



News You Can Use

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“Every individual has a place to fill in the world and is important in some respect whether he chooses to be so or not.” ~Nathaniel Hawthorne

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1) Volunteer Opportunity of the Week:

Paws and Claws Camp Volunteers, Interns and CIT's

People who love and are comfortable with kids and animals are needed to help supervise campers and lead activities in the Monroe County Humane Association's Paws and Claws Camp. Volunteers must be available for at least one full session of camp. Session 1 (June 8-12 from 2-5:30 p.m.) and Session 2 (July 13-17 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.) are for 7-9 year olds. Session 3 (Aug. 3-7 from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.) is for 10-12 year olds. Volunteers attend a pre-camp training session and CIT's aged 13-16 require a \$25 fee.



Indiana Equality Pride Event volunteer opportunities (that's the ticket!)

The Indiana Equality Field Operations Committee is seeking volunteers to attend several upcoming Pride events across Indiana:

- Saturday, June 6th – Northwest Indiana Pride Parade (Gary)
- Saturday, June 6th – Spencer Pride
- Sunday, June 7th – Evansville Pride
- Saturday, June 13th – Circle City Pride (Indianapolis)
- Saturday, June 20: Kentuckiana Pride (Louisville)
- Saturday, June 27 - Rainbow Richmond Pride Picnic
- Saturday, July 25 - Fort Wayne Pride
- Saturday/Sunday, August 1-2 - Northalsted Market Days (Chicago)

This is a great opportunity to meet new people, make new friends, and to advance the cause of equality for all Hoosiers.

If you are interesting in helping, please contact Indiana Equality at ieinfo@indianaequality.org or call (888) 567-0750.

2) Leadership Opportunity of the Week:

Experiential Learning Open House

HY Venture, Inc. is a teambuilding/cohesion strategies business in Bloomington. We can travel to any location and provide the challenge programming at the Waycross Camp and Conference Center Challenge Course.

What: a chance to learn about our team building course and resources we offer to promote the development of leadership skills and to enhance positive group dynamics.

When and where: Saturday June 13th from 10am - 2pm; free teams course day at the Waycross Camp and Conference Center

Please let them know if you would be interested in sending someone by no later than Friday May 29th.

Why should I come?

- Explore ways your organization can benefit from experiential learning activities.
- Learn about the skilled facilitators of Hy Venture, Inc. and the many types of programs they offer to foster individual and group learning experiences.
- Learn about the unique environment Waycross offers in beautiful Brown County, as a conference and retreat center serving faith, educational and non-profit organizations.
- You will have hands-on team building experiences. We'll also provide a tour and lunch.

Please feel free to look at their website for more information as well: www.hyventure.com.

Contact: Scott or Jenifer at Waycross office at 800-786-2267 or Laura Hanna at HY Venture at 812-606-2265.

3) Upcoming Events

Monroe County Circles™ Initiative, part of a nationwide campaign to end poverty

What: Needs volunteers to staff Youth Program

Where: St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 3rd and the bypass behind Starbucks

When: Thursday evenings, 6:00 – 8:30 – **current need for summer staffing critical**

Why: To create community across race and class lines, provide supervision and mentoring for children of low-income families as parents attend trainings and meetings that will help them transition out of poverty, and become involved in an effort to eliminate barriers that keep impoverished families from getting ahead.

For more info: email Circles™ Coordinator Bonnie Vesely: bonnie@sccap.monroe.in.us or phone 812-339-3447, ext. 218. See our Facebook page, "Circles – Working Together to End Poverty."

4) Additional Opportunities

Looking for a fun getaway?

Try a canoe or kayak trip with White River Outfitters in Shoals, IN. The length of your river trip is up to you- make it a day trip or stay for the weekend in one of our cabins! Large groups are welcome. Visit www.whiteriveroutfittersonline.com for more information!

New Episode of Cultural Lens to Air

A new episode of Cultural Lens has begun airing on Channel 3. The new episode features the voices of senior citizens in Monroe County and will be aired on Channel 3 at 8 p.m. May 23, and at 3:30 p.m. on May 24. Cultural Lens, a quarterly television show produced by local volunteers, is designed to highlight and celebrate the incredible diversity and richness of Monroe County. If you have feedback about the show, or would like to help produce future episodes, please e-mail culturallens@gmail.com.

American Red Cross

American Red Cross Distributes Free Hot Dogs and Drinks

Come by and visit your Monroe and Owen County American Red Cross representatives on Saturday, May 23 from 9am – 1pm at Babbs Super Valu in Spencer. Red Cross employees and volunteers will be giving away free hot dogs and drinks at the annual Memorial Day weekend event. Donations will be accepted but are not required. This is a great chance to meet and greet Red Cross workers, ask questions about the Red Cross programs and services, and eat a free lunch!

Blended Learning: Adult, Infant & Child CPR / AED / Standard First Aid

The Monroe County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering a Blended Learning Adult, Infant & Child CPR / AED / Standard First Aid course on May 26 from 6-10pm. This class trains lay responders to overcome any reluctance to act in emergency situations, to recognize and care for life-threatening respiratory or cardiac emergencies in adults, infants, and children, and provides the knowledge and skills necessary to use an automated external defibrillator (AED) on an adult. For more information or to register, call the Red Cross at 332-7292 in Monroe County and 829-9233 in Owen County. The American Red Cross is proud to be a United Way Member Agency.

First Aid / CPR / AED Challenges

The Monroe County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering First Aid/CPR/AED Challenges on May 28 from 1:00-4:00pm. This class allows participants to update their certifications in CPR, First Aid, and AED without completing the individual courses. Students must take a written exam and demonstrate proficiency in each skill they wish to challenge. For fee information and to schedule an appointment for a challenge, call the Red Cross at 332-7292 in Monroe County and 829-9233 in Owen County. The American Red Cross is proud to be a United Way Member Agency.

First Aid for Dogs and Cats

The Monroe County Chapter of The American Red Cross is offering a First Aid for Dogs & Cats course on May 30 from 9am-12:30pm. Participants will learn how to keep their pets safe during an emergency situation. This course teaches individuals how to provide immediate and temporary care to an animal until it can be taken to a veterinarian. Moving an injured animal, checking vital signs, caring for breathing and cardiac emergencies, and controlling bleeding are just a few of the topic covered. For registration and fee information, call the Red Cross at 332-7292 in Monroe County and 829-9233 in Owen County. The American Red Cross is proud to be a United Way Member Agency.

Part-time Farm Internships @ Hoosier Hills Food Bank

Hoosier Hills Food Bank is seeking committed and enthusiastic individuals interested in assisting with HHFB's first year of growing on a half acre of granted land on the property of Strangers Hill Organics! Internships are unpaid,

voluntary positions and will begin in May through October. Interns will work roughly 10 hours per week, more or less depending on the needs any given week. Please direct a cover letter and resume to HHFB Volunteer Coordinator, Kim Kanney, at volunteer@hhfoodbank.org.

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