

# RSVP Action Line

VOL. 10 NO. 1 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - SPRING, 1988

## PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER IS REASSIGNED TO SWAZILAND

Last summer we introduced you to Thad Howard, RSVP volunteer who, at age 70, had joined the Peace Corps for a two-year term of service in Africa.

Howard was assigned to Benin, a former French possession and now a Marxist-Communist nation, where he was trained to install and maintain sanitary water systems in the northern bush villages where the natives speak 47 different languages. He also received 290 hours of instruction in the official French Language.

What Howard didn't know was that he would have to learn to ride a motorcycle since there are no roads through the bush to the villages and that he would have only native foods to eat. Alas, the motorcycle won the contest injuring Howard in four spills as he tried to master it. In addition, he acquired a low-grade fever (although he took his malaria, typhoid, dysentery, rabies, and other drugs each day) which along with the native food resulted in a

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loss of 35 pounds. But the biggest hurdle he faced was the belief of the Beninese that, because he was older than any other Peace Corps volunteer, he surely was an agent of the CIA!

After a brief respite in Louisville, the Peace Corps has reassigned him to the country of Swaziland in Southeast Africa. A former British protectorate bordered by Mozambique and South Africa, it needs Peace Corps volunteers to teach its people modern construction and carpentry skills. Howard will undertake some special training before reporting to his new post, Mbabane, Swaziland.

In spite of the troubles he faced in Benin, it was evident during our interview that Thad Howard treasures the opportunity offered by the Peace Corps to assist Third World nations - that he finds great satisfaction in getting to know the people and cultures which differ so much from America...in rural Benin there were no jails, no police. Any problems were dealt with by the family.

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## RSVP Annual Recognition

We had hoped to salute RSVP volunteers at our annual Recognition Luncheon during Older Americans Month in May. However, the earliest date we could reserve the Grand Ballroom at the Galt House East is June 4, 1988. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us there. Invitations will be mailed to all active volunteers around the middle of May.

## Metro Area Salutes Volunteers

National Volunteer Week is April 17 to April 23, and RSVP projects across the country will be celebrating the contributions RSVP volunteers give. In Louisville, RSVP will join other agencies in honoring all volunteers on April 21 from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Water Tower, River Road/Zorn Avenue. There will be a tethered hot air balloon, food booths, and speakers. You are cordially invited to join this celebration, but please let us know if you are planning to come. Transportation is on your own.



# HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

## Calling Retirees to a New Life of Community Service

### VERY SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

More and more persons over 60 are finding satisfaction in their retirement years through their volunteer service to agencies and organizations which address the needs of the poor, the disabled, the elderly, the illiterates, and those less fortunate citizens of the community. Call RSVP to see where you fit in — 583-2821.

Christian Church Campus consists of three facilities: Chapel House, Friendship House, and Christian Health Center where volunteers can fulfill a variety of needed services. Call us for details about these services.

Nursing Home Ombudsman Program needs volunteers to act as advocates for the rights of nursing home residents. If you now visit friends or family members in a nursing home, you can learn how to be an effective spokesman on their behalf.

Fairdale Area Community Ministry has the greatest need one weekend every three months for volunteers in its Commodities Distribution program; volunteers are also needed one Friday each month for Supplemental Commodity Distribution assistance.

Catholic Charities/Social Ministries needs volunteers to advise persons about obtaining assistance with rent, food, clothing, utilities and medical needs etc. and volunteers to be teacher aides in Catholic Schools in the west area - tutoring, grading papers, etc.

Louisville Zoological Society. Volunteers who love animals are needed in several areas from helping with small animal care to gift shop assistant, staffing main entrance booth, or acting as docents. The latter requires special training each fall to make educational/school presentations, and provide outreach programs to senior citizens, nursing homes, etc.

Bridgehaven is a United Way agency serving persons who have had emotional problems and are getting back into the mainstream of life. Its needs reading tutors on Friday mornings, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. for a small group of adults who are at various levels of reading skills.

The Family Place needs child-care aides (birth to 6 years) to assist with its child-care program while parents are receiving counseling for child abuse and or neglect. Volunteers must be understanding of the fact that these little ones have not had normal early-childhood care and love.

Home of the Innocents has a need for volunteers 2-3 hours a week to sort clothing for children into useable items. They also can use volunteers to assist with the care of neglected and abused children; and clerical assistants to help with filing and some light typing would be welcomed.

## A Pot Pourri of Happenings/News

April 19 is Metro United Way's Annual Meeting in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House East where volunteers from business, industry, labor, government and social agencies will be honored for their contributions to the 1987 campaign. New officers and board members of United Way will be elected by the public. This year's Annual Report includes pictures of the three RSVP Bell Award recipients - Minnie Allen, Doug Fowler, and Eloise Terry.

While RSVP is very proud of the recognition these outstanding volunteers have received, we wish we could arrange awards for each of you who have given hours of volunteer service month after month, year after year!

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### "Partners in Pride" to Celebrate

Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Basic Education Program plans a "Partners in Pride" celebration on April 23 at the Gheens Professional Development Academy. The event from 10:00 a.m. to noon will feature Dr. Donald W. Ingwerson, Superintendent of JCPS as keynote speaker.

The celebration will especially honor volunteer tutors at the Adult Basic Reading and GED centers as well as representatives from business, industry, labor, government, and other organizations including RSVP.

With growing support of "Partners in Pride" throughout the metro community, the literacy program in Jefferson County will continue to be one of the top programs in the nation.

RSVP salutes its members who are a vital part of this very needed service, as well as our elementary and after-school tutors who are helping youngsters grow up literate. (Please see RSVP Volunteers-In-Action for the story of literacy tutor, Mary McManus).

The RSVP Advisory Council's quarterly meeting is April 20 where new members will be elected to a three-year term of office. Present council members whose terms have expired or who have resigned are: Charles Baker, Beulah Cowherd, John Crimmins, Helen Givens, Cindy Highfield, Richard Miller, and Paul Wilkinson. RSVP truly appreciates the contributions these persons have given towards the success of the program. We will welcome newly elected members who begin their term of office in July. The ACTION LINE for summer 1988 will introduce them to you.

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The Advisory Council and Staff wish to extend a big THANK YOU to Site Directors and Volunteer Coordinators for their courtesy in welcoming us to their sites and for their keeping records of volunteer hours, and reporting them to us.

The Council wants to get acquainted with RSVP volunteers, to see the kinds of service they provide, and to meet those faithful site directors/volunteer coordinators. If we haven't visited your site yet, it's because there are 130 RSVP sites, and council members are able to visit only four sites each quarter.

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Jack Hirschfield, RSVP volunteer at Veterans Medical Center and RSVP Council member, has chaired the RSVP Speakers Bureau this year. Several presentations about RSVP have been made to AARP chapters, National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) groups, and Senior Clubs. Hirschfield who was an Attorney for the Veterans Regional Administration has been most helpful to staff, and we appreciate his interest and concern in letting the community know about RSVP.

# RSVP Volunteers in Action....Mee



Juanita Elkins counsels by phone while Thelma Will advises a client at H.E.L.P. agency which serves the disadvantaged persons in Old Louisville, as well as street people who wander through the area. It is supported by a coalition of inner-city churches and manned by a corps of volunteers who know where to send people who need assistance with rent and utility bills or food, clothing and other daily needs.

Both of these RSVP volunteers represent Fourth Avenue Methodist Church, but other volunteers come from all areas of the county and Southern Indiana. Mrs. Will tells us that it can be distressing at times to see a mother with no milk, no food, no diapers for her four little ones, but she adds that it's a great feeling when they see others who have broken the cycle of poverty and are making it on their own! We applaud the RSVP members at H.E.L.P. who are making a difference in the lives of others.

Alean Uselton shows the Humanitarian Award she recently received from the National Conference of Christians and Jews. To name all of the contributions she has made to the citizens of Portland and to Senior House West would take several pages. After a career at Brown & Williamson Corporation, Mrs. Uselton joined the Portland Area Council and in 1971 was elected president of Senior House West where she keeps getting re-elected president. She is a member of its Melody Makers (a "kitchen band") which has brought much joy to residents of nursing homes, senior centers, church groups, etc.

Mrs. Uselton could be named the "Poet Laureate of Portland" for the many poems she has had published in the Portland Anchor, including her poem about what it means to be a volunteer. In 1973, she became a charter member of RSVP and has volunteered for the Community Action Agency and the Jefferson County Council on Aging. At the age of 83, Alean Uselton leaves soon for a vacation in Australia. RSVP wishes her "Bon Voyage" and hopes she'll write a poem about the koala bears and kangaroos, and whatever else she sees in the land "down under."



# Challenges - Receive Awards



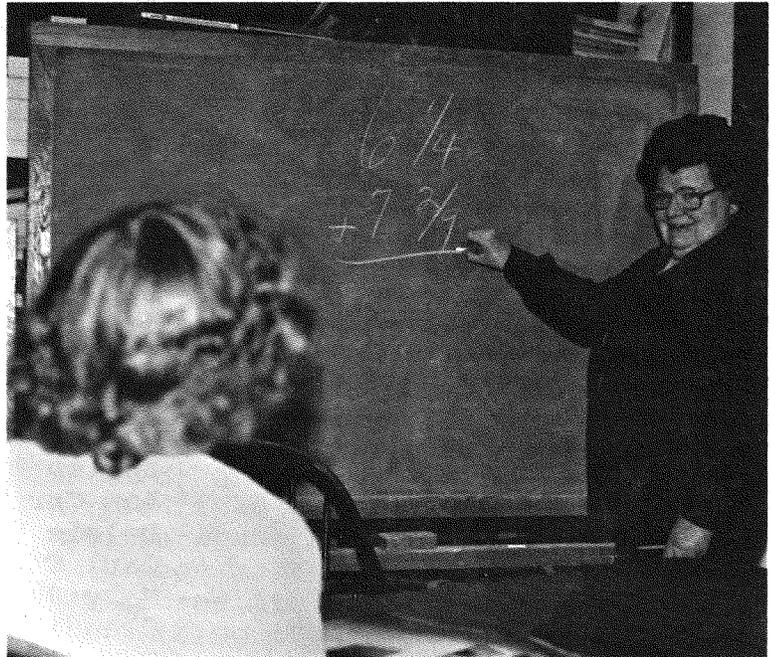
When Charles Gagel retired as a design engineer, he never dreamed his retirement years would be so people oriented. A volunteer for JADAC (Jefferson Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center) he is assigned to Arraignment Court where he counsels persons arrested for drunk driving. Judges may give people the option of completing the JADAC program resulting in dismissal of their convictions, or of being convicted as charged. With those who choose JADAC and complete the program, Gagel appears in court and sees that their convictions are erased from their records.

Last year JADAC awarded him a scholarship to the Kentucky Drug and Alcohol Studies at Northern Kentucky University and named him their Outstanding Volunteer of the Year. When his wife, Marian reached sixty and retired, Gagel's enthusiasm for his volunteer service at JADAC helped her decide to volunteer there too. She serves as a receptionist and helps keep medical records of those in the program. We're sorry not to have her picture too, but we thank Mr. and Mrs. Gagel for meeting the challenge at JADAC!

Mary McManus, a native of Boston, MA ended a 30 year career with the Navy in Louisville and decided it was where she would spend her retirement years.

After learning how to teach adults to read and write at the Jefferson County Public Schools Tutor Training Seminars, she offered to undertake tutoring the inmates incarcerated at the Community Corrections Center. None have committed felonies, and most are between 18 and 25 years old. Ms. McManus has found that those who choose to improve their reading and math skills are anxious to turn their lives around. Four of her students have advanced to the GED level and have taken the tests that will give them their High School Equivalency Diplomas.

Some of the satisfaction that Mary McManus receives from her volunteer service is the counseling and advice which her students seek as they work towards a new set of goals. RSVP is happy that she chose to make a difference in Louisville, Kentucky!



# Happy Birthday Volunteers!

## January

Irene Antill  
Frances Arehart  
Sr. Thomas M. Augermeier  
Bertha Austin  
Blanche Ayres  
Mildred Barker  
Helen Batts  
Bro. John Beary  
Sara Bond  
Cornelia Boone  
Alice Brock  
Barbara Brooks  
Ellen Campbell  
Ernestine Cassidy  
Maggie Chaney  
Sr. Frances B. Clark  
Mary Catherine Cook  
Celeste Cope  
Martha Crain  
Edna Crenshaw  
Donald Dissly  
Ruth Dodd  
Georgia Farris  
Flossie Ferguson  
Willie Fitzpatrick  
William Frye  
Bessie Geary  
Rosa Lee Givens  
Georgetta Goffner  
Sallie Gosline  
Nina Gottbrath  
Jennie Grace  
Minnie Graham  
Louise Grizzard  
Janie Harris  
Minnie Henry  
Fay Hiatt  
Alvan Hickerson, Jr.  
Martha Hickerson  
Delberta Hilton  
Gabrielle Hoffman  
Ellis Jackson  
Laura Jackson  
Helen Jenne  
Charles Johnson  
William Johnston  
Lucile Leggett  
Thera Love  
Ruth Lowe  
Mary Lukes

Martha Lukins  
Mary McCauley  
Hattie McElroy  
Louise Malone  
Evelyn Martin  
Christina Merimee  
Lucille Million  
Catherine Moorman  
Edmund Mount  
William Murdock  
Ann Nix  
Mary O'Brien  
Florence Ochsner  
Jeanetta Paulin  
Edward Powell  
Charles Price  
Susie Mae Rickett  
Thurman Royalty  
Abbie Schubert  
Frances Silliman  
Florence Simmons  
Christine Southers  
Leslie Stokes  
Bertha Talton  
Katherine Theobald  
Julian Thomas  
Louise Troxell  
Charles Wall  
Viola Watson  
Theresa Wentzell  
Mildred Young

## February

Lavinia Allgaier  
Marcella Amshoff  
Willa Mae Bailey  
Ted Beckmann  
Catherine Beierlein  
Mary Agnes Bettag  
I. L. Brisendine, Jr.  
Julia Burres  
Philip Butters  
Ann Carney  
Delsie Chesser  
Carl Christian  
Mary Jane Clayton  
Claudia Dickerson  
Roy Diemer

Willadean Dwire  
Elizabeth Egbert  
Sylvia Eichhorn  
Cliffie Elliott  
Virginia Elzy  
Velma Embry  
Velma Endsley  
Edna Evans  
Ruth Ezell  
Marie Farmer  
Viola French  
Harold Friedly, Sr.  
Erika Fruchtenicht  
Gertrude Gay  
Mayme Gernert  
Ollie Mae Graves  
Opal Gray  
Martha Harper  
Mary Herriford  
Sr. Anna M. Hession  
Geneva Hicks  
Florence Hockersmith  
Mary Huffman  
Annie Hughes  
Alice Hull  
Roy Hutchison  
Novella Jones  
Richard Kays  
Antoinette Krebs  
Walter Kupchik  
Carolyn D. Lane  
Richard Lane  
Martha Lenahan  
Emma Lichtefeld  
Sr. Rosalia Link  
Robert Litman  
Babette Lobred  
Louise McGilvary  
James McKenzie  
Ethel McKnight  
Ruth Malone  
Annie M. Medley  
Margaret Merriweather  
Raymond Mirka  
Harold Mitchell  
Thelma Motley  
Juanita Nalley  
Madison Neblett  
Philip O'Daniel  
Lavinia Osborne

## *More Happy Birthdays ...*

Mable Pellman  
Myrtle Phillips  
Mary Pontrich  
Mary Raible  
Elizabeth Rehm  
Mary Richter  
Mary Richwalsky  
Kennett Robinson  
Matilda Roederer  
Helen Roehrig  
June Saizan  
Selma Schwartz  
Edith Sheeley  
Winnie Sherrill  
Clara Shrader  
Lee Dennison Smith  
Lorraine Stumph  
Matilda Sullivan  
Elizabeth Taylor  
William Viscusi  
Jessie Walker  
Joseph Wathen  
Fred Weber  
Alice Wicks  
Sr. James A. Wiggins  
Denis Wiseman  
Imelda Yuhr  
Loretta Zax  
Lois Zimbrick  
Juanita Zuberer

### March

Susie Arnold  
Dorothy Badget  
Olivia Baldwin

Marie Becher  
Annie B. Bibbs  
Norman Blieden  
Mary C. Breckinridge  
Mae Belle Bullitt  
William Burge  
Georgette Cahill  
Lillian Clements  
Carl Clutinger  
Nell Coakley  
Anna Codey  
Ollie Cole  
Hildegard Costello  
Emma Davis  
Eula Duff  
Grace Edds  
Elizabeth Ewing  
Isabel Fain  
John Feldman  
Mary Forcht  
Rose Gerstle  
Laura Goodman  
Antonio Guthrie  
Mattie B. Hall  
Irene Hardesty  
Merle Hardin  
Katherine Harper  
Mary Harris  
Marie Horrell  
Sr. Clarentia Hutchins  
Anna Jackson  
Anna Johnson  
Margaret Jones  
Lois Joseph  
Robert Keller  
Sara Kemper  
Vatrics Keown

Christine Kern  
Alice King  
Morris Kling  
Margaret Lasley  
Lillian Lee  
Anna Lewis  
John Lindemeyer  
Sherman Lucas  
Clara McDonald  
Gladys McMickle  
Gladys Maier  
Llewellyn Mills  
Nellie Morsey  
Mary Morton  
Helen O'Bryan  
Marcella Orrill  
Florence Powers  
Robert Prante  
Elvira Reid  
Mayme Ridings  
Edna Scott  
Helen Spencer  
Mary Thompson  
Jack Underwood  
Mary Wacyky  
Geneva Warren  
Pauline Weis  
Mary White  
Pauline Wiedmar  
Kate Wilkinson  
Jean Will  
Madeline Williamson  
Ruth Willis  
Margaret Wilson  
Robert Wolf  
Frances Woods  
Herman Zuberer

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### RSVP WELCOMES NEW AND REINSTATED VOLUNTEERS

Dewey Bailey  
Thomas Beam  
James Bidwell  
Viola Blevins  
Elwood Cheatham  
William Chester, Jr.  
Hazel Conklin  
Hildegard Costello (R)  
Walter Crady  
Mary Curry  
Bessie Devore  
Willadean Dwire (R)  
Edna Evans (R)  
Margaret Ferguson

Bernice French  
Harold Friedly  
Anna Griffin  
Ersula Hayes  
John Hettinger  
Florence Huffman  
Margaret Jones  
Christine Kandler (R)  
Lorena LaFollette (R)  
Everett McClanahan  
Mary McCulloch  
Fannie Marsee  
Evelyn Martin  
Carl Metz

Charles Niehoff  
Juanita Nalley  
John Oechsle  
Lucille Offutt (R)  
Helen Simon  
Lee D. Smith  
A. G. Spizzirri  
Lorraine Stumph  
Thomas Tkac  
Anna Walker  
Geneva Warren  
Maxine Weinberger  
Callie Willis (R)



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### Metro Parks Plans Spring Events For Seniors

April 22	Golf Tournament
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May 6	
9	Bowling Tournament
18	Dance sponsored by Kentucky Harland Sanders Geriatric Program

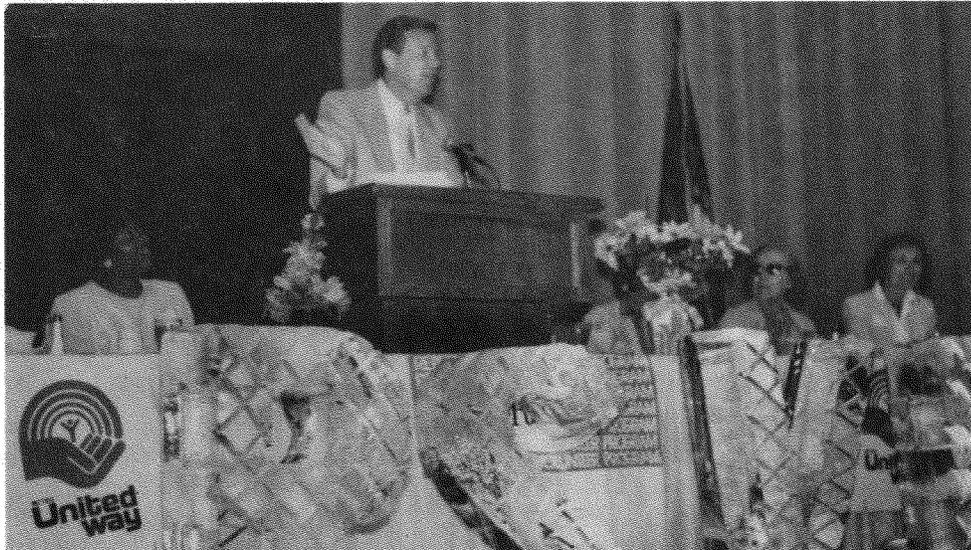
Call 968-6084 to make reservations for all of these fun events.

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DHS Nutrition Program has opened a new site - Okolona/Wilderness Road Center, 8113 Blue Lick Road which will serve hot meals from 10:00 - 2:00 weekdays. The phone number for reservations is 964-5151.

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Don Schroeder praises RSVP volunteers.

## RSVP Luncheon Honors Long-term Volunteers

The weather couldn't have been nicer and over 700 volunteers and guests couldn't have looked "lovelier" on June 4 when RSVP celebrated its anniversary at a luncheon in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House East.

John Crimmins, former Vice-Chair of RSVP presented 27 members with brass key rings signifying their 15 years of service to this community. Also honored were 31 ten-year and 78 five-year RSVP volunteers. The theme of the event "You Are the KEY to Our Success" connoted the importance of these faithful volunteers to the mission of RSVP - to place retirees in meaningful volunteer services to the community.

Mary Beth Doheny, retiring Chair of the Advisory Council was presented a plaque and a dozen roses for her leadership and generous support of RSVP. Beulah Cowherd and Helen Givens whose council term expires received awards for helping plan the last six recognition luncheons.

Keynote speaker Don Schroeder, WAVE-TV News Anchor, recognized RSVP volunteers' contributions to non-profit organizations in Jefferson County, especially acknowledging the literacy tutors and those who help feed and clothe disadvantaged persons. Schroeder proved as popular a dance partner as he is Newscaster, when volunteers vied with each other for a twirl with him as lively music was played.

The Jazz/Blues music for listening and dancing was provided by the "Derby City Dixie Dudes" under the direction of Herby Hale. Throughout the affair names were drawn for door prizes donated by businesses which are listed on the back page and which we ask you to patronize, expressing RSVP's appreciation for their gifts.

Photos this issue courtesy Mary Sullivan.



# HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

## Calling Retirees to a New Life of Community Service

**VERY SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

If we listed all the service agencies and non-profit organizations which need volunteers, it would fill a whole issue of this newsletter. Listed below are some new requests for RSVP volunteers. Please let your friends and neighbors know how much their talents and skills are needed and ask them to call RSVP at 583-2821 to get started.

Crisis & Information Center - a 24-hour emergency, information and referral service of Seven Counties Services needs volunteer counselors to be trained in crisis intervention, listening skills, and community resources. An 8-week training series will be provided for this very vital service in the latter part of August.

The Dream Factory - dedicated to granting the dreams of critically and seriously ill children needs office assistance beginning mid-August for Mondays and Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Kentucky Association of Non-Profit Homes & Services for the Aging, Inc. (KAHA) has a need for volunteers to assist with telephone messages, assembling bulk mailings, and general office services.

Project English - a service of Catholic Charities is back home in re-modeled, refurbished classrooms at Central Presbyterian Church. Volunteers are especially needed now to teach foreign-born persons to read and write in English.

Hospice of Louisville has two areas where volunteers can be a part of the Hospice team which serves terminally patients and their families. Training is offered for Patient Care, or for Bereavement Care volunteers one evening a week for 6 weeks from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Call us for the dates when training will be offered this fall.

Humana Hospital University needs two or three volunteers who really like to file in several of its departments - Credit & Collections, the Laboratory, Medical Records, and Radiology. Skills needed are attention to details and knowledge of the alphabet.

Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Reading Program will begin its Tutor Training in August. Volunteers learn the Laubach method for teaching non-readers to read and write. The first of several two-day sessions is scheduled for August 10 & 17 at the Gheens Center 4425 Preston Highway (formerly the Durrett High School Campus) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Other sessions will be in September, October and November. Call RSVP to get registered.

## Happenings - Here - There - Everywhere

Metro United Way's Campaign '88 will kickoff on September 1, with a colorful parade of donors, agencies, and recipients of services who will walk down 4th Avenue to the Belvedere. There, a "Scooper Bowl" (all the ice cream you can eat for a \$2.00 ticket) will be served to everyone attending the festive affair. Pacesetter companies will be honored and dignitaries will pledge support of the Campaign '88 goal. RSVP volunteers are most welcome to join the celebration from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

The annual Metro United Way 10K and 5K run will be at Churchill Downs on September 10. The event, co-sponsored by Metro Parks, is underwritten by Humana Foundation, Inc. Also included is a "walk" on the Downs track. Target Stores will again sponsor a "Kids Fun Run" and you're invited to this family affair to watch your children/grandchildren run or even to participate in the "Walk" yourselves.

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Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) Adult Reading Program honored volunteer tutors at an awards ceremony April 23, at Gheens Academy. RSVP was proud that its volunteers - Louise Grizzard, Minnie Allen, Sr. Mary Fedler, Niles Hadden, Helen Ritter, Margaret Kinsinger, Loretta Niebauer, Norman Horner, and Philip Butters received special recognition for their years of service to the Adult Reading Program and for the hours they have devoted to tutoring in basic reading and GED classes. Dr. Donald W. Ingwerson, Superintendent of Schools, was the keynote speaker who praised the volunteers for their invaluable aid to the literacy programs and who described new approaches and goals within the public schools to

see that every child learns to read and write and that dropouts are diminished.

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Jefferson County Department of Human Services (DHS) is now the agency to call to apply for HomeCare Services for the frail elderly who face moving to a nursing home. The services include Personal Care/Homemaking/Chore/Respite Care and are provided on a sliding scale basis according to income. If approved by DHS, these services will be available through Senior Citizens East, Senior House, Senior Citizens Enterprise, South Louisville Ministries or the Visiting Nurse Association. Call DHS 625-6702 to apply for this aid.

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TELECARE agency where many RSVP Volunteers call elderly and disabled shut-ins every day is asking for the names of others who may benefit from its services. If you know persons who are home-bound and alone and who might like a daily call to see that they are all right - to let them know someone cares, please submit their names to TELE CARE at 582-2541.

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HOME BUILDERS INSTITUTE offers new career opportunities in their Building and Apartment Maintenance Program for persons 55 and over. A free 8-week course in plumbing, heating/ventilation/air conditioning, drywall repair, appliance repair, electrical wiring and more will qualify persons for a job in this field. Home Builders also supplies tools, tool boxes, uniforms and shoes which trainees may keep after they have been placed on the job. Transportation assistance is also available for students. Please call Home Builders Institute if you are interested - 584-1178. The program is sponsored by the Private Industry Council, Job Training Program, and the City of Louisville.

## More Happenings

The Older Women's League (OWL) is a national non-profit advocacy organization which addresses the concerns of mid-life and older women such as: Social Security inequity, public and private pensions, health insurance coverage, support for care-givers, job discrimination and other issues.

You can join OWL's nation-wide membership for \$10 (\$5 for those on limited income). Local dues are the same and can be sent with your national dues to Frances McKiernan, Treas.  
2036 Sherwood Avenue  
Louisville, KY 40205

OWL in Louisville meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. for supper with a program following from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. There is a 14 member Board of Directors and officers are: Rose Colley, President and Delores Delahanty, Vice-President. You can help decide what issues are important to older women in Louisville by becoming a member. Men, too, are welcome!

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Kentucky Music Week will be August 1 through 5 sponsored by Bellarmine College in conjunction with Kentucky Music Weekend, Inc. Music Weekend #1 will be at Iroquois Amphitheater on July 29, 30 and 31 where there will be a Crafts Festival, as well as music concerts, dances etc. all free to the public. Weekend #2 is August 6 and is an Evening Concert which is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Monies raised go towards future festivals.

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Don't forget the Belle of Louisville cruises for seniors on July 18 and on October 5. Also watch your papers for another "Celebration of Your Autumn Years" in early Fall which the Office of Aging is planning for you.

## Welcome Council Members

Last issue of ACTION LINE, we promised to introduce you to the new RSVP Council members who attended their first council meeting on July 12 after their orientation on June 17.

They are William Barth, retired Personnel Director of Coca-Cola; Jane Ecker, Director of the city's program Operation Brightside; William Inlow, Executive Director of Senior House, Inc.; Edward Renfro, retired UAW representative; Henry Schulman, retired Vice-President Bank of Louisville; Joe Spalding, Program Manager DHS Senior Citizen Services; Debbe Sublett, representative Younger Woman's Club of Louisville; Fred Weber, retired research microbiologist Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc.

Joe Spalding former Advisory Council member whose term of office expired a year ago is returning to serve another 3-year term. We appreciate his interest and loyalty to RSVP.

Officers for 1988-1989 are Connie Quintavalle, Chair, and Louise Grizzard, Vice-Chair. Mrs. Quintavalle retired as Assistant Kentucky State Treasurer and is former President of Altrusa Club. She is active with Senior Citizens East and a member of the Kentuckiana Literacy Council. Mrs. Grizzard was formerly Director of Volunteers for the Cabinet of Human Resources and founder of the Kentuckiana Literacy Council. We welcome these outstanding new officers, as well as the eight new council members and look forward to a most successful year.

A Speakers Bureau composed of Advisory Council members is available to come speak to your senior club, church group, or neighborhood association. Call RSVP 583-2821 to arrange a date.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

ROMANO L. MAZZOLI  
THIRD DISTRICT  
KENTUCKY

June 24, 1988

Ms. Beulah Shain  
945 South 5th Street, #807  
Louisville, Kentucky 40203

Dear Ms. Shain:

I am writing to commend you for your many years of service to the Metro United Way Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and respect for your devotion to the Louisville community. Your selflessness and commitment are deserving of the highest praise and admiration.

I extend to you my warmest personal regards and best wishes for the future.

Sincerely,

ROMANO L. MAZZOLI  
Member of Congress

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Above is a copy of the letters which Congressman Ron Mazzoli sent to the RSVP volunteers who received awards for fifteen, ten and five years of volunteer service at the annual Recognition Luncheon, June 4.

We appreciate his interest in what you RSVP volunteers are doing and in recognizing how much you contribute to this community.

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In April we received 1,200 letters from President Reagan to each RSVP volunteer. These letters are enclosed with this newsletter so you can see how much you are appreciated!



Pictured left to right: Helen Givens, Mary Beth Doheny and Beulah Cowherd who received special awards at the Recognition Luncheon.

### Special Volunteers Honored

The twenty-seven RSVP volunteers who received brass key rings for 15 years of community service (from 1973 through 1987) are very special to us. Many are continuing to serve into their 16th year!

Those honored at the luncheon on June 4 are:

- Mary A. Bettag, Cecilia Brunner, Katherine Buck, Frances Bufkin, Georgette Cahill, Ellen Campbell, Flossie Ferguson, Merle Grove, Mildred Hardin, Irene Hoskinson, Mary Krahl, Emma Lydon, Mary Newcomer, Mary Olges, Jeanetta Paulin, Clara Pfaadt, Elizabeth Rheinlaender, June Saizan, Nellie Schwalk, Beulah Shain, Winnie Sherrill, Zara Siebe, Matilda Sullivan, Zella Switzer, Alean Uselton, Carolyn Zaepful, Loretta Zax.

These loyal volunteers range in age from 75 to over 90 years old. We applaud their dedication to serving their community and those less fortunate than themselves.

# Happy Birthday Volunteers!

## APRIL

Mamie Age  
Mellie Allen  
Minnie Allen  
Beatrice Anderson  
Richard Barker  
Virginia Blackburn  
Geraldine Bland  
Steve Borders  
Emma Brecker  
Edith Brisendine  
Virginia Brown  
Willis Bryant  
Myrtle Bush  
Margaret Carroll  
Elwood Cheatham  
Mary E. Clements  
Lillian Cloyd  
Rose Clutinger  
Marie Coll  
Ruby Deacon  
Beverly DeFabio  
Hedwig Diehl  
Elizabeth Eggleton  
Marie Everslage  
Carl French  
Rosamond Gibson  
Sr. Mary C. Greenwell  
Niles Hadden  
Charles Hagmann  
Myrtle Hasty  
M.M.M. Henkel  
John Herms  
Carrie Johnson  
Clyde Jones  
Dora Jones  
Ethel Jones  
Ida Mae Jones  
Mary Kirchner  
Corrine Knight  
John Kraft  
Lucy Lichtsteiner  
Helen Love  
Marie Lubbers  
Emma Lydon  
Everett McClanahan  
Nadine Paynter  
Irene Phillips  
Ruth Phillips  
Sallie Powell  
Tess Ramsey  
Margaret Redmon  
Mabel Salmon

Bess Saunders  
Joseph Schaefer  
Everlean Smith  
Olivia Sohm  
Betty Stone  
Zuda Story  
Carrie VanNatta  
Beatrice Walker  
Maxine Weinberger  
LaVerne Wilding  
Jennie Williams  
Verna Wright

## MAY

Annette Abrams  
Allen Alexander  
Harriet Asman  
Edna Bailey  
Mildred Bennett  
Laura Bishop  
Dorothy Bohannon  
Velma Booth  
Mary C. Brashear  
Mildred Bullard  
Mary Carpini  
William Converse  
Helen Crawford  
Henry Culver  
Louise Elder  
Esther Espy  
Sr. Robert A. Fleischman  
Mary Gaubert  
Helen Givens  
Lorraine Goldsmith  
Lucille Gordon  
Quinella Gray  
Sr. Patricia Greely  
Mamie Griffin  
Merle Grove  
Ellen Hamilton  
Lorraine Harrod  
Jack Hirschfield  
Raymond Hubbard  
Florence Huffman  
Pearline Ingram  
Cecilia P. Jones  
Norman Jones  
Corinne Kern  
Edna Koebel  
Vivian Kupchik  
Mary Lawson

Antoinette Leslie  
Elizabeth Lutz  
Laura McCain  
Pauline McGill  
Mary McKenzie  
Izetta Mahoney  
Elizabeth Mehling  
Carl Metz  
Emily Rose Mickey  
Mary H. Miles  
Pellie Murphy  
Julia Nannie

Eleanor Norrington  
Clara O'Bannon  
Betty Oerther  
Emily Overberg  
Pearline Paul  
Lillian Perrault  
Roberta Profumo  
Robley Rex  
Howard Richburg  
Jessie Robertson  
Doris Jean Ruccio  
Robert Samuels  
Elmer Sermersheim  
Isabelle Sherman  
Helen Simon  
Geraldine Smith  
Irvin Strauss  
Helen Thumas  
Frank White  
Margaret Wilhelmus  
Callie Willis  
Dorothy Wilson  
Justina Zinious

## JUNE

Eugene Arnold  
Dewey Bailey  
Genevieve Beavin  
Gertrude Blumenthal  
Edgar Bonham  
Marie Boyd  
Martha Burkhart  
Arthur Busch  
Sr. Mary C. Campbell  
Fannie Cassilly  
Lawrence Coleman  
Edward Connors  
Mary P. Cook  
Margaret Danner

## *More Happy Birthdays ...*

Everett Denney  
James Dettlinger  
Bessie Devore  
Dorothy Drury  
Catherine Duncan  
Louise Earle  
Marge Eisner  
Juanita Elkins  
Donald Elliott  
Mary Faller  
Ross Fidler  
Charles Fort  
Harriett Foster  
Douglas Fowler  
Mary Glenn  
Arthur Gohmann  
Pauline Golden  
Ruth Hardison  
Junetta Harshaw

Frances Heitz  
Virginia Helm  
Mary K. Hettich  
Jesse Hilton  
Dorothy Horrell  
Evelyn Howard  
Violet Kane  
Gladys M. Keene  
Evelyn Keller  
Margaret Kinsinger  
Bronislaus Krupski  
Harriett LaForrest  
Anthony Lucchese  
Clarise McCarter  
Johnetta McReynolds  
Harold Maier  
Fannie Markey  
Gladys E. Miller  
Bessie Minton

Ruby Mollyhorn  
Ina Morris  
Eugene Noe  
Frances Payne  
Marie Petrali  
Russell Rigdon  
Ethel Scheser  
Bobbye Smith  
Emma Smith  
Ida Straub  
Catherine Sullivan  
Ida Sullivan  
Mattie Mae Taylor  
Doris Thomas  
Lina Tower  
Jenny Wallace  
Lillian Watkins  
Dorothy White  
Caroline Zaepfel

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### R.S.V.P. WELCOMES NEW AND REINSTATED VOLUNTEERS

Sr. Naomi Aull  
Beatrice Anderson  
Harriet Asman  
Jinkie Brown  
Louise Brown  
Preston Boyd  
Leona Bryant  
Arthur Busch (R)  
Herman Bush  
Catherine Cambron  
Lula Carlisle  
Margaret Carroll  
William Converse  
Ethel Coomes  
Margaret Danner  
Nellie Denney

Ruth Ezell  
Elizabeth Hall  
John Harris  
Clarence Hash  
Marie Hash  
M.M.M. Henkel  
Addie Howard (R)  
Clyde Jones (R)  
Zella Jones (R)  
Anthony Kaelin (R)  
Harold King  
Ethel Kunzler  
Elmer Lammers  
Irene Lammers  
Edna Leavell  
Ira McCamish

Mary McCamish  
Louise McDaniel  
Joe McDowell, Jr.  
Elbert Needy  
Rachel Richards  
Betty Brown Rust  
Frances Ryan  
Marian Schwind  
Bobbye Smith  
Frank Smith  
Robert Steinmetz  
Ruth Steinmetz  
Ruby Wheeler  
Kenneth Wilding, Sr.  
LaVerne Wilding  
Dorothy Wilson

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OOPS! We goofed in the last issue of ACTION LINE. Our apologies to Margaret Huffman who was listed in the February Birthdays as Mary Huffman. Miss Huffman is a loyal volunteer for American Red Cross.

NOTE: If you enrolled in RSVP after June 20 your name will appear in our next issue since this list went to press on that date.



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| Arthur Murray Dance Studio   | Kingfish Restaurants               |
| Blue Boar Cafeterias         | Kroger's                           |
| Burger King                  | Louisville Zoological Gardens      |
| Day's Inn Downtown           | McDonald's Restaurant              |
| Derby Dinner Playhouse       | Museum of History and Science      |
| Druther's Restaurant         | Pepsi-Cola                         |
| Ehrler's Dairy               | Redbirds                           |
| Executive Bowl               | Ryan's Family Steakhouse           |
| Executive West               | Shoney's Fifth Quarter Steak House |
| Galt House East              | Swiss Cleaners                     |
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| Kentucky Center for the Arts | Wendy's                            |
| Yellow Cab Company           |                                    |

The generous donations from these companies were greatly appreciated by those lucky volunteers whose names were drawn at the Luncheon.



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 30, 1988

Dear Senior Volunteer:

As Nancy and I look back on our years in Washington, we can say that one of our most positive and heart-warming experiences has been our involvement with ACTION's Older American Volunteer Programs. As one of more than 420,000 senior volunteers who serve through the Foster Grandparent Program, the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, and the Senior Companion Program, you have contributed to our Nation and have served as an inspiration to us all.

I agree with Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who at 67 said, "Age is opportunity no less / Than Youth itself." You've certainly made the most of this opportunity by sharing your time, wisdom, skills, and experience with those in need. On the occasion of Older Americans Month, please accept our thanks and appreciation for your selfless commitment. God bless you.

*Ronald Reagan*

# RSVP Action Line

VOL.10 NO.3 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - FALL 1988

## RSVP Volunteer Elated with Award

Although she recently was one of 75 members chosen to receive her sorority's "Diamond Award" at its national convention in San Francisco, her selection as a recipient of the prestigious WLKY-TV Spirit of Louisville Foundation's Bell Award left Alice Lucille Martin, RSVP volunteer and Council member, jubilant over receiving this honor in her own home town!

Channel 32 honored 10 outstanding volunteers for their service to the community at a dinner and a ceremony which was telecast live on October 3 from the Galt House. Nominated by Metro United Way's Community Resource Division for her service as a literacy tutor at Miles Memorial Community Center and for her service as Chair of RSVP's Evaluation Committee, Ms. Martin has been deeply involved in a variety of community services.

After teaching school both here and abroad for 36 years, she retired to devote her time and energy (in addition to Miles Literacy Program for youth and adults) to the Meriwether Neighborhood Association, the World Federation of Methodist Women, Hampton University alumni Association, the Urban 4-H Program, Delta Sigma Theta sorority - the nation's largest black women's organization with a membership of 125,000 college graduates, and the Jefferson County Council on Aging. In many of these, she has held (and still does) executive positions. For several years, she has helped Volunteers of America prepare and serve Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners to disadvantaged and homeless people.



Mary Sullivan, Director of Volunteer Programs, Sharon Pearlman-Slate, Communications Specialist, and the RSVP Staff - Sarah Richie, Manager, Mae Crump and Martha McLaughlin, Field Specialists - represented Metro United Way at the Bell Awards dinner. We feel Ms. Martin epitomizes the "Spirit of Louisville", and we congratulate her and rejoice with her at being chosen one of the ten recipients. The finalists were also awarded the gold Jefferson medallion from the American Institute of Public Service in Washington, D.C.



# HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

## Calling Retirees to a New Life of Community Service

### VERY SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

If you're enthusiastic and find joy and satisfaction in your volunteer service, recent research shows you are what attracts others to become volunteers. So please tell your friends and neighbors to call RSVP at 583-2821.

ACCEPT, Inc., a consumer credit counseling service needs clerical assistants four evenings a month (4:30 - 8:30 p.m.) to greet clients, answer the telephone, and do paper work.

The Alzheimers Association needs volunteers to work closely with people with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, to provide companionship and supervision during an afternoon of structured activities - from noon to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at St. Matthews Baptist Church.

Bellewood Home for Children needs tutors for a group of adolescent boys to assist them with academic and social skills. The sessions are planned for Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Louisville Zoo is offering a four-week training program of the Meta Zoo Center and the animals throughout October and November from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. After the training, docents will instruct school group classes, do outreach programs to hospitals and nursing homes, and participate in special education events.

The Louisville Public Libraries can use volunteers to deliver books to homebound persons 1-2 hours a month. This will involve picking up books from a local library and delivering them to the individual, and returning the books to the library.

The Museum of History & Science needs volunteers to work in the Museum Store, ushers, KidSpace volunteers to help facilitate hands-on exhibit for children age 7 and younger, classroom assistants, tutors, and clerical assistants.

There are many volunteer opportunities available at NKC Hospitals - Hosts, hostesses, tour guides, playroom leaders, medical library assistants, public relations assistant, personnel clerks, marketing representatives, friendly visitors, bookcart hostesses, etc.

Parkside Senior Adult Day Center which provides day-care services to the elderly, needs an arts and craft instructor, two hours every so often, to teach participants to make simple, fun items.

YWCA Spouse Abuse Center which offers a comprehensive shelter program for victims of domestic violence, needs volunteers who are available weekdays and evenings to serve in their advocacy programs. Also needed are public speakers, tutors, and volunteers to answer the crisis "hotline."

## RSVP VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTE TIME/ENERGY TO MUW CAMPAIGN '88

As we go to press, Metro United Way has just held its Mid-Campaign Pep Rally in the Bomhard Theatre at the Kentucky Center for the Arts where it reported \$6,600,000 of its \$15 million goal has been pledged. The Campaign will culminate in a Victory Dinner Celebration on November 15 at L'Esprit Centre.

We salute Campaign '88 Chairman, Ina Brown Johnson, whose leadership and enthusiasm for the services, which United Way's 79 agencies provide this community, has been an inspiration to all. We would be remiss if we did not also salute the many RSVP volunteers who helped with Campaign mailings, some of which were very complicated, as well as those volunteers who put together thousands of United Way pins at various senior centers. Our thanks go to the many volunteers at Parkside Adult Day center, Senior House West's Neighborhood House and Lions Center, Prospect-Harrods Creek Seniors, and Reitmeier Seniors who wrestled with the pins.



Pictured above at one of the many mailing sessions are, left to right around the table: Josephine Johnson, Lucille Henehan, Margaret Hall, Florine Williams, Fay Hiatt, and Viola Kinman. Others who helped with this voluminous project are: Pauline and William Brown, Jean Cohen, Wilhelmina Cummings, Sally Gosline, Selma Schwartz, and Miriam Sherman. RSVP thanks each and every one of these volunteers who have contributed to the success of the United Way Campaign '88.

## BITS and PIECES



### RSVP Bids Irv Cheney Farewell

It is with much regret that RSVP will say farewell to B. I. Cheney, Jr. (Irv) who is retiring as Kentucky State Director for ACTION, Inc. in late October. We have appreciated his guidance and assistance to Metro United Way's RSVP project for the past twelve and one half years, and we surely will miss him!

Irv also has overseen ACTION projects - RSVP, Foster Grandparents, Senior Companion Program and Vista Volunteers throughout Kentucky and West Virginia in his tenure here. Frankly, it is difficult for some of us to respect governmental bureaucrats, but this is one unusual federal agent, who has insisted on the highest standards of integrity in the expenditure of federal funds, as well as showing compassion for the human frailties he has encountered. We wish you well in your new home in Georgia, Irv, and we hope you will remember your friends in Kentucky!

The ACTION office will not only have a new Kentucky State Director, but Delois Mitchell has been appointed secretary to succeed Linda Bingham who is now Kentucky State Program Specialist.

A "HELP LINE" for seniors has been established by County Judge Executive Harvey Sloane and Mayor of Louisville Jerry Abramson using Metro United Way's Information and Referral number - 589-4470 along with a special TDD number - 589-4259 for the hearing impaired.

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A great bargain for seniors is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  price tickets (\$1.00 each) for groups of ten or more at Rauch Memorial Planetarium. Daily shows are Monday through Friday at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m. Sunday shows are at 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. The facility is handicap accessible and is located on the U of L Belknap campus. Please call 588-6665 for group reservations.

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U of L and Kling Center offer Senior Adult Coffee and Lecture series on the 2nd Monday of each month at Masterson's Restaurant. Please call 588-6061 for program announcements. Tickets are \$3.00 per person. No coffee lectures are scheduled for January or February 1989.

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At the recent Kentucky State Conference on Volunteerism, Charles and Marian Gagel, RSVP volunteers for Jadac, were participants at the Tuesday afternoon session. Because of their experience with the Jefferson Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center, they were able to contribute to the discussion among the 100 Volunteer Administrators who needed to find ways to combat the substance abuse problem. We are very proud of the Gagels who are shown in the center below.



# Happy Birthday Volunteers!

## JULY

Sr. Callistus Abell  
Pauline Banks  
Beatrice Bartsch  
Grandison Blakey  
Catherine Blansett  
Frank Brown  
Frances Bufkin  
Mary Burgess  
John Carey  
Sr. Mary P. Cassidy  
Sr. Margaret Charlton  
Jean Cohen  
Hazel Conklin  
Phyllis Covatta  
Jessie Crady  
Simon David  
James Day  
Mary Dettlinger  
Fran Drasher  
Ethel Dreher  
Irene Emington  
Bernice French  
Edward Gottbrath  
Norbert Gottbrath  
Maurice Gould  
Emma Gray  
Clara Gregory  
Roberta Hadley  
Margaret Hall  
Virginia Head  
Ruth Hedgepeth  
Marie Hobbs  
Mary Hodge  
Mary Houston  
Teresa Hutti  
Pauline Jackson  
Robert Janes  
Sr. Louis Jarboe  
Ethel Johnson  
Mary S. Johnson  
Lucille Kamer  
Mary R. Kamer  
Betty Kayrouz  
Avis Kettring  
Martha Lowry  
Mary McCarthy  
Daisy McCormick  
Joe McDowell  
Mary McManus  
Lucile Maddox  
Dorothy Mallory  
Marie Miller

Rose Miller  
Gladys Moore  
Hazel Moran  
Esther Morton  
Jo Munz  
Sylvia Myers  
Mary Newcomer  
Irene Niemeier  
Gertrude Peak  
Lillie Pearson  
Frances Richardson  
Margaret Ryan  
Elizabeth Sauter  
Elmer Sauter  
Elizabeth Schaefer  
Edwin Scharf  
Francis Schnabel  
Herold Schueler  
Nellie Schwalk  
Frances E. Scott  
Etta Sears  
Frank Smith  
Hazel Smith  
Joseph Sohm  
Robert Steinmetz  
Ruth Steinmetz  
Zella Switzer  
Alice TenBarge  
Ivan TenBarge  
Josephine Vowels  
Rudy Weppler  
Carroll Williams  
Frank Williams  
Cecil Woods  
Jean Young

## AUGUST

George Ashe  
Eloise Bader  
Wilma Baldwin  
Mary Boles  
Marge Bradway  
Ruth Brandt  
William Brown  
Herman Bush  
Ruth Cantor  
William Chester  
Alene Cox  
Dorothy Cox  
Helen Crowe  
Anna Davis

Coreaner Davis  
Minnie Eastridge  
Everdean Ferguson  
Beatrice Gough  
Sadye Grossman  
Elizabeth Hall  
Victoria Hayes  
Helen Head  
Lucille Henehan  
Ann Herbig  
Addie Howard  
Augusta Jeffries  
Frances Kaelin  
Edith Karcher  
Mattie Kelley  
Harry Klapheke  
Ethel Kunzler  
A. J. Lichtsteiner  
Estalyn Longhofer  
Margaret Lorenzen  
Emily Lutz  
Zelpha Lyles  
Robert McCormick  
Al McCreary  
Helen D. Manning  
Mary May  
Charles Mitchell  
Louise Mitchell  
Mary Mitchell  
Rose Moore  
Millie Nickels  
Charles Niehoff  
Fern Oatson  
Alice Offutt  
Pansy Olges  
Virginia Perkins  
Lucille Powell  
Anna-Blye Price  
Mary Reese  
Rachel Richards  
Geraldine Rigdon  
Dorothy Rosenbaum  
Helen Schmitt  
Joseph Schoene  
Edith Slayton  
Bernice Smith  
Florence Smith  
Kate Spaulding  
Ruth Stopher  
McConnell Voss  
Aline Weber  
Edith Weber

# More Happy Birthdays ...

OCTOBER

Polly Weber  
James Wiseman  
Olga Wiseman  
Thelma Young

## SEPTEMBER

Clay Allen  
Velma Allen  
Doris Baker  
Clarence Baron  
Thomas Beam  
Joanne Benum  
Alyne Bradshaw  
Cecilia Brunner  
Donzella Bryant  
Catherine Cambron  
Walter Crady  
Margaret Donoho  
Robert Dryden  
John Duerr  
Ethel Duvall  
Robert Edger  
Virginia Elliott  
Josephine Ellis  
Margaret Ferguson  
Susie Gates  
Jamesetta Gilkey  
Mary Gillis  
Flossie Gordon  
Anna Griffin  
Rose Gunther  
Hazel Halabi  
George Hans  
Frances Hardiman  
Frances Haskell  
Ersula Hayes  
William Heffren  
Ida Hertz  
John Hettinger  
Eva Holloway  
Norman Horner  
Lucille Howard  
Bennie Howell  
Dorothy Ingram  
Carolyn Ising  
Bernice Jackson  
Josephine Johnson  
Luevenia Johnson  
Mary Johnson  
Winifred Johnson  
Zilla Jones  
Harold King  
Irene King

Mora Lee King  
F. C. Kintler  
Mary C. Klein  
Nadine Knight  
Carl Long  
Regina Lyons  
Mary McCamish  
Nellie McCoy  
Alice McDougal  
Virginia McGurk  
Ben Marks  
Fannie Marsee  
Catherine Martin  
Lucille A. Martin  
Caroline Miller  
Virginia Pellman  
Clara Pfaadt  
Frances Powell  
Andrew Purcell  
Emily Quan  
Ethel Quesenberry  
Mary Quinker  
Mary N. Riggs  
Mary R. Riggs  
Leona Robins  
Imelda Ross  
Ruby Ross  
Martha Rueff  
Magdalene Scharfenberger  
Elizabeth Schmitt  
Florence Schulz  
Virginia Schupp  
Marian Schwind  
Mary J. Sermersheim  
Marian Sherman  
Ruby Shull  
Zara Siebe  
A. G. Spizzirri  
Dorothy Stone  
Verna May Storms  
Mary Summers  
Mayola Taylor  
Sr. Agnes B. Thall  
Thelma Vardeman  
Anna Walker  
Sr. Jean West  
Mary White  
Goldie Wiegandt  
Ruth Woods  
Aileen Wright  
Carrie Zaring

Susie Allensworth  
Clarence Barnes  
Mary Lucille Berry  
Viola Blevins  
Laura Brooks  
Julia Brown  
Mary Browning  
Katherine Buck  
Virginia Bunnell  
Mary Cambron  
Dorothy Carnahan  
Mary Crutcher  
Emmy Kate David  
Elta Rae Davis  
Frances Dever  
Dorothy Durant  
Adell Durrett  
Irene Eckles  
Martine Elder  
Mollie Ellis  
Jack Feigenbaum  
Marjorie Ferris  
Norbert Fichteman  
Mary Rose Filburn  
Hilda Filley  
Roberta Frech  
Blanche Gailbreath  
Dora Gamble  
Christina Gregory  
Hazel Griffin  
Mildred Hardin  
Margie Harper  
Ardella Heim  
Irene Hoskinson  
Edmonia Howard  
Christine Kandler  
Nassar Kayrouz  
George Link  
Margaret McCall  
Louise McDaniel  
Ann Merce  
Gladys Minyard  
Joseph Mitchell  
Juanita Moore  
Alfred Moss  
Irene Mueller  
Mossie Neal  
Elbert Needy  
Harry Niemeier  
Woodrow North  
Mary Olges  
Robert Payne  
Howard Paynter  
Louise Payton

## More Happy Birthdays ...

Leona Pratt  
Elizabeth Rheinlaender  
Josephine Richards  
Raymond Richter  
Marguerite Robinson  
Ann Ruhl  
Vivian Sadler  
Alma Schehr  
Mary Schneider  
Edith Schuler  
Leonard Shull  
Donnie C. Stammerman  
Mary Steier  
Lillie Mae Stover  
Merle Stueve  
Cecil Talbott  
Roberta Teague  
Eloise Terry  
James Timmons  
Herbert Townsend  
Bertie Troutman  
Rose Wacker  
Betty Walsh  
Charles Watson  
Marie Weckman  
Margaret Wheatley  
Agnes White  
Ann White  
George Worland



## R.S.V.P. WELCOMES NEW AND REINSTATED VOLUNTEERS

Velma Allen  
David Bald  
Mary Beyl  
Grandison Blakey  
Sr. Charlesine Bowling  
Charles Braehler  
Frank Brow  
Rosa Brown  
Donzella Bryant  
Virginia Bunnell  
John Carey  
Virginia Carroll  
Frances Carwile  
Verna Conlin  
Grovarnia Conner  
Helen Crowe  
Mary Davis  
Louise Deutsch  
Betty Ann DeWitt  
Herman DeWitt  
Gertrude Diamond  
Arthur Dillard  
Robert Dryden  
Barbara Evans  
Agnes Fella  
Everdean Ferguson  
Nell Fischer  
Ruby Foreman  
Virginia Fulton  
Calvin Gatton  
Flossie Gordon  
Hazel Halabi  
Everlena Harris  
Danielle Hoffman  
Deenie Houck  
Ethel Louise Johnson  
Marcella Johnson  
Mary Lee Johnson  
Faye Kaestner

Viola Kinman  
Gertrude Klaphke  
John Little  
Regina Lyons  
Mary May  
Leona Meiners  
Dorothy Miles  
Bertha Mills  
Charles Mitchell  
Hazel Moran  
Mary McGraw  
Millie Nickels  
Emma Overby  
Betty Oerther  
Estill Parman  
Hazel Parman  
Virginia Perkins  
Ethel Peterson  
Willa Puckett  
Jessie Randle  
Marguerite Robinson  
Rebecca Sagalowsky  
Mary Louise Schindler  
William Schindler  
Harry Sedberry  
Betty Short  
Doris Singleton  
Rosemary Talbot  
Bernard Trager  
Mary Thomas  
Aline VanderEspt  
Marie VanderEspt  
Helen Knapp Vogel  
Sylvan Wagner  
Lillie White  
Goldie Wiegandt  
Charlie Winter  
Jean Young  
Helen Zimmerman

## SALVATION ARMY PLANS CHRISTMAS AID

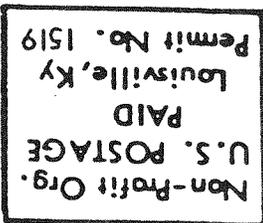
The Salvation Army will need volunteers throughout the Holidays to help staff the "Angel Trees" in shopping areas throughout greater Louisville...to work at toy shops...be a bell ringer...keep simple records and accept gifts from donors, as well as assist the organization in taking applications from needy persons for Christmas food, clothing and gifts.

Please call Mary Ellen Grannan - 587-0010 if you would like to help. Also please tell her you are an RSVP member so she can give you credit for your hours of service.



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SPECIAL ONE-TIME VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: If you have some extra time outside of your regular volunteer service, you might like to participate in these special need programs. Please call RSVP if you are interested and available - 583-2821.

The American Cancer Society will need volunteers to man booths in two-hour shifts during the "Great American Smokeout" on November 16 and 17, 1988. The booths will be located in five different areas of Jefferson County - Central, Eastern, Southeast, Southwest, and Western Louisville.

The American Lung Association will need volunteers to assist flu shot recipients in filling out forms at various locations in Jefferson County during "Flu Prevention Week, November 7-11, 1988. Locations: Mid-City Mall, Lyles Mall, Southwest Government Center, and NKC Hospitals.

Dare To Care will be having their "Fall Food Drive" again this year, and will need volunteers to pass out literature at local Kroger Food Stores on October 28, 29, 30, and November 4, 5, 6. Volunteers may work two or three at a shift for more than two hours - whatever they wish.

# RSVP Action Line

VOL. 9 NO. 4 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - WINTER 1988

## 1987 ... 1988 A NEW BEGINNING

1987 was a year of many accomplishments for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. I would like to share a few of those achievements with you.

- RSVP members gave 214,878 hours of volunteer service at 135 sites in the Louisville area!
- The first Sweet Sixteen Senior Prom was held with over 900 in attendance.
- RSVP was chosen for the first issue of an Older American Volunteer Publication, "You Can Do More". It's a survey of outstanding projects throughout the nation which are making an extra effort "to do more" to achieve their goals.
- Three RSVP volunteers received the Bell Award! (See page 3 for other special honors).
- A report from ACTION State Director, B. I. Cheney, Jr., showed the program had no internal deficiencies and no deviation from ACTION guidelines. MUW President, Robert Reifsnnyder and the RSVP staff were congratulated by Cheney for this commendable achievement.
- The staff recruited 124 new members and reinstated 33 former volunteers.

1988 is a new year when many of us make resolutions. I would like to make a few resolutions for RSVP, but I will need your help to accomplish them.

- All volunteers will strive to report all volunteer hours of service given.
- RSVP volunteers will recruit 100 new members by inviting a friend or two to join RSVP.

Let's all work together to make 1988 the best year ever for RSVP. The staff congratulates you for a very successful 1987 and wishes you and your families much peace and happiness in the New Year.

*Sarah Richie*

## BITS AND PIECES OF GOOD NEWS

The best news of 1987 was the Metro United Way "Scoreboard" at the Campaign '87 Victory Dinner, November 24 showing a total of \$13,702,000! The \$250,000 over its goal was raised by this community and the surrounding United Way member counties. Donations by RSVP volunteers and your contributions to Campaign in so many other ways are much appreciated.

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If you missed Al Allen's "Prime Time" column, "RSVP is a warm response to the community's needs," let us know, and we will send you a copy. What he wrote was what he felt when he interviewed many RSVP volunteers at various sites. Allen's columns are always pertinent to the concerns and needs of retired persons—do read them on Wednesdays.

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A Business Breakfast sponsored by the US Department of Labor (DOL) and Louisville Literacy PLUS was held October 21 at the Galt House. Over 120 representatives from local and state governments, educational institutions, the Chamber of Commerce, the libraries, social service agencies, and business heard those involved in the literacy arena here tell of the community-wide efforts being made to reduce illiteracy in Jefferson County and of the need for volunteer tutors. Training for tutors is scheduled for January 23 and 30; February 13 and 20; March 19 and 26. Call RSVP 583-2821 to register.

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William Inlow, Executive Director of Senior House and Loretta Burch, RSVP volunteer gave a very fine interview on WXVW Radio, December 6.

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KAOP invites you to "Apple Pie Day" in Franfort, February 18. For more information call 582-2541.



**VERY SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

**HEAR YE! HEAR YE!**

**Calling Retirees to a New Life of  
Community Service**

We are aware of federal/state budget cuts which affect social services for many persons in need. Help now will have to come from the private sector, and that includes RSVP volunteers. Tell your friend they too are needed! Their talents and life experiences can make a difference at the following agencies where RSVP can help them get started. They can reach us at 583-2821.

American Red Cross especially needs volunteers to assist in its Blood Program, and volunteers (in mid-February) to screen persons on fixed incomes who seek Winterhelp funds to pay fuel bills. Training for both programs is provided.

Jefferson Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center (JADAC) needs friendly, cheerful volunteers for their front lobby reception desk on weekday mornings. This is a beautiful facility where volunteer training will be provided on January 16 and January 23.

Destination Louisville—you don't have to be a Presbyterian to assist this agency which was established to help with the relocation of Presbyterian Headquarters to Louisville. Volunteers need to know how to type and file.

Museum of History and Science needs volunteers with a background in science, history, archaeology, anthropology, geology, dentistry, or ophthalmology to lend their knowledge to the Museum. Former teachers who enjoy children are also needed for special programs for young people.

Senior Citizens Enterprise, Inc. needs persons to make telephone surveys four times a year regarding the quality of services being provided by the agency's home-care aides.

YMCA Shelter House needs volunteers with a public speaking background to speak to civic, social and church groups about the Center for Youth Alternatives. Volunteers to enter data on the computer, tutors, and clerical assistants are also needed.

J. B. Tinsley Senior Center needs four van drivers to transport mobile meals to homebound senior citizens in the Anchorage area. Volunteer tutors and a chorus leader are also needed.

Dare To Care has a need for volunteers throughout the year to assist with bulk mailings, data entry, answering the telephone, warehouse workers, typing thank yous, and drivers to pick up donated bread products at various groceries and bakeries.

## KUDOS AND CHEERS FOR RSVP VOLUNTEERS

We know that RSVP volunteers make a difference wherever they serve. We would like to give each of you a gold medal for your loyalty, dependability, and your concern for persons less fortunate than yourselves.

Below are special appreciations received from grateful RSVP site directors in 1987. Clockwise from left: a note from Sharon Leezer at the Brown School where Barbara Brooks, RSVP tutor is making a difference in the lives of children; Julie McDonald praises RSVP member Charlie Gagel at JADAC who has received special training as an alcohol/drug abuse counselor; the heading of a list of 160 adult reading tutors of whom 34 are RSVP members who were honored at the end of the school year last spring by Jefferson County Public Schools, and a note to Al McCreary who volunteers for ACCEPT, Inc., a department of American Red Cross, and who was awarded a certificate for "Outstanding Volunteer Service."

From The Desk of...

Sharon Leezer

Please convey to Ms. Brooks our deepest appreciation for her involvement here at the Brown. She is most dependable and truly a "God send" for the students.

Thomas Jo Mudd

RSVP:

Here's information about Charlie Gagel that might be of interest to your volunteers.

Charlie was recently awarded a scholarship by Jefferson Alcohol/Drug Abuse Center to the Kentucky School for Alcohol and Drug studies. This was held at Northern Kentucky University.

He also received three nominations for the Bell Awards, one of which was submitted by JADAC.

He is a very outstanding volunteer.

Julie McDonald  
Volunteer Coordinator  
JADAC

Al McCreary ~ ACCEPT, Inc.

April 12, 1987

Congratulations on winning the Outstanding Volunteer Service Award for your area of service!

Sincerely,

*Gail Hamilton*

Gail Hamilton  
Director  
Human Resources Development

JEFFERSON COUNTY  
HONOR ROLL  
ADULT READING PROGRAM  
1986-87 VOLUNTEERS



# *Happy Birthday Volunteers!*

## October

Susie Allensworth  
Clarence Barnes  
Mary Barr  
Elizabeth Brake  
Laura Brooks  
Julia Brown  
Mary Browning  
Katherine Buck  
Sr. Mary Cofer  
Mary Crutcher  
Emmy David  
Etta Davis  
Frances Dever  
Dorothy Durant  
Adell Durrett  
Irene Eckles  
Martine Elder  
Mollie Ellis  
Jack Feigenbaum  
Marjorie Ferris  
Norbert Fichteman  
Mary Rose Filburn  
Hilda Filley  
Roberta Frech  
Blanche Gailbreath  
Dora Gamble  
Christina Gregory  
Hazel Griffin  
Mildred Hardin  
Margie Harper  
Ardella Heim  
Irene Hoskinson  
Edmonia Howard  
Tony Kayrouz  
Harold Knipp  
George Link  
Margaret McCall  
Lela McHatton  
Anne Merce  
Gladys Minyard  
Joseph Mitchell  
Juanita Moore  
Alfred Moss  
Irene Mueller  
Mossie Neal  
Harry Niemeier  
Woodrow North  
Mary Olges  
Dale Pate

Robert Payne  
Howard Paynter  
Louise Payton  
Leona Pratt  
Elizabeth Rheinlaender  
Josephine Richards  
Raymond Richter  
Marguerite Robinson  
Ann Ruhl  
Vivian Sadler  
Alma Schehr  
Mary Schneider  
Edith Schuler  
Leonard Shull  
Cecilia Smith  
Sr. Mary Cornelius  
Henry Sowers  
Donnie Stammerman  
Mary Steier  
Lillie Stover  
Merle Stueve  
Roberta Teague  
Eloise Terry  
Dorothy Thomas  
James Timmons  
Herbert Townsend  
Bertie Troutman  
Catherine Veatch  
Sr. Marcia Voll  
Rose Wacker  
Betty Walsh  
Catherine Watkins  
Charles Watson  
Marie Weckman  
Margaret Wheatley  
Agnes White  
Ann White  
George Worland

## November

Polly Bader  
Effie Baker  
Sr. Adelaide Barber  
Rev. B. Barbour  
Alma Belew  
Floy Benton  
Earl Boyet

Lowrene Carothers  
Elizabeth Coleman  
Jack Cothren  
Wilhelmina Cummings  
Elizabeth Dalton  
Mildred Dewboys  
Florence Dixon  
Picolla Garr  
Odis Garvin  
Gladys Goepper  
Sr. Mary B. Haggerty  
Sr. Janice Hamilton  
Alice Helmel  
Lottie Higgins  
Janice Hurd  
Anthony Kaelin  
Mary Kaplan  
Carrie Kavich  
Katie Kidwell  
Dorothy Kremer  
Emmart LaCrosse  
Annabelle Levels  
Evelyn Mathely  
Mabel McClain  
Katie McGill  
Florence Miller  
Sue Moss  
John Mueller  
Julia Munier  
Loretta Niebauer  
Mildred O'Brien  
Anna Pollock  
Margaret Raque  
Ida Mae Rigdon  
Gussie Rines  
Helen Ritter  
Ruth Roppel  
Coleman Sadler  
Martin Saper  
Alberta Schaeftlein  
Ruby Schmidt  
Mary Schmitt  
Frances Schueler  
John Schulten  
Mollie Scott  
Nettie Shaahadey  
Mary Shircliff  
Sr. Margaret Smith  
Harold Snover

## *More Happy Birthdays ...*

Margaret Spurling  
Aileen Stevenson  
Jean Story  
Mary Taylor  
Thelma Thomas  
Alean Uselton  
Betty Watson  
Irene Welch  
Sr. Jean West  
Bernice Wiggins  
Thelma Will  
A. W. Willard  
Florine Williams  
Loren Williams  
Raymond Wisehart

### December

Ethel Austin  
Anna Avery  
Aline Baldwin  
Dora Beard  
Ralph Beckley  
Mary L. Berry  
Thelma Blakemore  
Lucienne Bookout  
Dorothy Borders  
Madeline Boyd  
Mary Brown  
Pauline Brown  
Kitty Brownell

Marvin Butler  
Mary Cambron  
Dorothy Carnahan  
Barbara Carr  
Louise Clark  
Mattie Correro  
Beulah Cowherd  
Sr. Lucille Cruz  
Mary Daub  
Nancy Ditsler  
Ruby Dockery  
Leona Elsler  
Beulah Elzie  
Robert Ewing  
Annette Exley  
Sr. Mary Fedler  
Georgia Frankhouser  
Bertha Fritz  
Charles Gagel  
Lida Gibson  
Sara Gillespie  
Joella Goodman  
Frank Hardeman  
Evelyn Hardman  
Edith Haynes  
Robert Key  
Catherine Koch  
Henrietta Koshewa  
Mary Krahl  
Catherine Krebs  
Marie Loftis

Bertha Losch  
A. Lucille Martin  
Lettie Martin  
Hannah Mather  
Harold Miller  
Ida Miller  
Marie Miller  
William Morris  
Alice Morrow  
Pearl Mount  
Anna Owens  
Bonnie Parris  
Ralph Peak  
Nell Philpott  
Shirlee Poore  
Hettie Powers  
Frank Robertson  
Beatrice Schwartz  
Eda Scott  
Beulah Shain  
Ernest Spencer  
Emil Stauble  
Ernest Stone  
Mary C. Sullivan  
Golena Vinson  
Theresa Voza  
Elizabeth Weber  
Andrew Whaley  
Antoinette Wheatley  
Henrietta White  
Lela Wiseman

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### R.S.V.P. WELCOMES NEW AND REINSTATED VOLUNTEERS

Philip Butters  
Fran Drasher  
Adell Durrett (R)  
Marie Everslage  
Marie Farmer  
Carl French  
Mary Glenn (R)  
Mamie Griffin  
Evelyn Hardman

Janie Harris  
Ruth Hedgepeth  
Danielle Hoffman  
Morris Kling  
Margaret Lasley  
Mary McManus  
Irene Mueller  
Marcella Orrill  
Andrew Purcell

Frances Richardson  
Mary Riggs (R)  
Dorothy Rosenbaum  
Bernice Smith  
Cecilia Smith  
Zella Switzer (R)  
Catherine Watkins  
Kate Wilkinson (R)  
Jean Will

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THANK YOU

First graders sent the RSVP volunteers at Zion United Church colorful Thank You's for the writing books these volunteers had prepared for them. We're sorry we couldn't reproduce Joey's in the bright colors he used.