



Among Volunteers

March 18, 2010

Volunteer Appreciation Open House

In appreciation of your volunteer commitment and dedication to elders, you are invited to stop by to pick up a special gift between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. at our Volunteer Appreciation Open House on *Saturday, April 17, 2010.

The Open House will be held at our St Paul Office at:
Atrium Building
1295 Bandana Blvd N
Saint Paul, MN 55108

Enjoy breakfast pastries, fresh fruit, & good coffee. Sign up for a chance to win some fabulous door prizes, including a 26" Westinghouse flat screen t.v.!

You may bring one guest. Please contact Carolyn Swenson at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org to RSVP by April 8.

*If you are a Friendship and Flowers volunteer, please note that all pick ups will be made from our St Paul office that morning.

Volunteer Opportunities

EASTER PREP

Needs: **1-2 food/supply deliverers**

Where: Pick up at Minneapolis office and deliver to Prom Center
484 Inwood Ave N, Oakdale

When: Monday, March 29 in a.m. (time flexible)

EASTER DAY

Needs: **5 drivers** (11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)

2 Metro Mobility Companion volunteers (12:00 to 3:00 p.m.)

1 meal delivery volunteer (1:00 to 3:00 p.m.)

Where: Prom Center
484 Inwood Ave N, Oakdale

When: Sunday, April 4
Event time is from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

Needs: **5 drivers**
Where: Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly
1845 E Lake St, Minneapolis
When: Thursday, March 25 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **2 drivers (St Paul)**
Thursday, April 29 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
3 drivers (1 Minneapolis; 2 St Paul)

BINGO

Needs: **4 drivers (Minneapolis - 1 driver only needed for rides home)**
Where: Minneapolis League of Catholic Women
207 S 9th St, Minneapolis
When: Tuesday, April 13
Drop off 9:30 a.m./pick up 12:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP AND FLOWERS

Needs: **8 deliverers (4 Minneapolis; 4 St Paul)**
Where: Pick up only at LBFE St Paul office
1295 Bandana Blvd, Ste 165, St Paul
When: Saturday, April 17 from 9 to 11 a.m.

BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Needs: **2 drivers (1 Minneapolis; 1 St Paul)**
Where: Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly
1845 E Lake St, Minneapolis
When: Wednesday, April 21 from 12 to 2:30 p.m.

For more information on these opportunities, please contact
Carolyn Swenson at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org

Easter Food Needs

LBFE is in need of food for our Easter dinner on Sunday, April 4.
Would you be interested in providing any of the following items?

Bananas - 30 lbs
Butter - 8 lbs, quartered
Ginger Ale - 6 2 liter bottles
Grapes - 30 lbs
Pineapple - 24 20 oz cans or equivalent, crushed
Stuffing - 24 lbs dry

Please contact Carolyn Swenson at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org if you are interested in donating any of these items. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed For NEW Advisory Group

LBFE will be creating a Volunteer Services Advisory Group in summer 2010. Group members will attend quarterly meetings to provide guidance, creative ideas, and recommendations to LBFE staff. Topics that the Advisory Group will discuss include volunteer recruitment strategies, volunteer recognition ideas, volunteer satisfaction surveys, and more! If you have been a LBFE volunteer for at least a year, and have a desire to improve Volunteer Services, please contact Carolyn Swenson at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org to learn more about this important new venture.

Training Opportunities

Volunteers are invited to attend upcoming in-service sessions hosted by LBFE. All in-services will take place at the Minneapolis office at 1845 East Lake Street.

Thursday, April 15, 1 to 3 p.m.

Topic: Becoming a Global Citizen: A Look at the Situation of Elders in Turkey & China

Presenters: Louise Anderson and Gretchen vander Linden of LBFE

CEUs available

Contact Mary Beth Gustafson at least one week in advance at (612) 746-0728 or mgustafson@littlebrothersmn.org to RSVP.

Orientation Sessions

You are cordially invited to attend our upcoming Orientation and Basic Training session. New and experienced LBFE volunteers will learn more about the organization's history, current programs, and the future of older adults in Minnesota. Discussions on working with older adults, volunteer motivation, and current agency policies are included.

Wednesday, March 24, 5 to 8 p.m., 1295 Bandana Blvd, Ste 165, St Paul

Saturday, April 10, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1845 East Lake St, Minneapolis

Wednesday, April 28, 5 to 8 p.m., 1295 Bandana Blvd, Ste 165, St Paul

Contact Carolyn Swenson at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org to RSVP.

LBFE Office Hours

Normal business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Volunteer Department Information

For questions, inquiries or referrals, please contact Carolyn Swenson, Director of Volunteer Services, at (612) 746-0753 or cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org