

Medfield Volunteer Directory



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS CAFE 2010

What Can You Do? What Do You Need?

VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES IN MEDFIELD

To include your group in the final version (May 2010) contact Bob Luttmann at:

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GROUPS NEEDING VOLUNTEERS

MEDFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging mission is to foster an atmosphere of wellness by addressing the emotional, social, physical and often, spiritual needs of individuals and their families during the aging process. Our focus is to enhance the quality of life and promote independence through the sharing of information, programming, services, and referrals to appropriate agencies. We are looking for volunteers to help drive our Seniors to medical appointments, shovel snow in the winter, clean up yards in Fall and Spring, teach a class at the Center, be a Friendly Visitor to a homebound Senior, help with our yard sales and deliver Meals on Wheels. Teens to retirees can contact Susan Bernstein at 508-359-3665 to inquire about these opportunities.

MEDFIELD TV

Medfield.TV is committed to providing opportunities for people of all backgrounds and all skill levels to use our channel to communicate with their neighbors.

Do you enjoy good programming on Television?

You can create your own shows, be the talent, work in production and utilize your computer skills. Volunteers are always welcome! There are many opportunities to learn how to help in production and programming.

Find out what you can do and we will train you to make it happen.

Exclusively at Medfield.TV.

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MEDFIELD YOUTH OUTREACH

Medfield Youth Outreach

Director: Dawn Alcott Email: medfielddyouthoutreach@yahoo.com

Medfield Youth Outreach is an organization, under the auspices of the Board of Health, which serves local youth ages infant to eighteen and their families. The office provides free and confidential counseling, help with access to financial assistance programs, information and referral, community programming, and crisis intervention to Medfield residents. The office also facilitates various groups, programs, and services within the community that are related to the needs of youth and their families. The programs offered are often prevention and psycho-educationally based.

Medfield Youth Outreach is currently seeking volunteers in the following areas:

- Adults to host or be trained to lead parent coffees regarding teens and substance use.
- Adults to assist in the implementation of National Depression Screening day.
- Adults with a background in mental health counseling or social work to assist in community outreach projects.

MEDFIELD GREEN

What we do:

Medfield Green is dedicated to supporting Medfield in "learning and sharing how to live green". To accomplish this we hold 4 - 6 meetings a year, as well as participate in several outreach activities. We have held meetings on many topics including water, recycling, green cleaning, plastics, and composting. We cover a wide range of subjects and are always eager to hear topic suggestions from our community.

What we need for volunteers:

Anyone interested in assisting us can help plan meetings or take on a role in group leadership. We are currently looking for someone with web graphic design experience, a secretary, and fundraising specialists. In addition, we use volunteers for the town's Medfield Day and our own Medfield Green Day, which is our one-stop collection event. We also require volunteers in order to coordinate and execute outreach activities, such as fielding a team for the annual Charles River Cleanup.

To reach us:

Contact us at info@medfieldgreenmoms.org or Cheryl Durr Patry at 359-8790.

Visit our website, www.medfieldgreen.org

MEDFIELD ANGELS - NEIGHBORHOOD BRIGADE

Our mission is to provide care and comfort to families in temporary crisis and to support volunteer organizations in Medfield. We currently have 284 volunteers signed up as Angels and have already filled many needs. If you have not yet signed up please click on our link

www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/623485/login

Once you are signed in as an Angel you will receive emails about volunteer opportunities as they come up. There is no pressure or obligation to volunteer.

Also, if you or someone you know needs an angel please contact Laurie Nealon 508-359-9876 or Kathleen Cahill 508-359-7138. Your requests can be confidential and we can work through a family representative.

MEDFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

For volunteer opportunities at the Library contact the Library at 359-4544

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Medfield Library raise money through membership dues and book sales to fund materials and programs at the library. We welcome volunteers to help sort book donations, staff book sales, plan programs, and maintain membership mailing lists. If you are interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities with the Friends of the Medfield Library, please email us at MedfieldLibraryFriends@gmail.com.

MEDFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Medfield Historical Society (www.medfieldhistoricalsociety.org) was established in 1891 to preserve, protect, and share Medfield's history. The society presents five informative and entertaining programs evening programs each year that are free and open to the public...and puts on other members-only events. In addition, the society provides educational programs for students in the Medfield school system.

The society building is located at 6 Pleasant Street, right behind the library. The building is open the first and third Saturdays of the month from 10 am to 12 noon. Curators and other volunteers help visitors who stop in seeking to conduct historical research...or just to have a look around.

Since 1924 the society has owned the Peak House, one of the few surviving examples of post-medieval English architecture in the U.S. The Peak House is at the corner of Main and Pound Streets and is open Sunday afternoons in the summer from 2 to 5 pm.; tours are conducted by curators and other volunteers.

The society is always looking for volunteers to help visitors with historic research at the society building on Saturday mornings and at the Peak House on summer Sunday afternoons. Volunteers are also needed at the evening programs to help set up and take down exhibits and serve refreshments.

VINE LAKE PRESERVATION TRUST

Vine Lake Preservation Trust was organized to preserve, enhance, interpret, and celebrate Medfield's historic Vine Lake Cemetery founded in 1651.

The Trust welcomes for these projects: beautification (designing and implementing natural improvements), preservation (cleaning and resetting gravestones), education (assisting in the delivery of tours and programs), and research (conducting gravestone inventories). More information about volunteering can be found at our website www.vinelakepreservationtrust.org

DWIGHT-DERBY HOUSE

Volunteers Are Needed At The Dwight-Derby House!

The Dwight-Derby House is one of the oldest houses in America. It was purchased by the town of Medfield, in 1996, to save its history and to be used by the town. Since then, most of the rooms have been restored with only a few remaining. With so much restoration done, the house now can be used in the way it was originally intended. With this use the need for volunteers is great. Here are a few ways you can help.

- Handy Man
- Grounds Keeper
- Fundraising
- Tour Guide
- Webmaster
- Publicity
- Event Planner
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Grant Writer
- Gardner

If you have any time and talents we need you. Please contact Cheryl O'Malley at 508-359-7264. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF THE LOWELL MASON HOUSE

Lowell Mason is *The Father of Music Education in the United States*, and revered and honored by music educators across the country. He was a talented composer who wrote the Christmas carol Joy To The World and the music to Mary Had A Little Lamb. He was born in Medfield in 1792, in a house now at 25 Adams Street. To save the house and make way for development, the Friends of the Lowell Mason house are working to relocate and renovate the house.

We need volunteers in the following areas:

- Fundraising
- Construction
- Marketing and Publicity
- Grantwriting
- Historic Preservation and Building Reuse

For more information visit: www.lowellmasonhouse.com. Or contact Bob Luttmann at rluttman@robertluttman.com or 359.9577.

MEDFIELD HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS

MHS Boosters, Inc. is a nonprofit volunteer organization, which provides athletic, academic and co-curricular support to the students and staff of Medfield High School. (We are the CSA of the High School). Some recent contributions include:

- . Football Helmets
- . Teacher Appreciation Events
- . LCD projectors
- . Scholarships
- . Physics Laboratory equipment
- . "Virtual field trip" webcams
- . Teacher Conferences
- . Weight Room improvements
- . Faculty "Inspiration" Award

We seek members who want to get involved, have fun, and help the High School thrive.

Board and Committee Chair positions currently open for 2010-2011 include:

- . Co-President
- . SCRIP Coordinator
- . Liason for Italian Groceria or Friendly's Night Events
- . Or join the General Membership to help in whatever capacity you would enjoy!

Contact Co-President Martha Festa at mafesta@comcast.net (359-5991) for more information.

NEADS (DOGS FOR DEAF AND DISABLED AMERICANS)

NEADS (Dogs For Deaf and Disabled Americans), of Princeton, MA, is a non-profit organization established in 1976, to train and provide independence to people who are deaf or physically disabled through the use of canine assistance. The dogs go to children (<http://www.caninesfordisabledkids.org/>), soldiers (<http://www.caninesforcombatvets.org/>) deaf people, and people with many different handicaps (<http://www.neads.org/>) .

Weekend puppy raisers or WPRs are volunteers that take a puppy out of a local prison at least three weekends a month for

GROUPS PERFORMING COMMUNITY SERVICE

MEDFIELD HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS

COMMUNITY TEENS

Advisor: Erik Ormberg Email: eormberg@medfield.mec.edu

Community Teens strives to promote awareness, active involvement and commitment to community. We model unselfishness and volunteerism in the pursuit of dedication to the betterment of our community and surrounding communities.

FRIENDS OF RACHEL

Advisor: Gwynne Sawtelle Email: gsawtelle@medfield.mec.edu

The Friends of Rachel Club is a group inspired by the story of Rachel Scott, the first student killed in the 1999 Columbine High School shooting. Rachel was a young woman who believed in the incredible power of kindness, and she lived consistently by that value throughout her short life, treating everyone she met with respect and decency. After her death, her family launched "Rachel's Challenge" in the hopes that she might be a model for others and start a chain reaction of compassion. The MHS group works to encourage an atmosphere of respect at Medfield High School and to spread kindness outside our immediate circle by completing community service projects. See their web site for more info: www.rachelschallenge.org/main.php

STUDENT COUNCIL

Medfield High School Student Council is a governing body within the school that provides an open forum for student expression. The focus of this council is to allow students to voice ideas, concerns, or thoughts they may have. Representatives and officers are encouraged to develop leadership skills to carry them beyond high school that will enable them to demonstrate exemplary citizenship in the future. The council strives for the betterment of the school and other communities.

MONTROSE SCHOOL

Montrose School is an independent college preparatory day school for girls in grades 6-12 located on North Street in Medfield.

The mission of Montrose is to educate the whole person. One way of carrying out that mission is to perform acts of service.

We serve for the good of the other. At Montrose, we aim to live by that motto every day in different ways. Serving others may take the form of a lunch duty, tutoring a peer, donating to someone in need, playing with a handicapped child or singing for the elderly. The Spirit of Service (SOS) Club is an organization that provides opportunities for the Montrose Community – students, parents, faculty and staff, to give of themselves. We encourage students to volunteer as their time and schedules permit.

If you would be interested in having a Montrose student help out in your organization, please contact Ellen Baker, Director of Advising & Parent Enrichment. Our school hours are 7:55AM-3:05PM.

BLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL - SIPS (STUDENTS INVOLVED IN PUBLIC SERVICE)

Students Involved in Public Service coordinates community service projects or Blake students to help others locally, nationally, and internationally. Projects have included Coffee and Cookies at Tilden Village, Haiti Relief, Blake's Earth Month activities, and the annual Coats for Kids Drive. SIPS is open to all Blake Students.

For more information contact: Tracy Allen (tallen@MEDFIELD.MEC.EDU)

MEDFIELD LIONS CLUB

Performs a variety of community service projects with their motto "We Serve".

For more information contact: Ron Gustavson (rongus@verizon.net)

Or visit: www.medfieldlions.org

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