

Senior Corps-RSVP Newsletter

Lead With Experience!

Summer 2012

Can you believe another year has come and gone? I hope this newsletter finds you well and out enjoying the beautiful Pennsylvania weather! A special welcome goes out to all the new volunteers who recently joined the Senior Corps-RSVP. We just keep growing and growing! See the list of new volunteers on page two and check out page three for this year's Service Projects! We hope all RSVP members will participate.

Are you looking for another volunteer opportunity? Check out the opportunities on page six. There are many organizations that could use your volunteer assistance. Remember, page six is only a partial listing. If you don't see anything that interests you, please call the Senior Corps-RSVP Office and we will be glad to help you find something to suit you. We have a lot of fun and exciting projects needing your skills and expertise.

It is that time of year again when we all come together to celebrate **YOU, our Volunteer Angels!** Be sure to check out page four for your invitation to the spectacular celebration! **If you are an active volunteer or a volunteer station representative, your lunch is FREE.** If you are not an active volunteer or if you wish to bring a guest the cost is \$18 per person to cover the cost of the meal. If you are not able to attend the luncheon in the particular county where you live or volunteer you are more than welcome to come to one of the other luncheons.

NEW this year! The Senior Corps-RSVP Advisory Council will be having a basket auction at each luncheon and you will be able to purchase tickets at the events for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. You will have a chance to win some great prizes!

The time has also come for us to select an **exceptional volunteer** for the **2012 Volunteer of the Year Award!** **Station Managers and volunteers, don't forget to send in your nomination(s) by August 31st.** You will find the nomination form on page five of this newsletter. Feel free to make copies of the form and nominate as many volunteers as you wish. Let the volunteers know you appreciate all they do. The winner will be selected by the Senior Corps-RSVP Advisory Council and will be recognized at our annual luncheons for their excellence, dedication and commitment to our communities. There will be **one** Volunteer of the Year chosen from each county. **Send in your nominations today!**

I have great hopes all of you will attend this spectacular event as we celebrate YOU and 41 years of service for the Senior Corps-RSVP Project.

Have a wonderful summer!

Janeen Love

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Making service an expectation for all

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www.iccap.org**

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**Robert A. Cardamone
Executive Director**

Welcome!

New Senior Corps-RSVP Members

Christine Adams	Hazel McDivitt
Mary Bartley	Barbara McGee
Susan Berlin	Daniel Miller
Norma Biehl	Margaret Mortimer
Louise Fenstermaker	Melvin Schreckengost
Jodie Gilchrist	Catherine Sherry
Janet Gourley	Haley Skinner
Norma Haggerty	Lois Skinner
Rae Hetrick	Mary Lou Stake
Doris Hicks	JoAnne Stevenson
John James	Gloria Sullivan
Mary Beth Lynch	Barbara Weyand
Betty Marchiori	Nancy Wingert
Karen McCall	Joan Winkler

WANTED!!!

The Senior Corps-RSVP Advisory Council is looking for representatives from Clarion and Indiana Counties to serve on the Senior Corps-RSVP Advisory Council.

Advisory Council members serve a two year term and assist with planning service project activities, fundraising and recognition events. Advisory Council members do not need to be 55 or older; anyone 18 years of age or older are eligible to serve. The Advisory Council meets a minimum of six times per fiscal year.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on the Senior Corps-RSVP Advisory Council, please call our office at (814) 938-3302 or 1-800-648-3381, ext. 236 or e-mail volunteer@jccap.org for an application and details.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US!



Senior Corps-RSVP is a participating member agency of the Brookville Area United Fund.

Just a reminder...

It is important to send your volunteer hours in to our office each month. If you don't tell us about the great work you are doing, we don't know about it. If we don't know about it, you might miss out on benefits such as the personal liability and excess automobile liability insurance and special events. Don't forget to report all of your hours to the Senior Corps-RSVP Office so we can keep our records accurate. Hours can now be sent via e-mail to jlove@jccap.org. We also enjoy giving hours of service awards at our Annual Recognition Luncheons!

Send in those hours, please!



If you need hour sheets, contact the Senior Corps-RSVP office.

The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves.

~Helen Keller



ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETINGS

November 16, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.
Pine Street Senior Social Center,
Punxsutawney

January 18, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.
Pine Street Senior Social Center,
Punxsutawney

Everyone is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Please call our office at (814) 938-3302 or 1-800-648-3381, ext. 236 to confirm meeting time and place.

Warm Hearts, Warm Hands



Calling all mitten makers! Believe it or not...winter is just around the corner and it is not too early to start preparing for the annual mitten distribution.

This year we will need approximately **650** pairs of hand-made mittens!

In November and December Senior Corps-RSVP Staff and Volunteers visit the Head Start Classrooms in Clarion, Indiana and Jefferson Counties to distribute the beautiful hand-made mittens. Each year we get more and more requests for mittens, so get your fingers moving! If you know of a friend, relative or neighbor who would enjoy making mittens for a worthy cause, have them contact the Senior Corps-RSVP Office. The more volunteers, the merrier!

Thank you to those who are already participating in the Warm Hearts, Warm Hands Project donating your time and talents to make this Project a success.

Without your help, we would not be able to provide this service to the needy children in the area.



Donations of fleece and yarn are greatly appreciated.

"Special Delivery"



We are in need of hand-made baby blankets! Can you help?

Volunteers are needed to donate hand-made blankets or other baby items such as hats and booties. The items will be distributed to local families with a newborn.

The blankets can be sewn, knitted or crocheted. This will be an ongoing project throughout the year.

If you have any questions, contact the Senior Corps-RSVP Project office.

*Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can*

~John Wesley



January 21, 2013

MLK
Day



Service Project!

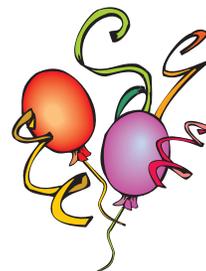
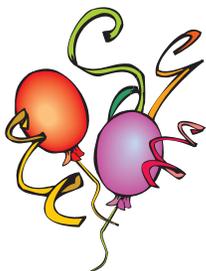
What is the MLK Day of Service?

Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "***Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?***" Each year, Americans across the Country answer the question by coming together on the *King Holiday* to serve their neighbors and communities. The **MLK** Day of Service is a part of **United We Serve**, the President's national call to service initiative, and calls for Americans from all walks of life to work together to provide solutions to our most pressing national problems. This year the Senior Corps-RSVP Service Project we will be collecting **hand-made knitted, crocheted or sewn lap robes** and **men's and women's store bought socks**. These items will be distributed in January to veterans and community members who receive home delivered meals. All donations are greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped of in Jefferson County at Community Action, Inc., 105 Grace Way, Punxsutawney or in Clarion County at Community Action, Inc., 30A South Sheridan Road, Clarion. For donations from Indiana County, please call 1-800-648-3381 to make arrangements for pick up.



Bring a pair of socks to the Recognition Luncheon for a chance to win a prize!





Senior Corps-RSVP Volunteers & Station Representatives

Come celebrate **41** years of volunteering in Clarion, Indiana and Jefferson Counties!

All **active** volunteers and volunteer station representatives are invited to attend our Annual Recognition Event to acknowledge, honor and thank each one of you for the invaluable services you provide to our communities. To be considered active you must have served and reported volunteer hours to the Senior Corps-RSVP Office between April 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012. If you have questions concerning your eligibility please contact the Senior Corps-RSVP Office.

Come join the fun as we celebrate YOU, The Angels Among Us!

Clarion County	Indiana County	Jefferson County
Date: September 26, 2012	Date: October 24, 2012	Date: October 3, 2012
Time: 11:30 a.m.	Time: 11:30 a.m.	Time: 4:00 p.m.
Place: Clarion Holiday Inn, I-80 at 68 Holiday Inn Road, Clarion	Place: Indiana Country Club, 496 Country Club Road, Indiana	Place: The Foundry, 45 West Main Street, Reynoldsville

Reservations: Below please check the appropriate reservation for the event you wish to attend and return this form to the Senior Corps-RSVP Office by **September 3, 2012**, c/o Community Action, Inc., 105 Grace Way, Punxsutawney, PA 15767-1209. If you wish to bring a guest, we must charge **\$18.00** to cover the cost of the meal. ***If you are bringing a guest, please include your check made payable to Community Action, Inc. Senior Corps-RSVP.***

If you want to save postage, you can call in your reservations to Janeen at (814) 938-3302, ext. 236 or toll-free 1-800-648-3381, ext. 236 or via e-mail at volunteer@iccap.org.

Senior Corps-RSVP Recognition Celebration

I will attend!

_____ Clarion County Luncheon on September 26, 2012 at the Clarion Holiday Inn

_____ Indiana County Luncheon on October 24, 2012 at the Indiana Country Club

_____ Jefferson County Luncheon on October 3, 2012 at The Foundry

Name: _____

Guest's Name: _____

Please return to the Senior Corps-RSVP Office by: **September 3, 2012**



Community Action, Inc.'s Senior Corps-RSVP Volunteer of the Year



NOMINATION CRITERIA:

- The nominee must have been **active** as a Senior Corps-RSVP Volunteer between **April 1, 2011** and **June 30, 2012**.
- The individual should exhibit outstanding service and dedication to their volunteer site(s) and the people they serve.

SENIOR CORPS-RSVP VOLUNTEER BEING NOMINATED:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Volunteer site: _____

Volunteer duties: _____

Number of hours served: _____

Describe how the volunteer provided **exceptional service** to the community and/or volunteer site. You may use additional pages if needed.

Name of individual submitting nomination: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

**Return to: Senior Corps-RSVP
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Fax: 814-938-7596; E-mail: volunteer@jccap.org**

**Deadline: AUGUST 31, 2012
Nominations will not be accepted after this date!
YOU MAY NOMINATE MORE THAN ONE VOLUNTEER!**

Volunteers are the Heart of America!



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

PLEASE CONTACT THE SENIOR CORPS-RSVP OFFICE AT
1-800-648-3381, EXT. 236 FOR INFORMATION ON
THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

ADULT EDUCATION - Volunteers are needed to mentor and tutor adults preparing for their GED or increasing their job readiness skills. Volunteers must have a college degree.

AGING SERVICES, INC. - CLARION AREA AGENCY ON AGING - JEFFERSON COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING - Volunteers are needed to work as **APPRISE** Counselors. The **APPRISE** Program provides assistance with Medicare benefits, PACE/PACENET applications, Property Tax/Rent Rebate forms, as well as information on programs available to people with limited income. Training is provided. Each of these organizations have many more volunteer opportunities; call the Senior Corps-RSVP Office for details!

BRADY VIEW MANOR - Nestled on the ridge in East Brady, this volunteer station needs your help and is looking for volunteers to assist with bingo, games, entertainment and other activities for the residents. Meet a new friend and share your talents. Call us today for more details!

CLARION AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY - Help a friend or neighbor in need or meet a new friend! Volunteers are needed to transport patients 18 years of age and older to appointments for chemotherapy treatments. If you can lend a smile and helping hand, call us today.

CLARION SALVATION ARMY - Christmas season is just around the corner and the Clarion Salvation Army will need your help ringing the bells at various locations throughout the County.

INTERGENERATIONAL MENTORING - Do you enjoy helping young children with activities and crafts or teaching them reading and socialization skills? If so, we need you for mentoring activities!

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT (JA) - Have you ever considered or wished you would have pursued a career in teaching? We have an excellent opportunity for you to utilize your skills or fulfill a dream! Volunteers are needed to teach Junior Achievement Classes. You will be provided with training and an easy to follow curriculum. JA opportunities are available throughout both Clarion and Jefferson Counties. Call the Senior Corps-RSVP Office for more details.

PENNSYLVANIA SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS (PASEC) - Do you have a love for nature and the great outdoors? If so, this is the volunteer opportunity for you! Volunteers are needed to assist with water sampling, road cleanups, intergenerational activities and much more. Help keep our waterways and communities clean! Contact the Senior Corps-RSVP Office for more information.

THE ARC OF CLARION COUNTY (Arc). Arc provides advocacy supports and services to people who experience disabilities. Arc is in need of office help and project assistants a few hours a week and would love to have you as a volunteer!

TOYS FOR TOTS - A volunteer is needed to coordinate the annual toy collection in Jefferson County. Volunteers are also needed to help with set-up and distribution.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) - Volunteers are needed to prepare taxes, greet consumers, schedule appointments and prepare property tax/rent rebates. To prepare taxes you will need to attend a two-day IRS training in Clarion or Punxsutawney. Training will be provided in early January. Tax preparation sites are located throughout Clarion and Jefferson Counties. Contact the Senior Corps-RSVP Office and help us help your neighbors file their taxes.

WARM HEARTS, WARM HANDS - Volunteers are needed to knit and crochet mittens and assist with distribution at Head Start Centers in Clarion, Indiana and Jefferson Counties. This activity will take place in November and December.

Happy Birthday Senior Corps-RSVP Volunteers!

August		September		October	
Nancy Bard	26	Christine Adams	7	Joe Albino	81
Mary Lou Barilar	9	Carolyn Anthony	17	Bill Antonio	87
Judy Bashline	10	Wanda Antonio	24	Mary Avalli	93
Virginia Bell	19	Arnold Best	14	Harold Ball	9
Helen Bencic	14	Dottie Bowersox	29	Rusty Barbe	27
Margaret Bertolino	15	Janet Carr	8	Gene Beer	12
Barbara Burkett	24	Norine Coleman	12	Mona Lou Bell	8
Patricia Clark	9	Aldean Dehner	19	Paula Bowersox	18
Beverly Clawson	8	Roberta Dinsmore	30	Marie Bowser	7
Joe Clever	30	John Dudash	1	Donald Donahey	22
Marie Cyphert	4	June Farmery	17	Walter Eisenman	31
William Dalton	15	Frances George	26	Helen Engle	21
Kathryn Davis	5	Sonia Gess	10	Mary Ferringer	10
Carol Dennison	30	Betty Gigliotti	3	Judy Gibson	8
Grace Dunlap	14	Fred Glosser	9	Eleanor Haney	2
Joseph Franklin	13	Carol Haldin	5	Alice Himes	8
Mae Geary	29	Bea Harris	6	Nancy Houser	12
Lydia Groves	1	Marian Hartzell	28	JoAnne Jacklin	15
Norma Haggerty	14	Paul Hicks	13	Shirley Johnston	21
Betty Haines	4	Margaret Hollobaugh	6	Linda Kerestesy	7
Carole Haire	19	Carolyn Kerr	9	Sam Kerr	23
Barb Holcombe	22	Edna King	30	Dennis Kinol	2
Donald Jewell	7	Mary Kirkpatrick	7	Janice Milks	14
Linda Jewell	22	Carol Koches	3	Tom Miller	11
Sophie Knapko	12	Genevieve Lerch	25	Mary Molinari	28
Betty Kotula	19	Norris Mason	17	Mary Ortz	23
Elma Levy	30	Donna McAninch	18	Robert Pancott	27
Marie Lyons	5	Dolores Mohny	4	Lois Pifer	1
Barbara McCombie	12	Mary Molinengo	8	Ramona Powell	2
Pearl McCullough	29	Margaret Mortimer	59	Judy Schrecengost	31
Melva McGranor	13	Elwood Neiswonger	25	Terry Shaffer	29
Shirley McLaughlin	1	Marianne Piszker	5	Mildred Sheffler	19
Anne Montgomery	21	Beverly Popovich	28	Elizabeth Solley	10
Janet Neal	11	Nancy Rettig	25	Dorothy Stewart	13
Shirley Patterson	2	Cynthia Russell	24	David Wakefield	31
Rita Reinsel	27	Dale Sheffler	29	George Walters	22
Dorothy Reyna	20	Catherine Sherry	4	Helen Whitesell	20
Rose Rotosky	3	Bob Schrecengost	26	Annie Laurie Williams	29
Rose Shirley	4	Lil Smith	26	Geneva Yankuskie	24
Donald Shroeder	12	Dorothy Snyder	8		
Donna Sicheri	8	Peggy Strong	30		
Geraldine Snyder	8	Judy Tabler	16		
Peggy Tantlinger	20	Jean Tangreen	7		
Kenneth Wiant	18	Patricia Tilson	28		
		Carl Trout	11		
		Linda Watterson	6		
		Barbara Weyand	19		
		Carolyn White	17		
		Grace Wilkinson	23		



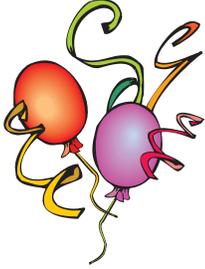
Smiles and laughter, joy and cheer. New happiness that stays throughout the year. Hope your birthday brings all these and more. Filling life with surprise and joys galore!



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