Spring 2011 Volunteer Opportunities …

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Abington Area Joint Recreation Board: Abington Community Park needs help clearing trails, mulching, pulling weeds, weed whacking, rider mowing. Any day Sun-Sat. Contact R. Sylvia Tagert at bstag@epix.net

American Cancer Society: Volunteer Road to Recovery drivers to take patients to and from appointments, Monday to Friday, times flexible, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Jennifer Washney, 888-227-5445.

American Red Cross Blood Drive: Volunteers needed as escorts, canteen workers or student nurses. Tuesday, April 12, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Contact Lori at fehlingerl@usa.redcross.org

Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern Pennsylvania: Ongoing, after-school homework, Monday to Thursday, 2:30 p.m., five volunteers. Ongoing, after-school recreation, Monday-Friday, 4 to 8:30 p.m., five volunteers. Contact: Laura Gentile, 342-8709, ext 114.

Cinderella's Closet: help with event set up/clean up, sort and organize dresses and accessories, set up fitting rooms. Thursday April 14 from 4-9 pm at Scranton Cultural Center, N Washington Ave (on COLTS route). Contact Ashley Nassar at ashleyn621@gmail.com

Community Medical Center: Ongoing, information desk, days and times vary, five volunteers. Ongoing, gift shop, days and times vary, four volunteers. Ongoing, priority care, weekday mornings, time varies, three volunteers. Ongoing, family companion, days and times vary, five volunteers. Contact: Kara Badyrka, 969-8700.

Clarks Summit Fire Department: Ongoing, housekeeping, grounds keeping, fire station maint, helping at monthly fire station breakfast. Saturdays 8-11 am or Sundays 6 a.m. – 2 p.m. Contact Bob Bowen: 575-3601 or bbowen@clarkssummitfire.com

Clarks Summit State Hospital: volunteers needed to help patients file federal tax returns. Time and day of the week flexible. Contact Edward Bielecki at ebielecki@state.pa.us

Community Outreach Office, U of S: Volunteers need to help at "Pet Therapy" on the Dionne Green. Wed, April 27, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Volunteers will have guest sign waivers, set up water bowls, hand out dog biscuits, "accident cleanup", whatever! Fun Time! Contact Ellen Judge at judgee2@scranton.edu
Genealogical Research Society of Northeastern PA, Inc.: Ongoing, researching records for family members and general office duties, Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 6 to 9 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Contact: Joseph Bryer, 383-7661.

Gino J. Merli Veterans’ Center: Ongoing, assist with bingo, Saturday or Sunday, 1:15 to 3:30 p.m., six volunteers. Ongoing, assist feeding, daily, any scheduled meal time, 10 volunteers. Ongoing, bowling pinsetter, Friday, 9:15 to 10:30 a.m., three volunteers. Ongoing, canteen assistant, weekdays, time varies, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Tom Bufano, 961-4380.

Goodwill Industries: Ongoing, Good Guides youth mentoring, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Bo Hoban, 343-1166, ext 466.

Griffin Pond Animal Shelter: Ongoing, dog walkers, noon to 4 p.m., two to four volunteers. Contact: Beverly Bright, 585-0516.

Hospice of the Sacred Heart: Ongoing, clerical assistance, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., two volunteers. Ongoing, patient visits, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, transportation, as needed, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, telephone contact, weekly, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Ann Seechock, 706-2400.

Jewish Community Center: looking for a volunteer to make a video for their website and youtube. Editing and video experience helpful. February through March. Contact lisa@scrantonjcc.org

The Jewish Home of Eastern PA: Ongoing, visiting residents, daily, 10 to 11:30 a.m./1 to 4:30 p.m./6 to 8 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, speak Russian or Yiddish with residents, daily, 10 to 11:30 a.m./1 to 4:30 p.m./6 to 8 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, feeding residents, daily, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m./4:30 to 6 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, musical entertainment, daily, 2:30 to 4 p.m./6 to 8 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Contact: Mae Murawski, 344-6177

Junior Achievement of Northeastern Pennsylvania: Ongoing, in-classroom assistance, school hours, 20 volunteers. Contact Katie Rossi, 602-3600.

Lacawac Sanctuary: Ongoing, build picnic tables, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, historic house tours, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, nature festival, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, native plant garden, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Joann or Janice, 689-9494.

Lackawanna Branch, Pennsylvania Association for the Blind: Ongoing, drivers, time varies, three volunteers. Ongoing, special events assistance, time varies, six volunteers. Contact: Mary Lou Wascavich, 342-7613.
Lackawanna Health & Rehab Center: Ongoing, bingo, Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m., two to three volunteers. Ongoing, shopping trips, Tuesday, 1:15 to 3 p.m., two volunteers. Ongoing, Catholic mass, Wednesday, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., two to three volunteers. Ongoing, lunch trips, Tuesday, 11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., two volunteers. Contact: Marcie Stull, 489-8611, ext 39.

Lackawanna River Cleanup: Saturday April 30th 10am-1pm. Clean up debris at the river shore line. Behind the IceBox near Scranton High School, Olive St. contact Tim at barrettt2@scranton.edu

Lackawanna River Fest: Saturday May 7th 7am - 5pm. Lackawanna River behind the Ice Box, Olive St. Scranton. Help set up tents/clean up, assist with boat launches, monitor site. Brief safety training provided. Contact Tim at barrettt2@scranton.edu

Linwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Center: Ongoing, ice cream social, Wednesday and Thursday, 2 to 4 p.m., two volunteers. Ongoing, bingo, Friday/Saturday/Sunday, 2 to 3 p.m., three volunteers. Contact: Antoinette McConnell, 346-7381.

Marion Catholic School- ESL program is looking for Spanish speaking volunteers. Mondays thru Thursdays 10-11:30am, 12-1:30pm, 1:30-3:30pm, and Mon and Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm. Contact Sr. Joan Thompson at joanmariet@gmail.com or 570-955-6550

Marion Catholic School- set up a website for the school, including photos of their activities, in English and Spanish. Contact jeanne-rossi@holycrosspa.org

Meals on Wheels of NEPA: Ongoing, meal delivery, Monday to Friday, 1 to 1-1/2 hour(s), unlimited volunteers. Contact: Loretta Armbruster, 346-2421.

Mercy Hospice: Ongoing, sit with terminally ill patients, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, dog therapy, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Rita Harris, 961-0725.

Moses Taylor Hospital: Ongoing, Hospital Elder Life Program (help). Provide therapeutic interventions at the bedside of senior citizens. Monday through Fridays. Training provided. Contact Sonia Sandhaus: 570-340-3452 or ssandhaus@mth.org

Parents Loving Children through Autism - Walk at Nay Aug Park needs student volunters to supervise kids in the bouncy house, food tables, and set up/clean up event. Saturday April 16th between 9-3. Contact Kathleen Walsh at kwalsh@plcta.com or call 570-341-3388.

SCOLA Volunteers for Literacy: Ongoing, literacy tutors, we train, must be 18
years old with high school diploma, training and tutoring hours are flexible, 1 to 3 hours per week, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Mary Ann Tolerico 346-6203, ext 15

**Scranton Health Care Center:** Ongoing, visit with residents, daily, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, assist with daily activities, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., unlimited volunteers. Contact: Kimberly Jeryga, 341-6676.

**Serving Seniors:** Ongoing, assist with residents' rights, 18 years of age or older, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, day care centers, schools/universities/scouts visit with residents in nursing/personal-care homes, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Ongoing, friendly visits with residents in nursing/personal-care homes, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Louise Ligi, 344-3931.

**St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen:** clothing house, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., two to four volunteers. Contact: Terry Macciocco, 342-5556, option 4.

**United Neighborhood Centers:**

2 volunteers for our theatre group on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 at the West Side Senior Center. Again, it would be helpful for the volunteer to have a background in theatre as a major/minor or relevant experience.

1-2 volunteers for the Youth Leaders in Training on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30-5:30 at the West Side Senior Center. YLIT works with 5th graders!

1 volunteer for our photography group on Wednesdays from 5-7 @ the west side senior center. MUST have relevant experience!

2-4 volunteers for SAT Prep for LIT juniors on Fridays from 5-7! Need at least two who are English/Math major/minors to help go over problems with the students. All opportunities contact Alyssa Beasley at abeasley@uncnepa.org

**VNA Hospice & Home Health of Lackawanna County:** Ongoing, CMC In-Patient Unit, Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday, 5:30 to 8 p.m., one volunteer per day. Contact: Kathleen Coyne, 383-5180

**Voluntary Action Center:** Ongoing, 55 and older assistance with various functions, flexible times, unlimited volunteers. Contact: Nancy Post, 347-5616

**Webster Towers:** Ongoing, lead the Mind Games by running Wheel of Fortune, Scattergories, Word Trivia and Trivia Competition for the elderly residents. Tuesdays 2-4pm. Contact Judy McLane 570-961-8716 or wthsc1@verizon.net

**Webster Towers:** student to translate documents from English to Spanish. Accomodating Hours. Contact Judy McLane 570-961-8716 or
Weinberg Library Book Sale - volunteers needed to set up book sale, carry books to patrons cars, sell books. April 29-May 1 various hours. On Campus! Contact Barbara Evans at evansb5@scranton.edu