



Volunteer Bloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "To solve our social problems in our communities, the solution must be to build stronger communities not just stronger programs and services."

~ Paul Schmitz, CEO Public Allies

March 6, 2013

Cat & Dog Care Assistants

Be a part of the solution to pet overpopulation in south central Indiana by helping the Pets Alive Non Profit Spay/Neuter Clinic's qualified and committed staff care for the cats and dogs who are undergoing spay and neuter surgeries. With 60-80 surgeries daily, they need your support with cleaning kennels, laundry, cleaning surgery instruments, preparing surgery packs and general cleaning. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Charlotte Walker at (812) 349-1349 ext. 15 or charlotte@petsaliveindiana.org. (www.petsaliveindiana.org)

Garden Helpers - March Work Days!

It's time to uncover that green thumb. Come out and help the Mother Hubbard's Cupboard gardens grow! Various garden tasks are needed to wake up the gardens this spring. Come once or join the crew for the whole season! Kids under 12 are welcome with adult supervision. Garden Workdates in March: March 14, 4-6 p.m.; March 19, 5-7 p.m.; March 23, 1-3 p.m.; March 26, 5-7 p.m. Please contact Kendra Brewer at (812) 355-6843 or garden@mhcfoodpantry.org. (www.mhcfoodpantry.org)

Free CERT Training April 5-12

Get Prepared for yourself and the community with CERT Training this Spring! Each year many communities are rocked by severe weather, such as tornadoes, floods or flash floods, winter storms, or "manmade" disasters. Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) are trained to take care of themselves and then help others in their communities for the first three days following a disaster. The Community Emergency Response Team Course consists of 21 hours of training. Training is FREE and classes are taught by Emergency Responders, including fire fighters, emergency medical and law enforcement personnel in the community. You must attend all sessions to receive certification: April 5 from 6-10 p.m., April 6 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., April 7 from 1-5 p.m., April 11 from 6-9 p.m., and April 12 from 6-10 p.m. Please contact Jessica Renn at (812) 349-2533 or jrenn@co.monroe.in.us. (www.co.monroe.in.us)

Land Trust Workday at Laura Hare Nature Preserve – Mar 23

Visit Sycamore Land Trust's new 600-acre forest preserve in Brown County, the Laura Hare Nature Preserve, and help clean up old trash and debris littering. Bring work gloves if you have them and dress for the outdoors. A carpool from the land trust office (4898 E. Heritage Woods Rd.) will depart at 12:30 p.m.; If you prefer to meet at the site, directions will be available when you RSVP. Minimum age is 16 or 12 if with an adult. Please sign up by March 21. Please contact Katrina Folsom at (812) 336-5382 ext. 102 or info@sycamorelandtrust.org. (www.sycamorelandtrust.org)

Rooftop Garden Intern

Middle Way House is a non-profit organization which offers apartment style housing and various services for victims of domestic violence. Their Rooftop Garden program is currently seeking interns to assist in educating youth who reside at Middle Way or The Rise in a variety of gardening and sustainability related projects. The Rooftop Garden aims to improve food security within Middle Way House while being an additional source for local, sustainably grown produce for the community. No gardening skills are required for the position but we ask that individuals allow approximately 5 hours a week for the internship work. This opportunity is a great way to give back to the community while being a positive role model to the youth! Anyone interested may contact Co-coordinator Ricca Macklin at (812) 337-4510 or at richmack@indiana.edu for more information. (www.middlewayhouse.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

Community Wish List Spotlight

Susie's Place Child Advocacy Center

Provides a neutral, child-friendly center to investigate alleged child abuse and neglect, while keeping the comfort and safety of the child the first priority. To grant a wish, contact Emily Perry at emily@susiesplace.org or (812) 822-1570 (451 S. Parkridge Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401; www.susiesplace.org)

Wishes: gas gift cards, kid snacks and drinks, easel paper, colorful washable/permanent markers, toilet paper, Lysol spray and wipes, 9-volt/AAA/AA batteries, Febreze air fresheners, carpet cleaner, indoor flood lights, postage, recycle bins

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to

