



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "A lot of people are waiting for Martin Luther King or Mahatma Gandhi to come back - but they are gone. We are it. It is up to us. It is up to you."
~ Marian Wright Edelman

September 19, 2012

Wetland Restoration – Sept. 22

You can help the experts from Eco Logic LLC put the finishing touches on a wetland restoration project along the Beanblossom Bottoms trail. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 22, volunteers will spread native plant seeds and treat invasive plants. Minimum age is 16; 12 if with an adult. RSVP by Sept. 20 by contacting Sycamore Land Trust at info@sycamorelandtrust.org or 812-336-5382 ext. 100. (www.sycamorelandtrust.org)

Soup and Service with the Women's Auxiliary

Women of all ages are welcome to join the Women's Auxiliary of the Salvation Army, which meets twice a month for a convivial group lunch followed by volunteering at the Thrift Store. The group meets on the first Mondays of the month from noon to 2 p.m. and on the third Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The Women's Auxiliary is a 50 year old ecumenical Christian group which supports the social and religious projects of the Salvation Army in Bloomington. Their primary service projects are Christmas Angel Bag distribution, backpack distribution, support of the thrift store operations and supporting the children in the Child Development Center. To join in the fun and service, contact Jerri Dixon at (812) 876-0790 or maxdixon@att.net. (www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org)

Hoosiers Outrun Cancer – Sept. 29

Hoosiers Outrun Cancer, which will be held on Sept. 29 at the IU Memorial Stadium, benefits the Olcott Center for Cancer Education. It is a fun day outdoors that includes a 5K walk, 5K run, 1 mile family walk, and 1 mile kids' run. Volunteer opportunities include registration, hospitality, course safety, awards and post-race activities. Minimum age for volunteers is 18; 14 with an adult. Sign up via the volunteer registration tab at www.hoosiersoutruncancer.org or contact Kathy Morrison, Bloomington Hospital Foundation, at (765) 212-6303 or kmorriso3@cs.com. (www.bloomingtonhospitalfoundation.org)

Volunteer Training: Interfaith Winter Homeless Shelter – Sept. 30 & Oct. 14

The Interfaith Winter Shelter is preparing for the change of seasons and recruiting volunteers - especially those that can handle being awake in the middle of the night! The shelter is open from Oct. 15 to April 15. Trainings will be offered from 2-3 p.m. on Sept. 30 and Oct. 14 at First United Church (2420 E. Third St.). You do not need to pre-register for either training. After training, volunteers choose a location and a 3-hour shift between 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. These trainings will prepare both new and returning volunteers to serve at any of the four sites (First United Church, Trinity Episcopal Church, First Christian Church and First United Methodist Church). Volunteers must be 18 or older, except that younger volunteers can help during the setup shift only. Please contact Sara Frommer at (812) 336-5152 or sfrommer@juno.com. (<http://interfaithwintershelter.org/>)

IU Campus Garden Workday – Tues. & Fri.

Do you want to work to improve food sustainability on the IU campus? Workdays at the IU Campus Garden at Hilltop Garden & Nature Center are every Tues. from 5-7 p.m. and every Fri. from 9-11 a.m. Anyone can show up, neither tools nor experience are necessary. Volunteers sometimes even get to take vegetables home! Minimum age is 18; 16 with an adult. Please contact Sara Swan at 812-855-2678 or iugarden@indiana.edu. (www.iugarden.wordpress.com)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central Indiana

To provide children facing adversity with strong, enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. To grant a wish, contact Kim Dunning at kimdunning@bigsindiana.org or (812) 334-2828 (807 N. College Ave.; www.bigsindiana.org)

Wishes: modeling clay, markers, crayons, light-weight full-size vacuum, laminating machine, copy paper, colored paper, garbage bags

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.

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.

