Krebs  
Walter Kupchik  
Richard Lane  
Martha Lenahan  
Bernard Lewis  
Emma Lichtefeld  
Sister Mary Rita  
Annie Medley  
Emma Mehling  
Margaret Merriweather  
Raymond Mirka  
Harold Mitchell  
Thelma Motley  
Daniel Mueller  
Louise McGilvary  
James McKenzie  
Ethel McKnight  
Jeanette Ovington  
Lola Patrick  
David Powell

HAPPY BIRTHDAY RSVP VOLUNTEERS continued

FEBRUARY

Lucy Powell  
Natalian Dolly Richie  
Mary Richter  
Kennett Robinson  
Matilda Roederer  
Sister Rosalia  
June Saizan  
Martha Schroering  
Edith Sheeley  
Winnie Sherrill  
Eda Shields  
Anna Stephenson  
Matilda Sullivan  
Elizabeth Taylor  
Emma Vandever  
Jessie Walker  
Joseph Wathen  
Grover Williams  
Imelda Yuhr  
Loretta Zax  
Mary Zoeller

MARCH

Louise Angermeier  
Susie Arnold  
Dorothy Badgett  
Olivia Baldwin  
Marie Becker  
Annie Bibbs  
Norman Blieden  
Mary Branch  
Mary Bullitt  
Josephine Burrus  
Bertie Butler  
Georgette Cahill  
Dolly Clark  
Carl Clutinger  
Nell Coakley  
Anna Codey  
Ollie Cole  
Hildegard Costello  
Eula Duff  
Mary Durham  
Grace Edds  
Norma Elliott  
Christina Evers  
Elizabeth Ewing

MARCH

Fannie Flood  
Rose Gerstle  
Laura Goodman  
Bertha Griffith  
Irene Hardesty  
Mary Harris  
Everett Hendershott  
Lela Hines  
Eleanor Hoover  
Elizabeth Hopson  
Anna Johnson  
Anna Belle Johnson  
Pauline Jones  
Vatrics Keown  
Christina Kern  
Alice King  
Alice Kopp  
Lillian Lee  
Anna Lewis  
J. C. Lewis  
John Lindemeyer  
Gladys Maier  
Beulah Metten  
Ann Mildred Miller  
Llewellyn Mills  
Marion Minogue  
Nellie Morsey  
Inda Mae Moss  
Clara McDonald  
Emmie Norris  
Anne-Marie O'Connell  
Willie Oyler  
Lillian Pearson  
Elizabeth Phelps  
Mattie Price  
Florence Robinson  
Margaret Schooler  
Edna Scott  
Lillie Shanks  
Rupert Smith  
Mary Snow  
Ethel Spalding  
Agnes Stevenson  
Mary Stoecker  
Mary Wacyky  
Francis Warden  
Mary White  
Pauline Wiedmar  
Kate Wilkinson

MARCH

Ruth Willis  
Frankie Wilson  
Margaret Wilson  
Frances Woods

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RSVP WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Frances Arehart  
Milton Boaz  
Dorothy Bowman  
Arthur Busch  
Dorothy Busch  
Sister Clementine  
Thelma Curtis  
Minnie Eastridge  
Mary Flamion  
Kathryn Houts  
Emma Lichtefeld  
Helen Snyder  
Veronica Vezolles  
Alene Weber

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HEARTFELT "THANKS"

RSVP staff truly appreciates the enthusiastic response of its Advisory Council members in honoring our 10-year volunteers. Without their interest and assistance, it would not have been such a lovely celebration!

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