

Volunteer Views

The Cultural Center of Charlotte County

January '09
10th Edition



It is such an honor to be able to work with all of you. The volunteers have always been the lifeblood of the Cultural Center, and it makes me feel privileged to have the opportunity to be able to manage the Volunteer Program, and get to be more hands on with you.

I want you to know that my door is always open to you for suggestions, and I am willing to listen to any concerns you have to better our second home. Without your support and ideas, our Center would not be what it is today.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of your lives.

Joan



Ed Dessart 1/1
Theresa McCarthy 1/2
Josephine Becker 1/4
Vicky Ducasse 1/4
Ruby Glen 1/4
Peggy Bradley 1/8
Gayle Bates 1/8
Vange Pollack
Al Baum 1/10
Pat Prill 1/11
Rita Cullen 1/17
Dennis King 1/18
Wanda Tamulewicz 1/18
Mary Lou Magill 1/19
Markie Riggle 1/19
Mary Jane Baxter 1/20
Mary Anne Webb 1/22
Doris Hopkins 1/25
Carmen Rivera 1/25
Lila Gerlach 1/26
Theresa Mang 1/28
Allyce Wohleber 1/29
Rose Conforti 1/30

THANK YOU

The key to our success rests in people like you, who embody the spirit of greatness by saying, "Yes I can, and so can you!" Thanks for your inspiring dedication and tremendous example to the world.

With gratitude in our hearts for your contributions to our cause, we wanted to thank you as our personal round of applause. The credit for our good deeds firmly rests with our dedicated volunteers. Thank you!

Thank you so much for all of your hard work and to bear witness to your passion was an unexpected perk. We never could have asked for a more dedicated volunteer and words cannot express how grateful we are to have you here. It is a pleasure and a privilege to work with you.

Thank you.
~ Author Unknown



Thank You for Donating Your Time to the Cultural Center!

90 going on 45

Fred Mack celebrates a birthday



It isn't every day that someone celebrates their 90th birthday, especially a person who has been a regular at the Cultural Center for several decades. So, when Fred Mack decided to celebrate this historic birthday, he not only invited his daughter Jackie and son Fred, but also everyone attending Fun with Music, held every Monday from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm!

Fred had a special cake with his picture and the inscription, "Born in 1918 and still raising hell." We wish you many more years of fun and hell-raising and appreciate the many hours you have volunteered at the Cultural Center over the years.

Sno-Ball

Friday February 27, 2009

12pm-4pm

\$25.00 per person



Live Entertainment

Dinner

Champagne

Coronation of Lord and Lady Sno

For more information please call 941-625-4175 ext.253

Sour Cream Chicken Risotto

Cook time: 15 minutes

Ingredients:

10oz pkg, garlic rice and vermicelli mix

1-1/2 cups water

9oz. Pkg frozen diced fully cooked chicken

2 cups frozen peas and carrots

1cup of sour cream

1/2 cup of grated Parmesan cheese

Preparation:

Prepare the mix according to package instructions, adding a cup more water. Five minutes before rice is done, stir in chicken and peas and carrots.

Cook until rice and pasta are tender, stirring frequently. Remove from heat and stir in sour cream and cheese. Cover and let stand 5 minutes before serving. Serves 4 people



Helpful Hints from Heloise

10 Minute Tidies– Easy and quick tips to get your home spick and span-FAST!

ZAP OUT GRIME

Here is an easy way to clean your microwave. Put 1cup of water, and a lemon, lime, orange or 2tbsp of vinegar, into a microwave-safe bowl. Turn microwave on high for several minutes. After, do not open the door for 15 minutes. This will allow the mixture to do its work! After the time is up, remove mixture, and wipe down.



SAY CURTAINS TO DIRT

Use the upholstery attachment of the vacuum cleaner because it does wonders not only to brush away the dust, but also to remove and contain the dust. If there's a valence above the curtains, dust the top!

KEEPING YOUR OVEN CLEAN

If something spills over while baking, pour table salt on it, and when the oven is cool, you will have a much quicker cleanup. Give the oven window a good rubdown with vinegar and water.



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REFER A FRIEND AND RECEIVE \$20 GIFT VOUCHER

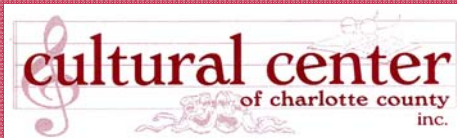
Love the Cultural Center? Share it with your friends! If any volunteer refers someone to sign up to become a volunteer at the Cultural Center, you will receive \$20.00 Gift Voucher!

Your Name: _____

New Volunteer you referred _____

New Volunteer Phone Number _____

Date _____



Volunteer must stay active for 6 months from start date, and work 50 hours for eligibility

Submit Your Ideas

This newsletter is not only to keep you informed of what is happening around the Center, but to showcase the lives of our volunteers.

If there is something you would like to see in this newsletter, submit your story, poem,

pictures, and ideas to Donna !

We will try to publish it in the next month's newsletter.

Hope to see you in print!



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Volunteer Ice Cream Social February 20 2:00 pm Palm Room



Let us thank you for your dedication to the Cultural Center. Join us each month for our Volunteer Ice Cream Social. Take a break and relax with your friends and fellow volunteers as you enjoy some great ice cream! The Ice Cream Social will take place during the third week of each month, at 2:00 p.m., on a rotating basis. Last month, the Social was on the third Thursday in January; this month the Social will take place on the third Friday in February.

Don't miss out on what is sure to be a fun time. Call Joan at (941) 625-4175, ext. 215 for any questions you may have. See you at the Ice Cream Social!!!

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Upcoming Events



- 1/28 Bingo Extravaganza
- 1/31 Flea Market
- 2/7 Pantyhose Free Zone Expo
- 2/11 New England Theme Luncheon
- 2/13-2/14 Arts & Crafts Bazaar
- 2/20 Ice Cream Social
- 2/27 Sno-Ball 12p-4p

Welcome to the Cultural Center!

The Cultural Center would like to recognize these new volunteers!



- Kathy White;**
Happy Helpers
- Cindy McGaffey;**
Happy Helpers
- Carolyn McConnell;**
Administration

VOLUNTEER SUGGESTIONS

Please fill out any suggestions or concerns you may have, and give to Joan Robbins, or put into the suggestion box in the Fountain Room

Name _____

Phone _____



Volunteer Opportunities

Trash and Treasure-Cashiers needed for various shifts

Cul-Cen Cafe- 6 volunteers are needed for Cashiering and serving

The Learning Place-Volunteers needed at Front Desk on Fridays and Mondays

Data Entry- Various dates and times. Must be knowledgeable on computers

Donations & Development- Volunteer needed with experience in fundraising, donations and development of financial requests

Newsletter-4 volunteers needed on the 15th of each month for collating the newsletter

Fitness Salon-Volunteers needed on Tuesday & Thursday afternoon

Grant Writer- Experienced Grant Writer willing to help write grants

Membership-Volunteer needed to help sell and promote memberships.

Volunteer Liaison-Volunteer needed to help with volunteer placement, records, and badges

Internet Liaison-Volunteer needed to help grow internet sales

Anyone with interest in any of these positions please see Joan or call (941)625-4175 ext.215

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