



Volunteer Spotlight



RSVP Christmas Tree Viewing

Tree-Mendous Christmas Experience
at the Jasper County Historical Museum

Hours 5 pm-9 pm Fridays, Saturday,s and
Sundays in December (closed Christmas
Eve)

NEW: New Matinee Hours

1 pm-3 pm

Sunday 12/19

Wednesday 12/22

\$5 for ages eight and over

FREE for ages seven and under

See our RSVP tree
and have your picture
taken with it!



MLK Day of Service Event

Are you interested in helping to collect
Personal care items for the local Salvation
Army?

Volunteers are stationed at various stores
around town in 2 hour shifts on Martin Luther
King Jr. Day seeking donations from
customers.

For more information or if you would like to
sign up, please call Jasmine at 641-792-6433.



Christmas Carolers needed

Do you like to sing?
Do you like to make others smile?
Do you LOVE Christmas?



If you answered yes to any of these questions,
please let Jasmine know as she sets up dates
and locations.



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Want a friend to join?

Hey there! Do you know someone who would be interested in joining our volunteer program? We're looking for enthusiastic individuals passionate about positively impacting the community. If you have a friend who fits the bill, we would love to hear from them! Don't hesitate to refer them to us, and let's work together to create a better world for all. Thank you!

Recruit a new volunteer and get a prize!!

As we are recruiting, Sarah and I would love to invite you or a friend to an RSVP Informational Session on January 18th, 2024, from 10 am to 11 am to learn more about other volunteer opportunities and about RSVP in general.

November Social – Christmas Memories

Volunteers who were at the November Social were asked to share a fall/winter Holiday Memory with the group. Below are some of our volunteer's favorite memories:

My grandfather had us choose a toy we liked to give to someone who had little. It developed a feeling of sharing and gratefulness. I often thought of what to give starting in October. – Christine Pauley

When I was eight years old, my three brothers and I received a Lionel electric train. My dad attached the rails to a piece of plywood. We took turns at the controls. We could change speed, turn on and off lights and operate crossing signal. We all enjoyed it. – Bruce Coyle

My 13-year-old birthday Christmas- rainy day. My dad woke my brother and me up and said holgs were out. We grumbled and got dressed. Walked into the barn, and I saw my brother's bicycle, and he saw my horse.



RSVP Socials

December 14th, 2023 9am-10am

January 11th, 2024 9am-10am

Birthdays

December:

- 3- Albert Gregory
- 8- Dixie Casady
- 8- Loretta Tool
- 14- Renee Manley
- 14- Jackie Woods- Goodwin
- 19- Lonnie Barton
- 19- Marcia McFall
- 21- Pat Drew
- 21- Karen Kriz
- 22- Marilyn Samson
- 23- Joann Danks
- 23- Ted Huisman
- 24- Christine Pauley
- 28- Theresa Goeke
- 28- Carla Robeson
- 30- Toni Peska

January:

- 1- David Schafer
- 2- Julia Higgins
- 5- John Carl
- 5- Bruce Maach
- 6- David Drew
- 12- Lisa Painter
- 17- Larry Pauley
- 19- Butch Hedberg
- 20- Kerry Balbiani
- 24- Eloise Froah
- 31- Penelope Rasmussen

VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR THE MIND, BODY, AND SOUL!

1. It's good for your mental health: Volunteering keeps the brain active which contributes to mental health. Meaningful and productive activities can help you feel happier and have a more positive outlook on life. Let's stay engaged together with Jasper County RSVP!
2. It prevents loneliness and isolation: Social isolation is a major issue that many older adults face. Getting out into the community (and attending our awesome socials!) promotes socialization. 😊
3. It gives you a feeling of purpose: Having a sense of purpose through volunteering can help older adults feel recharged with a new zest for life. It can also be a motivating factor in time-management, having a schedule, and accomplishing goals. Yay!
4. It helps you meet new friends: Volunteering is a great way to meet new people with common interests. Jasmine and Sarah have enjoyed meeting all of you and look forward to getting to know each of you!
5. Volunteering increases physical activity: Physical activity is highly important when it comes to staying healthy and independent as we age. Volunteering keeps you moving. We love seeing you here at the ISU Extension Office!

Sudoku #1

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3			4			5		8

Jasper County Ride Drivers Needed

Do you like to drive and meet new people?
We are looking for volunteer drivers to take qualified clients to medical appointments in and around Jasper County.

Mileage is reimbursed.

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9.

DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5 Volunteer Hour Sheets due today	6	7	8 Driver's Mileage Reimbursement Due today	9
10	11 9am-10am RSVP Council Meeting	12	13	14 9am-10am RSVP Social	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Pen Pal Letters due today	28 9am-10am Jasper Co. Ride Driver's meeting	29	30
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JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Volunteer Hour Sheets due today	6
7	8 Driver's Mileage Reimbursement Due today	9	10	11 9am-10am RSVP Social	12	13
14	15 MLK Holiday Event	16	17	18 10am-11am RSVP Informational Session	19	20
21	22	23	24 2 pm-3 pm Newsletter Helpers	25	26	27
28	29 Pen Pal Letters due today	30	31			



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Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 8am-4:30pm
Friday 8am- Noon

Jasmine Bailey - RSVP Program Coordinator

Sarah Patterson - RSVP Grant Manager

RSVP ADVISORY COUNCIL

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| Jackie Woods-Goodwin | Diana Cumpton | Pepper Self |
| Violet Bakalar | Linda Schafer | Terry Townsend |
| Chantelle Lundberg | Arlene VanVoorhis | Bill Ward |

Next Meeting:
December 11, 2023
9am-10am

REMINDER

Federal grant requirements state that all volunteers must record their hours on a time sheet with hours approved by the station supervisor and submitted to the RSVP office. Please be sure to record your volunteer hours on your timesheet for EACH time you volunteer. Thank you for your attention to this very important detail. Please turn in all volunteer time sheets on a MONTHLY basis. If you need additional sheets, please call Jasmine at 641.792.6433.

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