

St. Aloisius Community Volunteer Program



St. Aloisius
Medical Center
SMP Health System

- July 09 -

Sources of Strength

Wells Co. Mentoring * Faith in Action

Senior Companions * Hospice

St. Aloisius Long Term Care

Pastoral Care * Precious Goodbyes

ALIVE * Nurturing Program * RSVP

Dear Mentors, Youth, Volunteers and Friends,

Loving God,

May my words and actions, especially my smile today reflect
my desire to treat others as I would want to be treated.

May this prayer of St. Teresa guide and direct me today:

“Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Yours are the hands with which Christ can bless the world.

Yours are the eyes through which

he can shine compassion on a troubled world.

Yours are the feet with which Christ walks about doing good.”

May it be so!

All glory to you, God of love and compassion.

Amen.

Mentoring

Just another reminder that I am taking over the duties that Ruby Franklin was doing, so please direct questions, monthly report information, etc. directly to me.

Relay for Life

We are still selling raffle tickets for a quilt made by Isolde Grauman. Tickets come in books of 12 and cost \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Let Donna know how many books you would like to sell.

Our silent auction (in the front lobby of St. Aloisius) will continue until midnight, June 2nd. Thanks to everyone who brought items.

There will be a cookie sale in the front lobby of St. Aloisius on Tuesday, July 7th. Team members are asked to bring some cookies by 10:00 a.m. and everyone is asked to stop and buy some cookies from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. that day.

The Relay for Life walk is on July 10th, with the kick off beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Harvey High School track.

Long Term Care:

We have several things that we need volunteers in the nursing home for. Our annual resident family picnic will be held on July 9th with volunteers needed from 4:00-7:00 pm. We hope to find someone to assist residents to “Music in the Park” concerts this summer and we are still looking for volunteers who could take people for short walks (with their wheelchairs) or just sit outdoors with them. We would also like to have someone read to patients who have Alzheimer’s and/or play a musical instrument. If you could help with any of these, please contact Denise Martin.

Hospice:

Thank you to everyone who has had your annual TB tests done. If you have not yet done so, please contact Beth Huseh at 324-4651 as soon as possible.

Senior Companions:

We have an opening for a senior companion and there appears to be a need for one more person. If you know of someone who may be interested, please have them contact the St. Aloisius Community Volunteer Program as soon as possible.

Faith in Action: Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!

Congratulations to our
Mentor of the month,
Chamonix Martin
and our volunteer of the month,
Karen Slaamot.
You are appreciated!

Mentoring/Community Activities:

Teen mentors, please note that you must attend a minimum of 80% of the scheduled monthly activities to be eligible for scholarships. Activities are open to anyone in the community who would like to participate (unless otherwise specified). You do not have to be a part of our volunteer or mentoring program to join us.

Harvey Public Library Summer Reading Program – June 8th – July 15th. This year's theme is "Be Creative at the Library". Remember, reading makes you smart. It takes you places. Call the library for additional information.

Mark your calendars!

Thursdays - 2:00-3:00 pm. Summer reading program at public library

July 10th - Relay for Life Walk

July 13th - Second session of swimming lessons begins

July 20th - 24th - VBS at Seventh Day Adventist Church

July 27th - Third session of swimming lessons begins

July 31st - August 2nd - Harvey Fest

Thought to Ponder:

Remain in me and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. John 15:4

St. Aloisius Website: Check out what's going in your community by logging onto the St. Aloisius website at <http://www.stalouisius.com/>.

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2009 VBS Schedules

Attention Parents and Kids! Check out this great opportunity to have some supervised fun and learn about Jesus! Most programs are inter-denominational and there is typically no charge to participate. Consider attending one (or more) of these great Vacation Bible Schools.

First Lutheran in Harvey

June 2nd – June 5th

Tues.-Thurs. 9:00-3:00 – Friday 9:00-Noon

Program: Thurs. 7:00 pm

Pre-registration is open now. Call 324-2548 to register.

St. Cecilia Catholic Church

June 15-19th for ages 5-10

The Blessed Virgin Mary

To register call Heidi Muscha at 324-4325 or Karen Muscha at 324-2443.

Martin Baptist Church

June 22-26th

Evenings

6:15-8:30 pm on Monday through Thursday

7:00 pm on Friday. Family supper followed by program.

Contact Kim Rott at 465-3470 to register.

Seventh Day Advent Church

July 20-24th

Times to be announced.

No need to register.

Victory Baptist Church

Camp Victory Bible Camp

Held the last week in July (21st-25th) starts at 4:00 on 21st – Noon on 25th.

Open to ages 8 through 20

To register, call Pastor Dyck at 324-4415

\$45.00 per child. Includes meals and everything they need.

The Lord said to Joshua, "Stand up! What are you doing down on your face?...Go, consecrate the people." Joshua 7:10,13, NIV

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Do Something!

There are times, I have found, when praying is not enough. God says, as it were, "What are you praying for? Do something!"

Moses, hotly pursued by Pharaoh, cried out to God, who replied, "Who cries unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward." (Exodus 14:15, KJV)

After Israel's ignominious defeat at Ai, the desperate Joshua prostrated himself in prayer before the Lord, only to hear Him say, "Why do you lie upon your face? Israel hath sinned." (Joshua 7:10-11, KJV).

If our hearts are listening as we pray, we will from time to time hear, "What are you praying for? Do something!" And we will know what it is we must do. There will be a wrong to put right, a sin to confess, a letter to write, a friend to visit or a child to be rocked and read to.

C.S. Lewis suggested that as we pray, Christ stands beside us changing us. "You may realize that," he wrote, "instead of saying your prayers, you ought to be downstairs writing a letter, or helping your wife wash-up. Well, go and do it." And again, "I am often, I believe, praying for others when I should be doing things for them. It's so much easier to pray for a bore than to go and see him."

And so it is with us. We must be quick to pray, and just as quick to obey.

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Prayer for the Day:

Father, please open my eyes when I am stalling and refusing to do the things You have commanded. Grant me boldness to do the things I think are unpleasant or difficult.

Taken from "Letters from Ruth's Attic – Insights for Knowing God's Love" by Ruth Bell Graham