

RSVP Action Line

VOL.10 NO.3 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - SPRING 1989



The VOLUNTEER CONNECTION is a media intensive program sponsored by Metro United Way's Voluntary Action Center and Retired Senior Volunteer Program, WAVE 3, and 84WHAS radio to make people more aware of the need for volunteers and to "connect" those who want to volunteer with organizations that need them. It's an effort to match a volunteer's interests and talents with an opportunity in the community which is most fulfilling to each individual.

A needs assessment of organizations in nine counties resulted in 8,000 requests for volunteers by 200 organizations. A telephone-bank has been installed in the United Way building where eight volunteers may answer calls for the CON-NECT hotline in morning, afternoon and evening shifts.

Where similar ventures in cities across the country have been tried, the results have been astounding. Thousands of persons who never before had volunteered signed on to help agencies provide needed services. In the first few days of the VOLUNTEER CONNECTION here, over 100 persons called to find out where they might volunteer, and the calls have been coming in every day.

Metro United Way's Voluntary Action Center will continue to use the name, VOLUNTEER CONNECTION and will continue to place volunteers of all ages. Persons over 60 will be referred to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. You can help by telling your friends and neighbors to call CON-NECT (266-6328), or RSVP at 583-2821 if they are over 60 years old.



Pictured above are volunteers of all ages who have pledged some of their time and talents to the VOLUNTEER CONNECTION. Lucille Martin, in center front, is a member of the RSVP Advisory Council and among the first volunteers interviewed by Larry Nobles on WAVE 3's "Today in WAVE Country."

Ms. Martin has taken the training provided for volunteers who will answer the calls on the hotline. RSVP members who also plan to help with the phone-bank are: Catherine Sullivan of Project English, Lorraine Harrod and Winifred Johnson from American Red Cross Southwest, Owen and Betty Shrader who volunteer for Hospice and as literacy tutors.

The VOLUNTEER CONNECTION will welcome other RSVP volunteers who have some spare time to commit to the phone-bank. Please call Mary Sullivan at 583-2821 for information about the training sessions and the days you would be needed to answer the hotline calls.





**VERY SPECIAL
ANNOUNCEMENT**

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

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

You are special people and we're positive you know other special people, too. Encourage them to become an RSVP volunteer by calling 583-2821, NOW!

American Diabetes needs volunteers to provide assistance with bulk mailings, answer phones during lunch periods, and run copies. Training will be provided.

The Arthritis Foundation is recruiting volunteers to perform receptionist and secretarial duties in addition to assisting with social activities.

Baptist Fellowship Center is seeking volunteer coordinators for its food pantry, clothes closet, and library. Volunteer sewing instructors, tutors, and Foster Grandparents for the day care are also needed.

Bashford East Health Care is looking for Friendly Visitors who can visit with residents and assist with social activities.

Catholic Charities (Parish Social Ministry) is soliciting volunteers to serve as Social Service Advocates by assisting clients who are seeking financial assistance for rent, food, clothing, utility payments, medicine, or emergency housing. Teacher's Aides are also needed.

The Crisis and Information Center needs Peer Counselors to assist mentally ill persons with money management, shopping, writing letters, and transportation. Volunteers are also needed as Telephone Counselors for the 24-hour information and referral line. Training is provided.

HELP! WE NEED YOU!!!

TELECARE has volunteers who provide a security check and a "friendly hello" each day for shut-ins.

The Louisville Library has volunteers who are taking books to homebound people once a month and returning books that have been read.

If you know of anyone who would enjoy either of these services, please ask them to contact Ellen Hytken, Director of TELE CARE, at 582-2541, and/or Ms. Carolyn Nankivell, Library Extension Service, at 561-8638 to receive the services.

STAY "TUNED" FOR DARE TO CARE INFORMATION...
(available in your next issue of the "RSVP Action Line")

RSVP to Honor Volunteers

Thanks, volunteers, for your many suggestions for a "Theme" for our 1989 recognition luncheon. They were simply great! The Theme chosen was suggested by several of you, so plans are underway for what we hope will be a memorable occasion. We look forward to seeing you on May 13 in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House East.

Here is the schedule as planned by the RSVP Recognition Committee:

Agency display in Lobby.....9:30 a.m.
Doors open for seating10:45 a.m.
Special Program/Door Prizes..11:00 a.m.
Luncheon served.....11:45 a.m.
Entertainment/Door Prizes....12:30 p.m.

Invitations and a Reservation Card will be sent to active volunteers on April 20. Reservations must be made by May 4, so that we can get your luncheon tickets to you before May 13.

The Galt House East has raised its cost of meals this year; therefore, Guest Meals will be \$11.00. Everyone who is not an RSVP volunteer will need a guest ticket since our funds are designated for recognition of ACTIVE volunteers only. If you plan to have guests, please include the money for their meals with your Reservation Card.

There are no reserved tables, excepting for wheelchair users. The Galt House East tables are set for 8 persons, so please plan accordingly. Do come and celebrate yourselves, because you are all in the "Winner's Circle"!



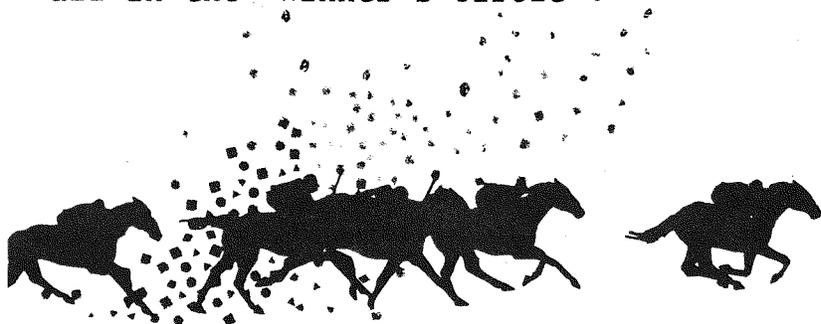
Maybe there's something in the air or water in Portland that produces creativity among its residents. Not long ago we told you about the "Poet of Portland", Alean Uselton whose book of poems has been published by the Portland Museum.

Now, another Portland-ite, Mary Forcht, has been recognized again for her humor and wit by Reader's Digest. This time her original joke was used by the Courier Journal in January 1988 and selected by the Digest for its March 1989 issue. If you don't subscribe here is how it went:

A couple was having a heated discussion. Finally, the wife exploded: "If it weren't for my money, this 45-inch TV set wouldn't be here. If it weren't for my money, that chair you're sitting in wouldn't be here. If it weren't for my money, this house wouldn't be here."

"Are you kidding?" her husband snorted. "If it weren't for your money, I wouldn't be here".

The best part of the Reader's Digest reprint was the \$100 that the magazine now pays for humorous items. Mrs. Forcht has added it to her "travel" account so that she can join Mrs. Uselton (both are long-time RSVP volunteers at Senior House West) on a vacation at some exotic place. They are shown above in Nassau in 1988 - Portland's very own Poet on the left and its Humorist at right.



JCPS/United Way/State of Kentucky to Honor Volunteers

While schools and the Adult Learning Centers officially close on May 4, there will be a summer remedial session for a few elementary, middle and high schools from June 12 to mid-July.

Tutors will be needed for basic reading and math, as well as pre-GED subjects, so if you would like to help in this very needed service, please let RSVP know. Also, tutors will be needed at the few Adult Centers which will remain open beyond the regular school term. Exact locations for both programs will be announced later.

The Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Education Department is planning a recognition of all Literacy and GED tutors on April 29, 1989. It will be held at the Gheens Center from 10 a.m. to noon. Invitations will be sent to every tutor in the Adult Programs, so do save this date for a very special occasion.

Martha Wilkinson, Kentucky's First Lady, held a media event on March 6 at Naegele Outdoor Advertising Company to promote her crusade for a literate commonwealth. She thanked Naegele for contributing billboards across the state and the Batchelder Company for its bus advertising.

Mrs. Wilkinson praised KET-TV for its GED programs which let citizens in Kentucky obtain GED certification through TV. She pointed out that 800,000 adults in Kentucky do not have a high school degree and that 400,000 cannot fill out a job application nor are able to read street signs.

Those who were there from Jefferson County felt very proud of the ever expanding literacy programs which are being offered through the Jefferson County Public Schools, and especially proud of the volunteer tutors who contribute so much to their success.

Metro United Way's Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon will be at the Galt House East Grand Ballroom on April 19, 1989. A new award series, "The Allen Society Leadership Awards" will recognize six outstanding volunteers of the Metro United Way system. Other Volunteer Leadership Awards, a Youth Scholarship, and 1988 Campaign Awards will be presented.

Campaign '88 was such a success that everyone who had a part in it deserves an award. Businesses, Labor, Government, Agencies and Organizations will be recognized for their outstanding contributions which helped United Way exceed its goal.

A reception for outstanding volunteers in Kentucky will be April 17 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Oxmoor Center. Sarah Richie, RSVP director will attend with Charles Gagel, RSVP volunteer for JADAC (Jefferson Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center) who was RSVP's nominee for Outstanding Volunteer.

Volunteers who wish to attend the affair must make a reservation with Norma Johnson, director of the Kentucky Office of Volunteer Services in Frankfort. The number to call is 1-564-HELP. An answering machine will take reservations after 4:00 p.m. Please RSVP by April 10, 1989.

Since April is "Volunteer Awareness Month" in Kentucky, Ms. Johnson has arranged for the names of Kentucky volunteers to be posted in the corridor just outside the Lazarus store in Oxmoor. RSVP sent the names of all RSVP members who were active at the deadline on January 31, 1989, so when you're in Oxmoor look for your name.

Happy Birthday Volunteers!

FEBRUARY

Lavinia Allgaier
Marcella Amshoff
Willa Mae Bailey
Ted Beckmann
Catherine Beierlein
Mary Agnes Bettag
I. L. Brisendine
Jinkie Brown
Louise Brown
Julia Burres
Philip Butters
Frances Carwile
Delsie Chesser
Mary Jane Clayton
Claudia Dickerson
Roy Diemer
Elizabeth Egbert
Sylvia Eichhorn
Cliffie Elliott
Virginia Elzy
Edna Evans
Ruth Ezell
Marie Farmer
Viola French
Harold Friedly
Marian Gagel
Gertrude Gay
Mayme Gernert
Ollie Graves
Martha Harper
Mary Herriford
Sr. Anna Mary Hession
Geneva Hicks
Florence Hockersmith
Margaret Huffman
Alice Hull
Roy Hutchison
Novella Jones
Richard Kays
Antoinette Krebs
Bernadette Krebs
Walter Kupchik
Richard Lane
Martha Lenahan
Marcella Leverett
Emma Lichtefeld
Sr. Rosalia Link
Robert Litman
John Little
Louise McGilvary
James McKenzie
Ethel McKnight

Ruth Malone
Annie Mae Medley
Margaret Merriweather
Raymond Mirka
Harold Mitchell
Madison Neblett
Thelma Oakley
Carolyn Peleske
Mable Pellman
Myrtle Phillips
Mary Pontrich
Willa Puckett
Mary Raible
Billie Rarden
Elizabeth Rehm
Norma June Ridge
Helen Richardson
Mary Richter
Mary Richwalsky
Kenneth Robinson
Matilda Roederer
Helen Roehrig
June Saizan
Mary Louise Schindler
Selma Schwartz
Harry Sedberry
Edith Sheeley
Winnie Sherrill
Clara Shrader
Lee Dennison Smith
Lorraine Stumph
Matilda Sullivan
Arlene Tabor
Elizabeth Taylor
William Viscusi
Sylvan Wagner
Jessie Walker
Josphe Wathen
Fred Weber
Helen Wetherton
Ruby Wheeler
Alice Wicks
Sr. James Albert Wiggins
Denis Wiseman
Imelda Yuhr
Lois Zimbrick
Juanita Zuberer

MARCH

Susie Arnold

MARCH

Dorothy Badgett
Olivia Baldwin
Louise Barry
Marie L. Becher
Sigrid Berger
Annie Bell Bibbs
Norman Blieden
Mary C. Breckinridge
Bruce Bryan
Dorothy Bryan
Mae Belle Bullitt
William Burge
Lula Carlisle
Virginia Carroll
Charles Casper
Lillian Clements
Carl Clutinger
Nell Coakley
Anna Codey
Ollie Cole
Hildegard Costello
Edna Crenshaw
Emma Davis
Herman DeWitt
Eula Duff
Mary Durham
Grace Edds
Elizabeth Ewing
Isabel Fain
John Feldman
Agnes Fella
Mary Forcht
Rose Gerstle
Laura Goodman
Irene Hardesty
Merle Hardin
Katherine Harper
John Harris
Mary Harris
Pearl Hoffmann
Marie Horrell
Deenie Houck
Helen Huffman
Virginia Hunt
Sr. Clarentia Hutchins
Anna Jackson
Anna Johnson
Margaret Jones
Lois Jones
Faye Kaestner
Robert Keller
Sara Kemper

Happy Birthday Volunteers!

APRIL

Vatrics Keown
Christina Kern
Alice King
Gertrude Klaphke
Margaret Lasley
Anna Lewis
John Lindemeyer
Catherine Linette
Sherman Lucas
Helen Lyons
Ira McCamish
Clara McDonald
Gladys McMickle
Gladys Maier
Llewellyn Mills
Nellie Morsey
Helen O'Bryan
Anne-Marie O'Connell
Marcella Orrill
Hilda Payne
Ethel Peterson
Florence Powers
Robert Prante
Robert Rhoads
Mayme Duke Ridings
Edna Scott
Rose Marie Senn
Helen Spencer
Hulda Stanfield
Rosemary Talbot
Lois Taylor
Mary Thompson
Jack Underwood
Aline VanderEspt
Helen Knapp Vogel
Mary Wacyky
Otis Ward
Pauline Weis
Mary White
Pauline Wiedmar
Kate Wilkinson
Jean Will
Madeline Williamson
Ruth Willis
Margaret Wilson
Robert Wolf
Herman Zuberer

APRIL

Mamie Age

Minnie Allen
Beatrice Anderson
Beatrice Baker
Richard Barker
Virginia Blackburn
Geraldine Bland
Steve Borders
Emma Brecker
Edith Brisendine
Virginia Brown
Leona Bryant
Willis Bryant
Myrtle Bush
Margaret Carroll
Elwood Cheatham
Mary Ellen Clements
Rose Clutinger
Marie Coll
Beverly DeFabio
Louise Deutsch
Hedwig Diehl
Elizabeth Dorsey
Elizabeth Eggleton
Barbara Evans
Marie Everslage
Carl French
Rosamond Gibson
Sr. Mary C. Greenwell
Niles Hadden
Charles Hagmann
Clarence Hash
Myrtle Hasty
M.M.M. Henkel
Carrie Johnson
Clyde Jones
Dora Jones
Ethel Jones
Ida Mae Jones
Viola Kinman
Mary Kirchner
John Kraft
Edna Leavell
Lucy Lichtsteiner
Helen Love
Marie Lubber
Emma Lydon
Everett McClanahan
Hazel Parman
Nadine Paynter
Irene Phillips
Sallie Powell
Tess Ramsey

Mabel Salmon
Bess Saunders
Joseph Schaefer
Betty Short
Doris Singleton
Everlean Smith
Betty Stone
Maxine Weinberger
Rosemary Whalen
LaVerne Wilding
Jennie Williams
Verna Wright

MAY

Annette K. Abrams
Allen Alexander
Mellie Allen
Harriet Asman
Edna Bailey
Laura Bishop
Dorothy Bohannon
Velma Booth
Mary C. Brashear
Mildred Bullard
Jannie Mae Cage
Mary Carpini
John Clark
Verna Conlin
William Converse
Helen Crawford
Henry Culver
Martha Dattilo
Mary B. Davis
Louise Elder
Esther Espy
Nell Fischer
Sr. R. A. Fleischmann
Mary Gaubert
Helen Givens
Lucille Gordon
Quinnella Gray
Sr. Patricia Greeley
Merle Grove
Lorraine Harrod
Jack Hirschfield
Raymond Hubbard
Florence Huffman
Pearline Ingram
Cecilia Jones
Norman Jones
Corrine Knight

More Happy Birthdays ...

MAY

Doris King	Clara O'Bannon	William Schindler
Edna Koebel	Betty Oerther	Selma Seto
Vivian Kupchik	Emily Overberg	Isabelle Sherman
Elizabeth Lutz	Pearline Paul	Helen Simon
Pauline McGill	Lillian R. Perrault	Geraldine Smith
Mary McGraw	Roberta Profumo	Irvin Strauss
Mary McKenzie	Robley Rex	Helen Thumas
Izetta Mahoney	Iona Rhodes	Mary Torpey
Elizabeth Mehling	Howard Richburg	Frank White
Carl Metz	Jessie Robertson	Lillie White
Emily Rose Mickey	Doris Jean Ruccio	Margaret Wilhelmus
Mary H. Miles	Betty Rust	Callie Willis
Julia Nannie	Rebecca Sagalowsky	Dorothy Wilson
Eleanor Norrington	Robert Samuels	Justina Zinious

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

Mildred Ackerman	Charles Ferguson.	Jessie Moakler R
Anna Allgeier	Rosa Lee Givens R	Fern Oatson R
Clarina Anderson	Margaret Greer	Theodore Ploetner
George Andrews	Elizabeth Hagan	Billie Rarden
Beatrice Armstrong	Joseph Hamilton	Norma Ridge
Jayne BecVar	Corine Harrison	Robert Rhoads
Sigrid Berger	Kate Henning	Iona Rhodes
Thelma Blakemore R	Elizabeth Hickey	Vera May Sanders
Sr. Maria T. Braddock	Phillip Hickey	Rose Marie Senn
Josephine Brentzel R	Pearl Hoffmann	Jean Sharp R
Mayre Brewer	Mildred Jetter	Camilla Smith
Bruce Bryan	Virginia Jones	Hulda Stanfield
Dorothy Bryan	Harold Julsrud	John Stevenson
Verena Buren	Doris King	Arlene Tabor
Myrtle Burnley	Harriett LaForrest R	Audrey Tanner R
John Clark	Marcella Leverett	Mary Torpey
Anita Clemons	Marvin Likins	Catherine Veatch R
Carrie A. Coombs	Catherine Linette	Otis Ward
Elizabeth Dorsey	Barbara Markwell	Leona Wentzell R
Carl Durbin	Amelia Melton	Helen Wetherton
Kathryn Etheridge	F. C. Miller R	Rosemary Whalen

OOP's we goofed! We hope the birthdays of Beulah Shain, Thelma Blakemore, and Leona Wentzell omitted from the Decenber 1988 list in our last newsletter were happy, happy ones. We did not know that Mrs. Blakemore and Mrs. Wentzell had resumed volunteering after an absence of 90 days. Volunteers, please, let us know whenever you start volunteering again after an illness, a lengthy vacation, or caring for a loved one. Remember, that if you have no hours reported for 90 days, you are considered inactive. We apologize to long-time volunteer, Beulah Shain for missing her birthday in our Active Volunteer files.

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HERE'S GOOD NEWS FOR RSVP SITE DIRECTORS!

A special contribution has been made this year for the RSVP Luncheon so that RSVP Site Directors may have a complimentary ticket if they wish to attend.

RSVP plans to give a small token of our appreciation to the Site Directors at the Luncheon. We are very grateful for the records they keep of the thousands of hours that RSVP volunteers give to this community.

In 1988, RSVP volunteers gave 255,000 hours of service with a value of \$854,250 when measured at minimum wage level. The value would exceed \$1,000,000 if there were some way to measure the hours of professional service which hundreds of RSVP volunteers are giving.

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Advisory Council Welcomes New Faces

At their July 12 meeting, the RSVP Advisory Council welcomed five new members who were elected in April. It also honored the following council members whose terms of office had expired: Mary Beth Doheny, Jacky Gardner, Bill Johnston and Lucille Martin.

We shall miss the enthusiasm, talents, leadership and interest of these fine members, but we look forward to a close association with our new council members. Let us introduce you to them along with their former or current affiliation:

Mrs. Fredda Alexander, former school teacher; Mrs. Nancy Buddeke, chair of the Aging Interest Unit of the Junior League; Ms. Marjorie Jordan, retired Director of American Red Cross; Mr. Eugene Patrick, Regional Manager for Metro Parks; and Ms. Jean Tichenor, Coordinator of Volunteer Tutors for Jefferson County Public Schools.

Connie Quintavalle and Louise Grizzard will serve a second term as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.

In Memorium: We are very sorry that Jack Hirschfield, RSVP volunteer at Veterans Medical Center and member of the RSVP Council serving his second 3-year term, died on May 11, 1989. We shall miss Jack very much. He rarely missed a council meeting and enjoyed visiting RSVP Sites.

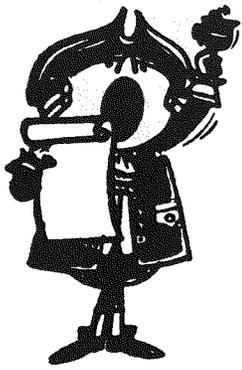


Photo Courtesy of The Newsweek

Our congratulations to Lois Zimbrich, RSVP Volunteer at Metro United Way's Southwest Resource Center, for being chosen a recipient of one of the prestigious Allen Society Community Service Awards.

The Society was formed last year to honor volunteers who have given extraordinary service to Metro United Way. It is named for Arthur and Charles Allen who were brothers and founders of the forerunner of United Way - the Louisville Federation of Social Agencies in 1917.

Mrs. Zimbrich was nominated by Theta Dixon, supervisor of Metro United Way's Southwest Resource Center for her 2,000 hours of service the past three years, and her dedication and invaluable assistance in the office. She acts as receptionist, greeting persons who come to the Center, as well as answering many phone calls from individuals and families who need help and referring them to agencies that can fulfill their needs. RSVP is proud of her!



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Calling Retirees to a New Life of Community Service

Jefferson County Adult Reading Program plans volunteer tutor training on August 11 and 18, and September 23 and 30. The two-day sessions are from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will be held at the Durrett Learning Center 4409 Preston Highway. Please call RSVP to register for this rewarding volunteer service.

Louisville Public Library Home Services Division is looking for volunteers to deliver books to residents of the Louisville Lutheran Home once-a-month. Books will be picked-up at the nearby Jeffersontown Branch and returned there. Call RSVP if you can help fulfill this need - 583-2821.

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen, located in St. Boniface School, needs more volunteers to help serve the hungry persons who come on Mondays and/or Tuesdays for a hot lunch. Hours are from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. You can join the corps of RSVP volunteers who are there 5 days a week to help less fortunate persons.

Salvation Army needs help with its year-round Clothes Closet on Friday afternoons. Located at 823 South Brook Street, it provides donated clothing to indigent people. Please call RSVP if you can help one or more Fridays.

Elementary Schools will need tutors for first and second grade children after classes are settled in late September/early October. RSVP tutors enjoy this one-to-one service and are usually placed at a school near their homes. Please call us if you are interested so that we may get you connected - 583-2821.

Bridgehaven, a therapeutic community for young people and adults, needs volunteers to help clients learn various social/homemaking skills. These include cooking, sewing, grocery shopping, recreation, etc. The agency is open from 8:30 to 5 every day and volunteers may select the hours convenient to them. Volunteer tutors also are needed to teach 3rd to 8th grade level in reading or math in two-hour sessions morning or afternoon. Call RSVP if you can help in any of these areas.

"Con Games and Scams" Can Hurt You

Recently, the RSVP Staff attended a conference in Lexington called "There's Gold in the Gray". Its seminars were designed for seniors in the areas of Medical Benefits, Financial Planning, Healthcare and Disease Prevention. Also, there were fun workshops - fitness, nutrition, voluntarism and ways to keep a positive attitude in your Golden Years.

Overall the Conference was a wealth of information but there was one topic we thought was timely and important to all of us - "Con Games and Scams". Here is what we learned of specific schemes used by con artists to swindle people out of thousands of dollars:

• Auto/Home Repairs: Some repair persons will tell you that you need more work than you actually do. Some will dismantle your furnace and claim you need a new one, or a mechanic may puncture a hose and tell you it must be replaced. ADVICE - Call the Better Business Bureau to find out if the company is reputable. Always get a second opinion from another auto mechanic or home repair person.

• Bait and Switch: Offers you an item at a specific price, but when they get your money, the item you receive is not of the same quality.

ADVICE - Don't accept merchandise which is not of the same quality that you ordered.

• Buying Property: Phony realtors will offer you land deals in other cities. They may even show you fancy brochures and offer incentives to lure you there. ADVICE - Deal only with reputable real estate agents by seeing everything in person before you buy.

• Catching a Thief: A Bank Impersonator will contact you and ask you to withdraw and hand over your money in order to catch a bank employee who is stealing.

ADVICE - Never participate, but get all the information you can and contact police and bank officials.

• Front Money/Investments: (Pigeon Drops)- A person with a "wonderful deal" may tell you how you can double or triple your money by loaning them yours.

ADVICE - Never participate but get as much information as possible and contact police.

• Obituary: Con artists will check the obituary columns and contact you stating your deceased relative has committed to buying something and you are expected to pay for it.

ADVICE - Tell them to contact your attorney; this will probably scare them off.

• Referral Sales: This is the type of scam in which a salesman will approach you with a product and ask you to submit the names of your friends whom they may contact.

ADVICE - Don't do your friends any favors by giving out their personal information.



It's the hours we give

to another's needs,

that make our own complete!



Over 800 of you
Grand Ballroom
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have given as m

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Hugh Finn, WAVE-TV3 Newscaster was a delightful Master of Ceremonies, and seemed to enjoy calling out the names of lucky door prize winners along with Sarah Richie, RSVP Director. We were pleased that Betsy Wells, the new State Director of ACTION, Inc. could be with us to extend her best wishes to all of you. The lovely Ice Sculpture in front of the Podium was a gift from the staff of the Galt House East.



A partial view of
where RSVP volunt
and Staff celebra

Connie Quintaval
Chair of the Adv
Council (right)
presents the 15-y
award to Emily Q
long-term volunte
Senior House.

Photo Courtesy of
John Hamlyn and I
Brooks.

Dwen Chester, RSVP Field Specialist and our newest staff member bends to give Mary Burgess, the talented artist of Senior House her 15 year award.

Mr. Brooks does a
kinds of professi
photography at re
able rates. Call
if you'd like his
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your group.

Memories of a Merry Day in May

and your friends gathered in the
of the Galt House East to accept our
abundance of wonderful service you
members of RSVP.

ed a scrumptious meal, great
verwhelming door prizes. An all-day
up the Ohio to Madison, Indiana,
meals, is just one example! Please
generous donors on the back page.



An inspirational address by Assistant Provost at U of L, Dr. Joseph McMillan described what volunteering does for the community and, most importantly, what it does for your own mental and physical well-being. Thanks, Dr. Mac!



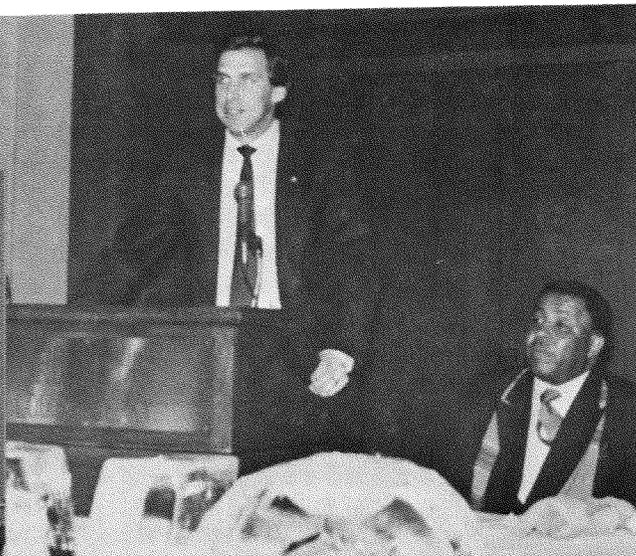
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Rob Reifsnyder, President of Metro United Way, RSVP's Sponsor, praised the eleven (11) Volunteers who received special awards for 15 years of continuing service to this community.

Happy Birthday Volunteers!

JUNE

Archie Anthony
Dewey Bailey
Genevieve Beavin
Edwina Beeler
Edgar Bonham, Jr.
Sr. Charlesine Bowling
Marie Boyd
Martha Burkhardt
Fannie Cassilly
Lawrence Coleman
Edward Conners, Jr.
Pauline Cook
Margaret Danner
Everett Denney
James Dettlinger
Bessie DeVore
Gertrude Diamond
Arthur Dillard, Jr.
Dorothy Drury
Catherine Duncan
Helen Eakin
Marge Eisner
Juanita Elkins
Donald Elliott
Mary Faller
Charles Fort
Douglas Fowler
Mary Glenn
Arthur Gohmann
Ruth Hardison
Corine Harrison
Junetta Harshaw
Virginia Helm
Mary R. Hettich
Laura Heverin
Jesse Hilton
Mary E. Hodge
Doretha Horrell
Sudie Huff
Marcella Johnson
Violet Kane
Gladys Keene
Evelyn Keller
Margaret Kinsinger
Harriett LaForrest
Anthony Lucchese
Clarise McCarter
Johnetta McReynolds
Harold Maier
Fannie Markey
Gladys Miller
Bessie Minton

Ruby Mollyhorn
Ina Morris
Eugene Noe
Emma Overby
Estill Parman
Frances Payne
Marie Petrali
Gilbert Rice
Hilda Saddler
Ethel Scheser
Bobbie Smith
Emma Smith
Ida Straub
Catherine Sullivan
Ida Sullivan
Mattie Taylor
Doris Thomas
Lina Tower
Bernard Trager
Rebecca Wathen
Dorothy White
Carolyn Zaepfel

JULY

Sr. Callitus Abell
George R. Andrews
Willa Mae Bailey
Pauline Banks
Beatrice Bartsch
Catherine Blansett
Sr. Maria T. Braddock
Frank Brown
Mary Burgess
Myrtle Burnley
John Carey
Sr. Mary P. Cassidy
Sr. Margaret Charlton
Anita Clemons
Jean Cohen
Hazel Conklin
Phyllis Covatta
Jessie Crady
Simon David
James Day
Mary Dettlinger
Ethel Dreher
Irene Emington
Florence Fields
Bernice French
Edward Gottbrath
Maurice Gould

Emma Gray
Clara Gregory
Roberta Hadley
Gertrude Hall
Margaret Hall
Lucille Harris
Virginia Head
Ruth Hedgepeth
Marie Hobbs
Mary Houston
Rose Hunter
Pauline Jackson
Robert Janes
Sr. Louis Jarboe
Ethel Johnson
M. Sue Johnson
Lucille Kamer
Mary R. Kamer
Avis Kettring
Marisse Lange
Mary LaPradd
Verna Leet
Martha Lowry
Mary McCarthy
Daisy McCormick
Mary McManus
Lucile Maddox
Dorothy Mallory
Marie Miller
Rose Miller
Gladys Moore
Esther Morton
Mary Newcomer
Charles Niehoff
Gertrude Peak
Lillie Pearson
Carolyn Peleske
Frances Richardson
Elizabeth Sauter
Elmer Sauter
Elizabeth Schaefer
Edwin Scharf
Francis Schnabel
Ray Schneller
Harold Schueler
Nellie Schwalk
Frances E. Scott
Etta Sears
Frank Smith
Hazel Smith
Joseph Sohm III
Robert Steinmetz

More Happy Birthdays ...

JULY

Ruth Steinmetz
John Stevenson
Zella Switzer
Cecil Talbott
Mary Taylor
Alice TenBarge
Ivan TenBarge
Josephine Vowels
Sr. Josephine Wathen
Estella Weatherby
Rudy Weppler
Frank Williams
Cecil Woods, Sr.
Jean Young
Catherine Yurt

Helen Crowe
Anna Davis
Coreaner Davis
Minnie Eastridge
Everdean Ferguson
Beatrice Gough
Sadye Grossman
Elizabeth Hall
Victoria Hayes
Helen Head
Lucille Henehan
Ann Herbig
Phillip Hickey
Addie Howard
Augusta Jefferies
Frances Kaelin
Edith Karcher
Mattie Kelley
Harry Klapheke
A. J. Lichtsteiner
Della Long
Estalyn Longhofer
Margaret Lorenzen
Emily Lutz
Zelpha Lyles
Robert McCormick
Al McCreary
Velma McKim
Helen Manning
Josephine Marina

Mary May
Amelia Melton
Cheri Metzger
F. C. Miller
Louise Mitchell
Mary Mitchell
Rose Moore
Fern Oatson
Alice Offutt
Pansy Olges
Virginia Perkins
Lucille Powell
Mary Reese
Dorothy Rosenbaum
Vera Sanders
Helen Schmitt
Joseph Schoene
Helen Schubnell
Carrie Shelburne
Betty Shrader
Edith Slayton
Florence Smith
Kate Spaulding
Ruth Stopher
McConnell Voss
Aline Weber
Edith Weber
Polly Wilder
James Wiseman
Olga Wiseman
Thelma Young

AUGUST

George Ashe
Wilma Baldwin
Mary Louise Boles
Marge Bradway
Ruth Brandt
William T. Brown
Frances Bufkin
Herman Bush
Ruth Cantor
William Chester, Jr.
Alene Cox
Dorothy Cox

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Marie Allen
Archie Anthony
Andrew Bell
Sallie Cowherd
Gladys Dulin
Katherine Groves
Jesse Haney
Blanche Harris
Marie Herbig
Laura Heverin
Essie Hubbard

Rose Hunter
Mary Johnson
Marge Klein
Edward Krebs
Marrisse Lange
Verna Leet
Antionette Leslie R
Cheri Metzger
Stella Miller
Evelyn Misbach
Robert Phillips

Gilbert Rice
James Ritchey
Ray Schneller
Helen Schubnell
Margaret Seidt
Delores Spencer
Bettie E. Trowell R
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These companies generously donated door prizes in order to make the RSVP Volunteer Recognition Luncheon even more special. PLEASE PATRONIZE THEM WHENEVER POSSIBLE TO SAY "THANKS"!

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 Derby Dinner Playhouse
 Erhler's
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 Galt House
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Louisville Zoological Gardens
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 Mamma Grisanti's
 Museum of History & Science
 Olan Mills Studio
 Otter Creek Park
 R. J. Corman Railroad Corp.
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 Red Lobster Inns
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Sweet Memories of a Merry Day in May



Hugh Finn, WAVE-TV3 Newscaster was a delightful Master of Ceremonies, and seemed to enjoy calling out the names of lucky door prize winners along with Sarah Richie, RSVP Director. We were pleased that Betsy Wells, the new State Director of ACTION, Inc. could be with us to extend her best wishes to all of you. The lovely Ice Sculpture in front of the Podium was a gift from the staff of the Galt House East.

Over 800 of you and your friends gathered in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House East to accept our thanks for the abundance of wonderful service you have given as members of RSVP.

Together we enjoyed a scrumptious meal, great music and some overwhelming door prizes. An all-day cruise for four up the Ohio to Madison, Indiana, including three meals, is just one example! Please see the list of generous donors on the back page.



An inspirational address by Assistant Provost at U of L, Dr. Joseph McMillan described what volunteering does for the community and, most importantly, what it does for your own mental and physical well-being. Thanks, Dr. Mac!



A partial view of the Galt House East Ballroom where RSVP volunteers, Advisory Council members and Staff celebrated together.

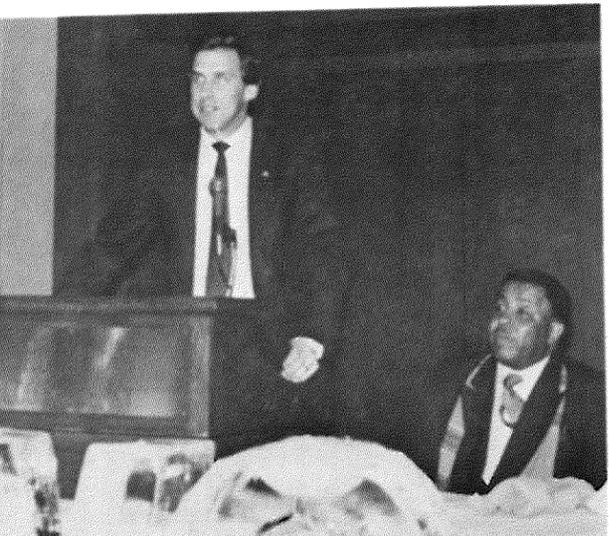


Dwen Chester, RSVP Field Specialist and our newest staff member bends to give Mary Burgess, the talented artist of Senior House her 15 year award.

Connie Quintavalle, Chair of the Advisory Council (right) presents the 15-year award to Emily Quan, long-term volunteer at Senior House.

Photo Courtesy of: John Hamlyn and Bass Brooks.

Mr. Brooks does all kinds of professional photography at reasonable rates. Call RSVP if you'd like his number for yourself or your group.



Rob Reifsnnyder, President of Metro United Way, RSVP's Sponsor, praised the eleven (11) Volunteers who received special awards for 15 years of continuing service to this community.

RSVP Action Line

VOL. 11 NO. 3 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - FALL 1989

Two RSVP Volunteers Receive Bell Awards

At a gala banquet and live broadcast the evening of September 27, two RSVP volunteers were among the ten recipients of the prestigious Bell Awards presented by WLKY-TV's "Spirit of Louisville Foundation". Ruth Lowe, president of the Senior House Membership Club and John Duerr who volunteers for the Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) were nominated by their respective agencies for this honor.

Both honorees have passed their 80th birthdays and they tell us that volunteering to help others less fortunate than themselves "is a reward in itself" - a way to keep young in mind, body and spirit.

Ruth Lowe not only heads the Senior House group, but she also volunteers for the Home of the Innocents and the Salvation Army. Her work in beautifying the Senior House courtyard has left it a serene place for meditating - a lovely place for an afternoon tea. Mrs. Lowe's sense of caring for the welfare of others includes her visits to the sick and shut-ins, as well as her invitations to those without families to join her for holiday meals and celebrations. RSVP counts her among its most dedicated volunteers.

John Duerr joined RSVP in 1981 to deliver mobile meals to shut-ins and to volunteer at VAMC. Currently, he devotes his time to the "Escort Service" where volunteers deliver mail, patients' charts, X-rays and lab specimens throughout the hospital. They also escort patients to physical and occupational therapy.



WLKY's Mike Shuh escorts Ruth Lowe while John Duerr awaits his turn.

The miles that volunteers walk in this huge medical center must give them extraordinary vigor. Duerr's average hours each month which is far above the usual volunteer commitment amount to 232 hours of service.

RSVP salutes Ruth Lowe and John Duerr and feels they richly deserve to be Bell Award recipients who reflect the "Spirit of Louisville". They join nine previous RSVP volunteers who have received this honor. Metro United Way staff who attended the Bell Award celebration included Rob Reifsnnyder, President, Mary Sullivan, Volunteer Programs Director, Sarah Richie, Director of RSVP and Dwen Chester, RSVP Field Specialist.

MUW's Goal Meets Critical Needs

Metro United Way held its festive "Premiere" Kick-off for the 1989 Campaign on September 6 at the McCauley Theatre. Leonard Hardin, Chief Executive Officer of First National Bank and this year's Campaign Chairman announced a goal of \$16,700,000 - a whopping increase of 9% over last year!

Hardin pointed out three major human service needs which United Way will address this year: preventing family homelessness; providing affordable child care and helping troubled youth. Pace-Setter companies which held early campaigns were praised for their 24% increase in giving that amounted to 2.17 million dollars.

A mid-campaign report made at the "Intermission" rally on October 10 at Actors Theatre showed United Way had reached 48% of goal. A "Victory Finale" will be held November 15 at the Kentucky Center for the Arts. Our special thanks go to RSVP volunteers who have helped with campaign mailings, put together United Way pins, sorted pledge cards, etc. Your good works were truly appreciated.

Liberty National Bank and Trust has asked Metro United Way to administer the fund it has established for the employees and families of victims affected by the Standard Gravure tragedy. If you would like to contribute to this fund, you may do so at any Liberty National Bank, or you may send a check or money order to: Standard Gravure Fund c/o Liberty National Bank P.O. Box 94191, Louisville, KY 40294.



Doris Baker is a member of the RSVP core of literacy tutors who volunteer at the Jefferson County Public Schools' Adult Learning Centers. Recently, she was honored for her successful efforts to prepare her student for the examination required of those who wish to become American citizens.

Pictured above are Mrs. Baker and Kob Tabbutt, a native of Thailand who was thrilled that she passed her Naturalization Test. Becoming a citizen is not the end goal for this eager young student who is continuing her studies with Mrs. Baker at the Jeffersontown High School Center.

The need for dedicated volunteer tutors is on going as more and more persons seek to improve their reading and writing skills and to obtain their GED certification. You can be a part of this service by taking the tutor training offered by JCPS.

The next sessions are scheduled for November 11 and November 18 at the Durrett Learning Center, 4409 Preston Highway. Classes are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with an hour lunch-break. Please call RSVP to register.

RSVP Council Member Honored

We can't think of a more deserving person than Charles Dibowski, RSVP Advisory Council member who was named "Senior Male Volunteer of the Year" at a luncheon and dance in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House East on September 22. Great music was provided by Bob Hope and the Prime Time Band. The affair was the last of a week's events for Seniors, celebrating their "Autumn Years". Sponsored by Jewish Hospital's Colonel Harland Sanders Center and the county Office of Aging, former State Senator Georgia Powers was chosen the "Senior Female Volunteer of the Year".

Dibowski needs no introduction for he has served Jefferson County Government for 35 years - twelve of them as Director of the Office of Aging and Handicapped. When he retired a few years ago, no one guessed how involved he would become as a volunteer. His years of experience in the Human Services arena have enabled him to be a valuable asset to agency boards and councils, including many United Way committees. We do not know of anyone who has greater knowledge of human needs, especially those of older persons than Charles Dibowski, and all of us extend our congratulations to him.

We always rejoice whenever an RSVP member receives an award or some special recognition. However, we would be even more pleased if you would let the world know that you are a member of RSVP! So please, when something eventful happens in your life, let everyone know that you are an RSVP volunteer.

We are proud to have you as a member of RSVP and of the hours of service you give to your community, and we want to let everyone know just how great you are.



Recently, Corinne Kern, RSVP volunteer since 1977, was judged the "Best Bathing Beauty" in a contest featuring old-time bathing suits. The event was a part of the Deer Park Neighborhood Association's "Salute to Seniors". Mrs. Kern is a volunteer at Zion United Church of Christ and a member of a group of faithful RSVP volunteers who have helped many agencies through the years. These include the American Cancer Society where they made dressings for cancer patients; the Jefferson County Public Schools for whom they have assembled thousands of "Skinny Books", Math Kits, Writing Booklets and other teaching tools.

Mrs. Kern's record of service is a continuous one for the past twelve year, and RSVP salutes her now for being the "Best Bathing Beauty" of Deer Park!

In Memorium: The recent deaths of Jean Bocko, director of Metro Senior Division and of Ronnie Clark, manager of St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen are a sorrowful loss to this community and to RSVP. We surely will miss them both.

Welcome Aboard RSVP's Volunteer Express !



RSVP WELCOMES FIVE NEW STATIONS, LISTED BELOW. YOU WILL FIND A VARIETY OF NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, SO EXAMINE THEM CAREFULLY.

BASHFORD EAST HEALTH CARE is looking for volunteers to disburse mail, address envelopes, assist with bingo, serve refreshments, and visit with residents.

FRIENDS-PRESCHOOL is recruiting volunteers to work with special needs children ages 12 - 24 months who have developmental delays. Training is provided.

The KENTUCKY CENTER FOR THE ARTS has requested volunteers to serve as ushers, greeters, ticket takers, and coatroom attendants. The Center also needs tour guides and clerical assistants.

KINGS DAUGHTERS & SONS HOME is seeking volunteers to assist with recreational activities. In addition, Friendly Visitors and people to read and write letters for residents are also needed.

PLEASANT GROVE COUNSELING CENTER needs a receptionist to help with administrative duties. A Program Coordinator who will be in charge of admissions, consultations, and reporting procedures to the Hall of Justice, are also needed.

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OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mobile Meal Drivers are desperately needed at SOUTH LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES, JEFFERSONTOWN SENIOR CENTER, and in the JEFFERSON COUNTY DEPARTMENT FOR HUMAN SERVICES' Mobile Meals program.

A Receptionist is needed on Fridays at the DREAM FACTORY. Training is provided.

ST. ANTHONY/ST. BONIFACE SOUP KITCHEN has a dire need for help on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 p.m.

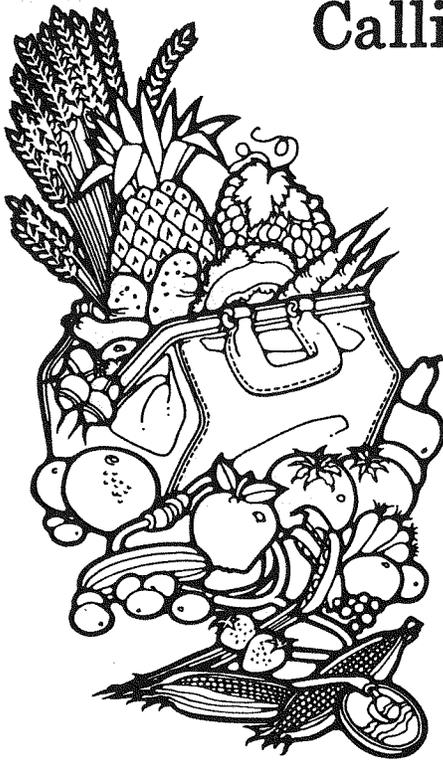
Volunteers are needed at the SHAWNEE NUTRITION CENTER weekdays from 10:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

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If you would like to volunteer at any of the new stations or fill one of the current vacancies, or if you would like to enroll in the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, call 583-2821, TODAY!!!

Get Involved NOW !

Calling Volunteers for Special Service !



MANY AGENCIES HAVE BEGUN PREPARING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS. THIS MEANS THAT VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED TO ASSIST IN A HOST OF AREAS. IT ALSO MEANS THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A LOT OF FUN WHILE BRINGING A GREAT DEAL OF JOY TO MANY PEOPLE'S LIVES. LISTED BELOW ARE SOME OF THE PLANNED EVENTS:

DARE TO CARE is gearing up for its Fall Food Drive. Volunteers are needed to pass out literature at area Kroger Stores. Two-hour shifts will be set up for the following days: October 27th, 28th, and 29th; and November 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

Contact Diane Miller at Dare to Care at 966-3821, to sign up.

The SALVATION ARMY has a variety of fun volunteer needs. Special activities are planned for the holidays and your help is critically needed to ensure that all events run as smoothly as possible. You can choose to be on "Santa's Team" and serve in the Salvation Army's Toy Shop where parents and their children get to pick out Christmas Toys. Or, you can help prepare scrumptuous meals and serve them to indigent and homeless people on Thanksgiving and Christmas Days. This is only a drop-in-the-bucket of things you can do, so contact Judy Platt at the Salvation Army at 587-0010, for a listing of all the worthwhile opportunities you and your friends can participate in.

MORE OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE AS THE HOLIDAYS NEAR. CALL THE RSVP OFFICE FOR UPDATES AT 583-2821.

AS A REMINDER.....

ALWAYS REPORT YOUR SEASONAL SERVICE HOURS DIRECTLY TO THE RSVP OFFICE TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE GETTING CREDIT FOR ALL THE WONDERFUL WORK YOU ARE DOING.



Happy Birthday Volunteers!

SEPTEMBER

Ernest Aldridge
Clay Allen
Doris Baker
Thomas Bean
Andrew Bell
Joanne Benim
Alyne Bradshaw
Mayre Brewer
Margaret Donoho
Robert Dryden
John Duerr
Ethel Duvall
Robert Edger
Virginia Elliott
Margaret Ferguson
Louise Garrett
Jamesetta Gilkey
Mary Gillis
Anna Griffin
Katherine Groves
Joseph Hamilton
Jesse Haney
George Hans
Juanita Hans
Frances Hardeman
Frances Haskell
Ersula Hayes
William Heffren
Ida Hertz
John Hettinger
Eva Holloway
Norman Horner
Bennie Howell
Dorothy Ingram
Carolyn Ising
Bernice Jackson
Mildred Jetter
Josephine Johnson
Luevenia Johnson
Mary Johnson
Winifred Johnson
Irene King
Mora Lee King
F. C. Kintler
Mary C. Klein
Nadine Knight
Carl Long
Regina Lyons
Mary McCamish
Nellie McCoy
Alice McDougal
Ben Marks
Fannie Marsee

Catherine Martin
Caroline Miller
Meta Miller
Virginia Pellman
Clara Pfaadt
Robert Phillips
Frances Powell
Andrew Purcell
Emily Quan
Ethel Quesenberry
Mary Quinker
Mary Riggs
Leona Robins
Martha Rueff
Magdalene Scharfenberger
Elizabeth Schmitt
Florence Schulz
Virginia Schupp
Marian Schwind
Miriam Sherman
Ruby Shull
Zara Siebe
Dorothy Stone
Verna Storms
Mary Summers
Sr. Agnes B. Thall
Earl Thomas
Thelma Vardeman
Anna Walker
Mary White
Ruth Woods
Aileen Wright
Carrie Zaring

OCTOBER

Mildred Ackerman
Susie Allensworth
Anna Allgeier
Clarence Barnes
Mary Lucille Berry
Viola Blevins
Laura Brooks
Geneva Brown
Mary Browning
Katherine Buck
Virginia Bunnell
Mary Cambron
Dorothy Carnahan
Carrie Coombs
Mary Crutcher
Emmy Kate David
Elta Rae Davis

Lee Dentinger
Frances Dever
Dorothy Durant
Adell Durant
Martine Elder
Mollie Ellis
Kathryn Etheridge
Charles Ferguson
Marjorie Ferris
Norbert Fichteman
Mary Rose Filburn
Hilda Filley
Blanche Gailbreath
Dora Gamble
Margaret Greer
Hazel Griffin
Mildred Hardin
Margie Harper
Ardella Heim
Kate Henning
Irene Hoskinson
Edmonia Howard
Martelle Janes
Harald Julsrud
Kenneth Kessler
Ann Klein
George Link
Louise McDaniel
Elmer Matheny
Anne Merce
Gladys Minyard
Joseph Miller
Juanita Moore
Alfred Moss
Irene Mueller
Mossie Neal
Woodrow North
Mary Olges
Robert Payne
Howard Paynter
Louise Payton
Leona Pratt
Elizabeth Rheinlaender
Josephine Richards
Ann Ruhl
Vivian Sadler
Alma Schehr
Loretta Schneider
Mary Schneider
Edith Schuler
Leonard Shull
A. G. Spizzirri
Donnie C. Stammerman

More Happy Birthdays ...

Mary Steier
Lillie Mae Stover
Merle Stueve
Roberta Teague
Eloise Terry
Herbert Townsend
Bertie Troutman
Catherine Veatch
Rose Wacker
Betty Walsh
Charles Watson
Marie Weckman
Ella Whalin
Margaret Wheatley
Agnes White
Ann White
Marie Wilcox
George Worland

NOVEMBER

Beatrice Armstrong
Effie Baker
Sr. Adelaide Barber
Alma Belew
Margaret Below
David Bald
Preston Boyd
Charles Braehler
Rosa Brown
Loretta Burch

Lowrene Carothers
Elizabeth Coleman
Nancy Coleman
Opal Conklin
Wilhelmina Cummings
Margaret Donahue
Mildred Franck
Virginia Fulton
Calvin Gatton
Elizabeth Hagan
Sr. Mary Haggerty
Sr. Janice Hamilton
Alice Helmelt
Elizabeth Hickey
Lottie Higgins
Janice Hurd
Virginia Jones
Anthony Kaelin
Carrie Kavich
Margaret Kayrouz
Katie Kidwell
Marge Klein
Dorothy Kramer
Emmart LaCrosse
Mabel McClain
Katie McGill
Evelyn Mathely
Leona Meiners
Florence Miller
Sue Moss
John Mueller

Joyce Newman
Loretta Niebauer
Mildred O'Brien
Lucille Offutt
Annalee Pollock
Jesse Randle
Margaret Raque
Ida Mae Rigdon
James Ritchey
Ruth Roppel
Coleman Sadler
Martin Saper
Alberta Schaeftlein
Ruby Schmidt
Frances Schueler
Nettie Shahadey
Harold Snover
Margaret Spurling
Aileen Stevenson
Mary Taylor
Alean Uselton
Betty Watson
Grace Webb
Irene Welch
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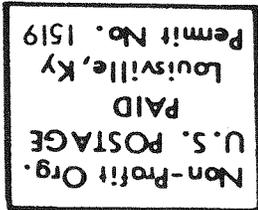
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Alene Bryant (R)
Nancy Coleman
Robert Crumpler
Lee Dentinger
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Mildred Franck
Alice Gardener
Louise Garrett
Gladys Gast
Maxine Goldstein
Lucille Gordon (R)
Vern Groth
Juanita Hans
Charles Harbin

Mary High
Melvin High
Lillian Hynson
Francis James
Martelle Janes
Mildred Jetter
Majorie Jordan
Margaret Kayrouz
Lillie Kohler
Ada Lage
James Lewis
Barbara Markwell
Elmer Matheny
Oralee Meador
Amelia Melton
Dorothy Miller
Edna Miller
Christine Neal
Gladys Nesbitt

James Peak
Elizabeth Pendleton (R)
Emily Posto
Talitha Powell
Dorothy Rhode (R)
James Richard
Bernard Schoenbachler
Helen Schoenbachler
Mildred Scovil
Selma Seto (R)
Hazel Steff
Leo Stottman
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A Special Message for Active Volunteers

HELP! We have discovered that many of you, who have had no service hours reported for 100 days or more, are indeed active volunteers.

Please see that your Site Director is aware of your hours of service each month, so that we won't have to put you on our inactive list where you are not covered by RSVP benefits.

RSVP's budget is based on the number of active volunteers and their hours of voluntary service. Some of the funds we receive from ACTION, Inc. cover the insurance premiums we must pay for each of you; the annual Recognition of Volunteers; the reimbursement of volunteer expenses where needed; the publication of a quarterly Newsletter and the general maintenance of this volunteer program.

So, please help us keep your records up-to-date. We will appreciate it very much!

RSVP Action Line

VOL.10 NO.4 THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, METRO UNITED WAY - WINTER 1989

From: Sarah's Desk

The Recipe for a Happy New Year

We've often suspected that RSVP members who volunteer regularly year after year are healthier, both mentally and physically, and are happier than their fellow citizens who choose to play, or to do little or nothing after retiring. Now, recent studies from several geriatric-centers-of-learning confirm our theory. RSVP volunteers truly have the recipe for a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

When we compile the Birthday lists for the ACTION LINE each quarter, we always are astounded at how many of you have been serving this community for five, ten, and going on 17 years! It's even longer for you whose volunteer service began before you reached RSVP's entry age of 60 years.

We know from reports of your Site Directors how much they appreciate your faithful, ongoing service, and so do we. If you have friends who have recently retired, or whose children left them with an "empty nest", please give them your recipe for a healthy, happy New Year - the joy you find in helping others.

"Sense and Nonsense"

Alean Uselton, the Poet of Portland, has had a lovely book of her poems published by the Portland Museum. It's a remarkable story of her life beginning years ago when she first went to work at Brown & Williamson, along with personal poems about family and children, her travels and her volunteer service. We applaud this charter member of RSVP for this marvelous legacy to all of us!



RSVP Receives Literacy Award

It was a pleasant surprise to learn that Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Education Department had nominated RSVP for an award for our efforts to recruit volunteer tutors. The Kentucky Association of Continuing Education (KACE) presented RSVP a most handsome brass-on-wood plaque at its annual banquet, November 17, 1988.

Our success is due really to the commitment that RSVP Reading and GED tutors have made towards opening new worlds for their students. We only wish we could "clone" this lovely plaque so that each of you would have a token of our appreciation for your volunteer service to the literacy programs. With the help of many others like you in almost every district of the Commonwealth, we will see Kentucky ranked as a literate state one future day.

If you know parents of young children, tell them about the special Saturday morning programs at Shelby, Shawnee and Valley branch libraries for parent(s) and pre-schoolers. They should call 634-9231 for more information.



HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

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

**VERY SPECIAL
ANNOUNCEMENT**

THE GRAYING OF AMERICA - WHAT IT MEANS

National demographic data shows that more and more Americans are living into their 80's, 90's and beyond, but there is no prediction of how many older persons will need Home Health Care, Homemaking services and, most of all, just one hot meal a day.

In Louisville, there already are many shut-ins who need these services, but there are, also, too few funds, too few agency personnel and too few volunteers to meet their critical needs.

RSVP is especially proud of its 96 Mobile Meal volunteers who now help deliver hot meals to 650 home-bound persons in nearly every area of Jefferson County. Some volunteer 1 or 2 days each week; others can commit to only 1 or 2 days per month, but all of them face snow, ice and winter cold, as well as smog, rain and summer heat to see that the meals are delivered. We salute each and every one of them!

If your present volunteer service allows you to make an additional commitment to the Mobile Meal Program, please call RSVP at 583-2821. Volunteers are needed especially in the Highlands, South Louisville, the Westend and Portland, the inner city and eastern Jefferson County, so please tell your church members, your friends and neighbors of all ages that there is a way they can make a difference in the lives of people less fortunate than themselves. It only costs an hour or two a week!

You also can reach out to disadvantaged persons by joining the corps of RSVP volunteers at St. Anthony Soup Kitchen. Located in the former St. Boniface school, the volunteer crews help prepare and serve hot noon meals to over 150 hungry, homeless people each day. More volunteers willing to share their own good fortune from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on a weekday are essential towards meeting this need in our community.

DARE TO CARE, the agency which alleviates hunger all around the county relies on Volunteers in every facet of its operation. RSVP needs retirees who drive and are full of vigor to help make a difference in the lives of many families who have fallen on hard times. Call us at 583-2821 to help feed the hungry in Louisville

Metro United Way Tops Goal

The big climax came at the end of Campaign '88 when pledges tallied \$15 million (the Goal) plus \$342,000 - an increase in giving of 12%! A gala Victory Dinner at L'Esprit Centre in LaGrange celebrated this second largest increase in giving in 25 years.

Rob Reifsnnyder, President of Metro United Way and Ina Brown Johnson, the Campaign '88 Chair praised the 100's of volunteers who have now made it possible for MUW to support 80 human service agencies in the metro area. Thanks again, RSVP members for your volunteer service and your support of United Way - you helped make a difference!

RSVP welcomes Ms. Betsy Wells who has been appointed Kentucky State Director of ACTION, Inc., taking the place of Irv Cheney who has retired. She comes to Louisville on February 1 from Florida where she has been State Program Specialist. We, at RSVP, look forward to meeting her and working with her to meet our goals and objectives.

We know many volunteers and Site Directors will miss the caring concern of Mae Crump, RSVP Field Specialist who has resigned. All of us at United Way wish her well. On January 18th RSVP's new staff member, Dwendolyn Chester came aboard to fill this vacancy. We hope you will welcome Dwen who comes to us highly recommended by all who have worked with her. We plan to profile her in the next issue of ACTION LINE.



Edna Bailey, right above, aids a new friend.

Peer Counselors Give Caring Service

When Seven Counties Services made an appeal last Spring for healthy older persons to counsel and assist other seniors with problems, RSVP volunteer, Edna Bailey took the training to learn how to listen and to advise the lonely, isolated persons confronted with distressing situations.

Now, two widows rely on her for financial management assistance, help with grocery shopping, getting to medical appointments and for just being a friend. Seven Counties tells us that Mrs. Bailey is one of their top Peer Counselors and that they'd like to have more like her at their next training session late this spring. Let RSVP know if you'd like to be a Peer Counselor too.

Senior House, Inc. is the Sponsor of the Senior Companion Program which is new to Louisville this year and also funded by ACTION, Inc. Jean Huettig, director is seeking more "Companions" for the frail elderly so that they may remain in their own homes. Please call her at 587-8673 for details.

Happy Birthday Volunteers!

NOVEMBER

Effie Baker
David Bald
Sr. Adelaide Barber
Alma Belew
Margaret Below
James Bidwell
Preston Boyd
Charles Braehler
Rose Brown
Lowrene Carothers
Elizabeth Coleman
Opal Conklin
Wilhelmina Cummings
Margaret Donahue
Virginia Fulton
Piccolla Garr
Odis Garvin
Calvin Gatton
Sr. Mary B. Haggerty
Sr. Janice Hamilton
Alice Helmel
Lottie Higgins
Janice Hurd
Anthony Kaelin
Mary Kaplan
Carrie Kavich
Katie Kidwell
Dorothy Kremer
Enmart La Crosse
Mabel McClain
Katie McGill
Evelyn Mathely
Leona Meiners
Josephine Meredith
Florence Miller
Bertha Mills
Sue Moss
John Mueller
Joyce Newman
Loretta Niebauer
Mildred O'Brien
Lucille Offutt
Annalee Pollock
Jessie Randle
Margaret Raque
Ida Rigdon
Helen Ritter
Ruth Roppel
Coleman Sadler
Martin Saper
Alberta Schaeftlein
Ruby Schmidt

Frances Schueler
Nettie Shaahadey
Owen Shrader
Sr. Margaret A. Smith
Harold Snover
Margaret Spurling
Aileen Stevenson
Mary E. Taylor
Alean Uselton
Betty Watson
Irene Welch
Sr. Jean West
Bernice Wiggins
Kenneth Wilding
Thelma Will
A. W. Willard
Florine Williams
Raymond Wisehart

DECEMBER

Sr. Naomi Aull
Aline Baldwin
Dora Beard
Lucienne Bookout
Dorothy Borders
Mary Brown
Pauline Brown
Kitty Brownell
Marvin Butler
Barbara Carr
Louise Clark
Mattie Correro
Beulah Cowherd
Sr. Lucille Cruz
Mary Daub
Nellie Denney
Betty DeWitt
Nancy Ditsler
Ruby Dockery
Leona Elsler
Beulah Elzie
Robert Ewing
Annette Exley
Sr. Mary Fedler
Lida Gibson
Sara Gillespie
Joella Goodman
Frank Hardeman
Evelyn Hardman
Marie Hash
Edith Haynes

Catherine Koch
Henrietta Koshewa
Mary Krahl
Catherine Krebs
Mary McCulloch
Alice L. Martin
Hannah Mather
Harold Miller
Ida Miller
Marie M. Miller
William Morris
Alice Morrow
Anna B. Owens
Bonnie Parris
Ralph Peak
Nell Philpott
Shirley Poore
Ernest Spencer
Emil Stauble
Mary Catherine Sullivan
Mary Thomas
Marie VanderEspt
Theresa Voza
Betty Weber
Clara Welch
Andrew Whaley
Antoinette Wheatley
Henrietta White
Lela Wiseman

JANUARY

Irene Antill
Frances Arehart
Sr. Thomas Augermeier
Bertha Austin
Blanche Ayres
Mildred Barker
Helen Batts
Bro. John Beary
Cornelia Boone
Alice Brock
Barbara Brooks
Ernestine Cassidy
Maggie Chaney
Sr. Frances B. Clark
Grovarnia Conner
Mary C. Cook
Ethel Coomes
Celeste Cope
Bessie Courtney

More Happy Birthdays ...

Martha Crain
Donald Dissly
Ruth Dodd
Georgia Farris
Flossie Ferguson
Willie Fitzpatrick
Ruby Foreman
Georgia Frankhouser
Charles Gagel
Bessie Geary
Georgetta Goffner
Sallie Gosline
Nina Gottbrath
Jennie Grace
Louise Grizzard
Janie Harris
Minnie Henry
Fay Hiatt
Alvin Hickerson
Martha Hickerson

Gabrielle Hoffman
Victoria Hogan
Ellis Jackson
Laura Jackson
Helen Jenne
Charles Johnson
Mary L. Johnson
William Johnston
Lucile Leggett
James Lewis
Thera Love
Ruth Lowe
Mary Lukes
Martha Lukins
Mary McCauley
Hattie McElroy
Louise Malone
Anna Mappin
Christina Merimee
Dorothy Miles
Lucille Million
Catherine Moorman

Edmund Mount
William Murdock
Laura Obernier
Mary O'Brien
Florence Ochsner
Jeanetta Paulin
Edward Powell
Fern Rachford
Susie Rickett
Thurman Royalty
Beulah Shain
Frances Silliman
Florence Simmons
Leslie Stokes
Katherine Theobald
Charles Wall
Abe Weiss
Charlie Winter
Nellie Young
Helen Zimmerman

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

Ernest Aldridge
Sr. Naomi Aull
Beatrice Baker
Edwina Beeler R
Geneva Brown
Charles Casper
Bessie Courtney
Martha Dattilo
Sr. Charles A. DeNardi
Margaret Donahue
Helen Eakin
Gertrude Hall
Emmit Haynes
Martha Henkel
Victoria Hogan

Sudie Huff
Helen Huffman
Virginia Hunt
Kenneth Kessler
Ann Klein
Bernadette Krebs
Mary LaPradd R
James R. Lewis
Della Long
Helen Lyons
Anna Mappin
Josephine Marina
Velma McKim
Josephine Meredith
Bertha Mills

Joyce Newman R
Laura Obernier
Anne-Marie O'Connell
Loretta Schneider
Mildred Scovil
Selma Seto
Carrie Shelburne
Betty Shrader
Owen Shrader
Lois Taylor
Mary Taylor
Sr. Josephine Wathen
Rebecca Wathen
Abe Weiss
Clara Welch
Madeline Williamson

An Important Message to RSVP Volunteers: We are always delighted when we learn that you have added to your volunteer service at an agency other than where we have you registered. If you are making an additional commitment, please, please let us know. If your new service is an RSVP site, we will ask the volunteer coordinator to add you to his/her list; if the agency is not an RSVP site, we may arrange an agreement so your hours can be reported to us. We are glad so many of you are trying new arenas, and we'd like to give you credit for your additional service. Remember, no church related nor politically oriented service can be counted. Sorry.



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Kentucky to Honor Volunteers

April will be "Volunteer Awareness Month" in Kentucky, and Norma Johnson, Executive Director of the Kentucky Office of Volunteer Services, plans to post the names of volunteers from each county around the rotunda of the State Capitol. RSVP has submitted names of over 1,000 of its members, so if you're in Frankfort this Spring, look for your name on display. (We're sorry that volunteers who have registered after our early January deadline will not be there, but we'll surely count you in next year!)

Charles Gagel, RSVP volunteer for JADAC, who was our nominee for the Governor's Volunteer Activist Award has been invited to a reception in Frankfort to honor the nominees from around the Commonwealth. We are glad he will share in this appreciation of volunteers who make a difference in many lives.

Elderhostel Equals Adventure/Learning

Elderhostel is a national program of educational opportunities for persons 55 and over available at colleges across the nation during the summer months at reduced rates. Five day programs include topics such as music, the arts and sciences, history and other subjects taught at college level but without exams, tests, etc.

Now, the Kentucky State Park system has established Elderhostel programs for seniors at its parks during the winter months when there are many vacancies. Five other states and some national parks have also added the program to their winter schedules too. For information about classes and locations call Dr. Alice Brown at 606-257-8269. The Kentucky State Parks Department is 1-564-5410.

