

Volunteer Vibes

NEWSLETTER



JULY
2019

Hurray! The day has come to cheer! This is the biggest day of the year! And why is that you ask? Because my dear, it's the FOURTH OF JULY! Ah, that's a day for a big parade, and that's a day for shouting is made! A day for whooping and cheer, I call it the best day of the year. In seventeen hundred seventy six, our country was in a an awful fix. Kind George, the Third - a tyrant he! Made us pay the taxes on our tea! Now all the fore-fathers looked so grim. So they said, "We'll just attend to him! We certainly meant to be equal and free, as we'll show that king across the sea!" Now, it was the FOURTH OF JULY - and yes it brings a tear to my eye. That the DECLARATION to the king was made. It throws all other events in the shade. So HURRAY! It's a day to cheer! IT's the only day of the whole big year. So join that parade that's marching by - and let's give three cheers for the FOURTH OF JULY! ~ Lenore Hetrick



SENIOR CORPS



One of the best things about working in national service is telling your stories. These stories reinforce the value of service and help recruit members and volunteers so you can keep doing what you do best: serve. This year, we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Corporation for National and Community Service when Senior Corps and AmeriCorps came under one umbrella to strengthen service and volunteering in communities across our country. And we can't think of a better time to honor you and tell your service story. Let the story collection begin! Please submit your volunteer story by Aug. 1st. Email - rsvp@helplinecenter.org or mail to The Helpline Center Attn: RSVP 1000 N. West Ave #310 Sioux Falls, SD 57104

REMINDER...

All RSVP Volunteers are asked to submit their monthly volunteer hours to the RSVP Office. You can turn in your hours a number of ways!



1. Email rsvp@helplinecenter.org
2. Mail - Helpline Center RSVP 1000 N. West Ave #310 SF, SD 57104
3. Call - 605.274.1420
4. Ask the organization you volunteer for to submit the hours to RSVP for you!



WE NEED YOU!

The Washington Pavilion & Orpheum Theater are seeking volunteers for the 2019-2020 performing arts season! Looking for a fun, rewarding volunteer opportunity? Be an usher for many of our communities great theater events and performances. Don't forget to tell them you are with RSVP!



- Pat Van Rockel
- Linda Hill
- Pat Behrends
- Margaret Baldwin
- Jerome Schmidt
- Gwen Meeter
- Geri Hento
- Lorna Boetel
- Linda Heberling
- Lavonne Meyer
- Mike Rearick
- Gloria Nichol
- Marge Buysman
- Mary O'Connell
- Ronald Buysman
- Leona Bierschbach
- Helen Haakinson

Have a friend 55+ who would enjoy volunteering as much as you do? Refer them to join the RSVP program! **EARN a \$10 HyVee Gift Card if they sign up!**



Send Jessica your friends info via email rsvp@helplinecenter.org or call 605.274.1420

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Each month we like to highlight one of our amazing RSVP volunteers! If you are interested in sharing your volunteer story or have someone you would like to SPOTLIGHT please email us!



Irene Mehlhaff

Total hours: 3,183.18

Children's Miracle Network Clerical Support



Irene has been a volunteer with Sanford since the fall of 2000 and the majority of that time has been with the Foundation. The Sanford Health Foundation has moved to four different buildings around Sioux Falls and she has been willing to stick with us through each and every move. She comes in every week and tackles whatever projects we throw at her. It not unusual for her to fold shirts or assemble gift ornaments for radio-thon volunteers, fill up gift bags for Edith Expo events, fold diapers with flyers to promote awareness for preemie babies, and put together promotional packets for other fundraising events. Even on the quieter days around the office you can find her at the front desk assisting visitors, while also helping us look up missing data in our systems.

One of the biggest projects she worked on was an ambitious fundraising mailing that went out, which returned thousands and thousands of letters with donations. She had to go through box after box of mail, sorting everything so we could get all the gifts entered into our systems. It was an overwhelming amount of work and she even pulled a friend of hers in to help get all those heartfelt gifts processed.

Irene's volunteer work at the Foundation has been invaluable and we can't thank her enough!

Thanks for all you do in our community Irene!



RSVP is looking for more volunteers in the following areas. Check out how you can help!

- Meals on Wheels - Delivery Driver
- Workers on Wheels - Grocery Shopping & Lawn Care
- Boys & Girls Club - Kids Mentor
- Furniture Mission - Create Welcome Home Baskets
- Feeding South Dakota - Food Pantry Assistant, Food Delivery & Pick Up
- Habitat for Humanity - Restore Front Desk Volunteer or home build volunteer
- Salvation Army - Food Distribution @ Sallie's Table
- Project Car - Volunteer Driver
- Washington Pavilion - Ushers at Pavilion & Orpheum Theater
- Teddy Bear Den - Helping Clients & Office Volunteer
- Butterfly House & Aquarium
- Helpline Center - DIY Kit Donations

VOLUNTEER TODAY! Email rsvp@helplinecenter.org, call 211 or contact the organization listed above. Remember to tell them you are an RSVP Volunteer.



Congratulations

Congrats to our May Gift Card Winner...

Melva Hilmoe

Melva earned a spot in our \$20 gift card drawing to Hy-Vee for turning in her monthly volunteer hours. And her name was randomly chosen! CONGRATS!



4th of July Roundup

JULY DIY PROJECTS

Patriotic Clothespin Wreath This Independence Day, make the perfect patriotic décor to help celebrate America in style.



Patriotic Clothespin Wreath, you'll need:

- – 12" wire wreath
- – Red, white, and blue spray paint
- – Clothespins
- – Foam Stars
- – Hot glue gun

To assemble:

1. Spray paint the wire wreath white to hide the metal frame.
2. On old newspapers or a drop cloth, line up all of the clothespins. Spray paint them red, white, and blue. (I did an equal amount in each color.) Let them dry for 1 hour.
3. Clip the clothespins onto the wire wreath, alternating them between the second and third rings. (I started with the red clothes pins, then did the white, and finished with the blue.)
4. Hot glue the stars over the blue clothespins.

Patriotic Punch! ~ Cool off on the 4th of July with this fun Patriotic themed punch!

To get the layered effect, you'll need to do a few things:

1. Start by filling the glass about 1/4-1/3 of the way up with the drink with the highest sugar content per serving (red in this case).
2. Then, fill the cup FULL with ice.
3. Pour the drink with the next highest sugar content (white in this case) very slowly over the ice. You'll use the ice as a sort of buffer – pouring directly on to the ice with a very slow pour (small amount).
4. Repeat with the last layer (blue in this case)
5. Snip the ends off of a *Twizzlers* candy and place in the drink for a straw.



To make some fun patriotic punch, you'll need 3 different kid-friendly juices/drinks in red, white, and blue. Really, you can use ANY red, white, and blue drinks that you think will taste okay together.



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