



# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it." ~ Abraham Lincoln

April 23, 2014

## Americorps Volunteer Services Liaison

Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County is seeking an AmeriCorps Volunteer Services Liaison. AmeriCorps engages more than 80,000 Americans in intensive service each year at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups. Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County has worked alongside AmeriCorps Members for over a decade, striving to eliminate the need for poverty housing. As a Volunteer Services Liaison, you will recruit, orient, coordinate, schedule, and train new volunteers for the construction sites, office, and committees; recruit and train the food coordination team; work with the leadership of chapters at IU and Bloomington high schools North and South; and organize volunteer appreciation events. A stipend will be provided. Minimum age is 18. Interested candidates should email [bauder@monroecountyhabitat.org](mailto:bauder@monroecountyhabitat.org). ([www.monroecountyhabitat.org](http://www.monroecountyhabitat.org))

## Women's Commission Minutes Recorder

The City of Bloomington Commission on the Status of Women is seeking a volunteer to record minutes at monthly commission meetings beginning in July. This dynamic group meets from 5:30-7 p.m. on the first Thurs. of each month. Meetings are open to the public. Women's issues focusing on health, education and equality are discussed and events, projects and services are planned. A volunteer with a laptop is preferred but not required. Minimum age is 21; commitment to attend regularly is necessary. Please contact Sue Owens at (812) 349-3468 or [owenss@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:owenss@bloomington.in.gov). ([bloomington.in.gov/csw](http://bloomington.in.gov/csw))

## Bryan Park Creek Maintenance Day – May 7

The Bryan Park Creek naturalized area is a certified Community Wildlife Habitat and requires periodic maintenance to control invasive plant species and ensure native plant success. Volunteers assist with monthly upkeep of this natural area by cutting back overgrown brush, removing invasive plants, and collecting native seeds. Volunteers will assist from 5:30-7 p.m. on May 7. Minimum age is 12 unless accompanied by an adult. Register online at <http://bit.ly/BryanParkCreek>. Please contact Kim Ecenbarger, Bloomington Parks and Recreation, at (812) 349-3739 or [ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov). ([www.bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://www.bloomington.in.gov/parks))

## USA Youth Outdoor Track & Field Championships – June 24-29

Visit Bloomington and the Hoosier Sports Corporation worked with USA Track & Field to bring the 2014 Youth Outdoor Track & Field Championships back to Bloomington! This event will run June 24-29 at the IU outdoor track. Volunteers will make sure the meet runs smoothly, by assisting staff and officials and assisting with individual events. Families and sports teams are encouraged to sign-up together; the minimum age is 13. For more information, to print out a waiver form and sign up to volunteer, go to <http://bit.ly/OEQq4p> or contact Teal Betz at (812) 355-7725 or [teal@visitbloomington.com](mailto:teal@visitbloomington.com). ([www.visitbloomington.com](http://www.visitbloomington.com))

## Homeless Shelter Volunteers

Volunteers can assist with providing shelter at local churches for people experiencing homelessness during hazardous weather. Volunteer shifts are: 8:15 p.m.-midnight, midnight-3:30 a.m., 3:30-6 a.m., and 6-7 a.m. Responsibilities include setting up the shelter, greeting and checking in guests, checking bags, cleaning, and more! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Samantha Harrell at (812) 207-3987 or [ubuntushelter@gmail.com](mailto:ubuntushelter@gmail.com). (<http://ubuntushelter.org>)

*The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit [bloomington.in.gov/volunteer](http://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

### Bloomington Restoration's Hinkle- Garton Farmstead

An 11 acre nonprofit farmstead with two homes and four outbuildings. Hosts exhibits, classes, and an open-museum day on the last Sat. of most months. The house and grounds are available for rental. To grant a wish, contact Danielle Bachant-Bell at [lordandbach@gmail.com](mailto:lordandbach@gmail.com) or (812) 336-6141. (2920 E. 10th St.; [www.bloomingtonrestorations.org](http://www.bloomingtonrestorations.org))

**Wishes:** new or used parking bumpers, portable DVD video player, leaf rakes, by-pass hand pruners, garden and soaker hoses, archival folders and storage boxes, plastic pots, potting soil, external hard drive

*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 those served by this organization.*

