

September 2008

Dear Friends:

As always, I am amazed at the outpouring of support of the House mission from all of you. And so, we would like to celebrate your continued kindness by inviting ALL of our volunteers (Friendly Faces, Gardening or Cookie Committee, etc) to come to our *Volunteer Appreciation Picnic and Gathering* Sunday, Sept. 21st from 5-7 pm. Come and enjoy the fun, see old friends and make new ones. We will be serving hamburgers and hotdogs, chips, beverages and desserts. Please bring a lawn chair and, if you would like, a side-dish to share (but don*t feel obligated) Hope to see you all! Any questions? Call or email Lois Self: 815-751-6152; lois.self@gmail.com (<mailto:lois.self@gmail.com>)

Also, we have several opportunities for you to help us and we are looking for help with several things. Please think about assisting us wherever you can.

1) Our Friendly Faces calendar has several open dates and times on the calendar.

Please consider renewing your commitment to volunteering by filling in some of these dates (if you have already been trained as a Friendly Face). Please stop by the House or call or email Lois Self: 815-751-6152; lois.self@gmail.com (<mailto:lois.self@gmail.com>) to add your name.

2) If you have been considering joining our mission as a volunteer, please come to our next *Volunteer Orientation* Sunday, Sept. 21st 4-5 pm at the House to learn more about the various ways in which you can get involved. Have questions? Contact Joyce Mathey at jam151@aol.com (<mailto:jam151@aol.com>) or 815-895-3803.

3) We need someone with a pick-up truck to help us take our pop-can collections to Dimco and to pick up salt for our water softener occasionally. Want more info? Contact Mary Lou Eubanks at maryloueubanks@cs.com (<mailto:maryloueubanks@cs.com>) or 815-751-2120.

4) We need extra hands with the yard work during the fall season, specifically with weeding and-sooner than many of us would like--with raking. If you enjoy working outdoors, stop by at your convenience and grab a rake or a yard waste bag (stored by garage service door). The Beautification Committee will be very grateful for your assistance. You

can let them know what you accomplished by jotting down your work in the gardening journal. The journal is kept in the black mail box that sits on the ground in the flower bed near the lower level entrance. Need more info? Contact Trish Williams at 630-513-8149 or trishwhome@comcast.net (<mailto:trishwhome@comcast.net>)

THANK YOU!

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