

COMMUNITY SERVICE 2008-2009

Provided by the SOLVE Office, 224 Warren Student Services Center, Bloomsburg University
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ADULTS/ELDERLY

ADOPT-A-GRANDPARENT Visit, socialize & organize activities with residents.

Balanced Care Bloomsburg Chris Callahan 784-6688
Bloomsburg Health Care Sandy Bowes 784-5930
Loyalton at Bloomsburg Wanda Schmick 387-6868
Millville Health Center Shelly Confer 458-5566
Orangeville Nursing & Rehab Darlea Sponenberg 683-5036

BERWICK ADULT DAY CARE CENTER 208 W. Eleventh St., Berwick, PA 18063 Deborah 752-2882

hwkadultdaycarecenter@juno.com Provide a positive, enjoyable environment for elderly individuals during the day.

C/M AREA AGENCY ON AGING Senior Center: Delores Seltzer (manager) 784-8615. Engage the elderly in conversation, play games, assist with exercise program & activities at the center.

COL/MONT HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE Bloomsburg Sandra Hare 784-1723. Hospice is a team-oriented program of care for terminally ill patients and their families. Requires clearances, TB test, and background check. (at agency's expense)

THE GATE HOUSE Cheryl Hornberger @ (570) 275-6766 Serves the transitional needs of residents who require shelter; focuses on building and restoring strengths to ensure a successful return into their communities.

ORANGEVILLE MANOR PERSONAL CARE FACILITY (570) 683-5951. Residential care facility for men with mental illnesses. Need for a person or group to go once a week for a planned activity or to socialize with residents.

HUNGER

COMMUNITY FRIENDSHIP MEAL Wesley United Methodist, Bloomsburg, drf52@aol.com. Sign up as a group or individual to help with soup kitchen held every Sat 9:30a.m.-1p.m.

BLOOMSBURG FOOD BANK 15 Perry Ave., Bloomsburg Jill 387-6501: Help with food distribution 3rd Friday of each month from 9am-12 and 3-4.

EMPTY BOWLS Lunch, Sunday, March 29, 2009, SOLVE Office 389-4788. Hunger awareness event: handmade bowls, soups, all proceeds for Bloomsburg Food Cupboard. Ticket sales, publicity, entertainers, set up, servers, clean up.

HOMELESSNESS

HOMELESSNESS RELIEF PROJECTS Join the Alliance Against Homelessness Student Organization. Clothing drives, awareness, site visits. Katherine, SOLVE Office, (570) 389-5437.

DISASTER RELIEF

AMERICAN RED CROSS 119 E7th St. Bloomsburg, PA 784-1395 Utilize your talents & provide training to serve your community, especially with blood drives or office work.

ANNIE'S PLACE Temporary housing for local pets that are evacuated during an emergency. To get involved, contact the

SOLVE Office, (570) 389-4788 and leave your contact information.

COMMUNITY NEED

BLOOMSBURG TOWN PARK Chuck Wagner, President PO Box 432, Bloomsburg, PA 17815 cell 717 329-8039 (h) 389-1947 Help keep our town of Bloomsburg clean.

BLOOMSBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT Station Phone: (570) 784-1837 or website: <http://www.bloomsburgpa.org/>

BLOOMSBURG THEATRE ENSEMBLE 266 Center St.

Cindy Schultz 784-5530 www.bte.org Volunteers to help during shows, e.g. ushering. Evening hours vary, typically Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to end of show.

CARING COMMUNITIES FOR AIDS Chris Kupchik (570) 752-5655, 301A West Third Street Berwick, PA 18603, scottccfa@hotmail.com. Provides prevention, case management, and testing services to a 3 county area.

Prefer individuals with a semester-long commitment

COLUMBIA CO. VOLUNTEERS IN MEDICINE CLINIC

Bette Grey at (570) 752-1780, 310 E. 3rd St. Mifflinville, PA 18631. Free medical clinic for working uninsured needing help Thursday's from 6-9 p.m. with manning front desk, clerical, copying. Opportunities also for nursing students and social work majors.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES Janet DeAngelo at 784-8348, 11 Frosty Valley Rd. (off Rt. 42, near Wal-Mart). Second-hand store supporting job training and placement programs for people with disabilities and other disadvantages. Help with cleaning, bagging, hanging clothes, or ticketing clothes for sale.

SALVATION ARMY 345 Market St, Bloomsburg, PA 17815. *Thrift Store* Janis 387-0314 *Office* Abby Ritchie 387-4112. Local thrift shop needs help sorting and unloading donated items. Proceeds help fund a 50 bed drug and rehab facility in Wilkes-Barre. Please call ahead to schedule your service hours.
UNITED WAY OF COLUMBIA COUNTY Connie at 784-3134. Supports area non-profit organizations. Help with folding and stuffing mail, computer work, office cleaning, or where needed.

MENTORING / TUTORING

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS Bloomsburg Tracy Byrne 784-0791: Children of single parent families in need of a mentor, someone they can look up to, or just someone to enjoy time with. **Prefer a year long commitment**

CENTRAL SCHOOL DIST (Academic Year Only) Mentors needed for special needs children in elementary or high school. Hours are flexible to fit your schedule. Pete Gatski 784-6103; Alice (Elementary) 784-6120

COL./MONT. VO-TECH(Summer School)

(570) 784-8040. School offers technical training coupled with academic courses for high school students. Tutors needed for summer school students.

SHARE (Academic Year Only) 389-4788 An after-school mentoring/tutoring program in area elem/middle schools. 10 week program, 1 or 2 times a week Monday-Thursday.

CHILDREN / YOUTH

BETHESDA DAY TREATMENT CENTER 1129 Old Berwick Rd, Bloomsburg PA 17815 Steve Gaito 387-1051 steveg@bdtcpa.org Help troubled youth who need a friend.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA (570) 784-2700, 5 Audubon Court, Bloomsburg, PA 17815, mcinquin@bsamail.org. Get involved with local scout troops.

KIDS FUN Saturday, March 21, 2009, 1-3 pm, Nelson Field House. Carnival style event for 200+ area kids with spring fever! Booths needed-simple games, crafts, costume characters. Contact SOLVE Office at 389-4788.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM 7th St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815 Deborah Rhodes 389-9206 Enrich the lives of others by fostering a lifelong love of learning through enjoyable interactive programs. Open weekdays 9-4:30.

COLUMBIA CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER 215 Fifth St., Bloomsburg 784-8618 Child care for 25+ years.

HEAD START Benton (570) 784-1076 Berwick, Bloomsburg (570) 784-1076 or 8618 Millville (570) 458-5844 A comprehensive program for low-income pre-school age children that prepares them for school, works with other developmental areas and helps parents become the child's first teachers.

SPECIAL NEEDS

COL/MONT SPECIAL OLYMPICS Laura 387-1978 or Debbie 784-3343. Offers year round sports training to individuals with Mental Retardation. *DO NOT* need any background in sports-just enthusiasm & kindness. Must be 18. Scheduling is flexible. Excellent coaching experience.

CMSU Carol Zosh @ (570) 275-6080 Serves those with developmental disabilities (MR) provide interaction; integrate into mainstream society. Hosts *Best Buddies*.

EOS THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER Dahl Rd, Buckhorn, PA Debbie Smith 387-1689 Office 784-5445 Assist disabled individuals by offering therapy through animals and horse riding.

SUNCOM INDUSTRIES 387-0830. Provides vocational opportunities for individuals with disabilities utilizing guidance, support and a positive environment.

ANIMALS

ANIMAL RESOURCE CENTER (ARC) www.nokillarc.org No kill animal sheltering & adoption organization. Linda Bird: fundraising & educational programs 356-2387 Cindy Lindenmuth: animal care and fostering 784-3669 Jo Wright for Adopt-a-Pet events 784-1331

serious inquiries only

PENNSYLVANIA P.E.T.S., INC. 203 E 5th St, Bloomsburg Barbara Crawford 784-4518 Sells used items to fund spayed and neutering services. 4 hour shifts on Saturdays are always needed! Within walking distance.

SPCA Danville, email at webmaster@danvillespca.org. Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals needs help cleaning cages and feeding animals.

RECYCLING

GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVE Please join! Support materials available at the SOLVE Office, (570) 389-4788. Create informational materials to support correct recycling. Set up additional material recycling.

TABS SOLVE office 224 SSC 389-4788 Save the metal tabs from all beverage, soup, pet food, etc. cans. Ronald McDonald House recycles these for money to pay for utilities. Since 2000, they have raised over \$47,000!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION

BEYOND VIOLENCE Cheryl Cerasoli at (570) 759-0298 Domestic violence shelter in Berwick, PA in need of those able to man the hotline or to provide child care Thursday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S CENTER Bloomsburg, Andrea Helwig 784-6632 To help end domestic violence and sexual assault against women and children. Help with e.g. office work, housekeeping, hotline volunteers.

RELIGIOUS

CAMPUS CATHOLIC MINISTRY 353 College Hill, 784-3123. Father Don Cramer or Sister Deborah Borneman.

PROTESTANT CAMPUS MINISTRY Marjorie Fisk 389-4950

MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY 1-888-227-5445 The organization is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION (570) 286-0663 Dedicated to reducing disability & death from cardiovascular diseases

Boxtops4education.com SOLVE office 224 SSC 389-4788 Clip box tops from products like General Mills Pillsbury (check web site for list). Schools receive \$ for educational purchases. Clip, collect & drop off at SOLVE

COMPEER PROGRAM Lori Bonker, W. Main St. Bloomsburg, 784-9583. Become a friend or mentor through a 1 to 1 match by calling, visiting, or being a Pen Pal. Run through the Mental Health Association.

DANVILLE STATE HOSPITAL Renee Metzger (570) 271-4549 Residential facility for those with chronic mental illness. Volunteers provide activities & interactions with patients to provide a more enjoy time.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF COLUMBIA & MONTOUR COUNTIES (570) 784-1454,

hfhcm@secretcouriers.com, Volunteer to help build safe and affordable homes in addition to several other volunteer opportunities

GEISINGER MEDICAL CENTER Lynn Shearer, (570) 271-6230, <http://www.geisinger.org/volunteer.html>. Try to place volunteers in area of interest (e.g. Child Life, Courier).

Requires: a 3 month commitment, must volunteer at least once a week, application, interview w/ volunteer manager, drug and health screening, and criminal background check (at hospital's expense).

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION W. Main St. Suite 202, Bloomsburg Lori Bonker at 784-9583. Public education, resource referral, advocacy and community based service programs on behalf of the promotion of mental health. Mental Health Walk at the end of April.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF DANVILLE Joan Williams @ (570) 214-1792. "Home away from home" for families with ill children. Volunteers needed to cook meals, be desk attendants, special projects, collect tabs, etc.