



THE VOLUNTEER CENTER
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The Volunteer Times

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January 31 — Memory Café Volunteers

Friday, January 31: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (plus other dates listed below)

Brown County will host a new memory café at Barkhausen Waterfowl Preserve in Suamico on four occasions in 2020 (additional dates are March 27, September 25, and December 4). If you are age 21 or over and enjoy the company of others, the elderly, and those with early memory loss, and can initiate and contribute to the conversation, assist with an indoor/outdoor activity or craft, assist with s'mores by the fire or hot chocolate, or play table games, this may be the volunteer opportunity you are looking for. These memory cafés provide a safe place where individuals with early memory loss and their companion/caregiver can socialize with others on the same journey, engage, relax, and have fun. A packet of volunteer materials, including a background check, will be provided upon request and must be completed *before* you can start volunteering. **Contact** Connie Roberts at 920-412-9960 or croberts@curativeconnections.org.

February 9-March 15 — Basketball Volunteers

Sundays: 1:45-3:00 p.m. (ages 10-14) OR 2:45-4:00 p.m. (ages 6-9)

The Green Bay YMCA is seeking volunteers to help with Sensory Swishers, their recreational basketball program for children ages 6-14 diagnosed with autism disorder or other sensory processing challenges. Volunteers will help participants achieve success in the physical, social, and emotional components of a team sport. The program will also provide fundamental basketball skills, rules of the game, and team scrimmages. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or volunteer@greenbayymca.org.

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February 15 — Rails & Ales Volunteers

Saturday, February 15: 5:00-9:30 p.m.

The National Railroad Museum needs volunteers ages 21 and older to help at their Rails & Ales event. Duties include raffle sales, silent auction attendant, game attendant, prize distribution, vendor support, and clean-up. **Contact** Scott Lozar at 920-437-7623 x13 or slozar@nationalrrmuseum.org.

February 15 and 29 and March 14 and 28 — Training Run Volunteers

Saturdays, February 15, 29, March 14 and 28: 6:45-9:00 a.m. (approximately)

Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity, a charity partner of the 2020 Cellcom Green Bay Marathon, is looking for volunteers to serve as water station attendants at the Prevea Training Runs. If you like the atmosphere of training for a marathon, but don't like to run, this opportunity is for you. Duties include setting up a water station at a designated corner in Green Bay (all supplies will be provided) and keeping glasses full and ready for the runners. After the last runner has passed, volunteers will clean up, break down the table, and leave supplies there. No running is required. **Contact** Jennifer Maier at 920-593-5785 or jmaier@greenbayhabitat.org.

Looking Ahead

March 1 — Bridal Show Volunteers

Sunday, March 1: various shifts, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

On Broadway, Inc., would like volunteers for their Bridal Show on Broadway event. Duties include set-up (9:00-11:00 a.m.), ticket sales or coat check (10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.), and tear-down (2:00-4:00 p.m.). **Sign up** at www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e45a8ae2da5ff2-2020 or **contact** Sam Maass with questions at 920-569-3436 or samantha@onbroadway.org.

March 5 — Fundraiser Volunteers

Thursday, March 5: 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Literacy Green Bay is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older to help with their Scrabble Bee fundraiser. Duties include assisting with set-up, selling raffle prizes, helping the judges and participants when questions arise, and/or running new game materials. **Contact** Robyn Hallet at 920-435-2474 or rhallet@literacygreenbay.org.

March 5 — Purse Bingo Volunteers

Thursday, March 5: 4:30-8:30 p.m.

The Center for Childhood Safety is in need of 10 volunteers ages 18 and older to help with registration and other duties at their fun, high-energy Purse Bingo event. If you have a group of friends you'd like to volunteer with, this is the perfect opportunity. **Contact** Emily Gossens at 920-272-0110 or egossens@ccsgb.org.

March 21 — Craft Beer'za Crawl Volunteers

Saturday, March 21: 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

On Broadway, Inc., is looking for volunteers for their Craft Beer'za Crawl event. Duties include selling tickets, checking IDs, and giving out wristbands. **Contact** Sam Maass at 920-569-3436 or samantha@onbroadway.org.

March 28 (*new date*) — Father/Daughter Dance Volunteers

Saturday, March 28: 2:30-5:30 p.m.

The Green Bay YMCA would like volunteers ages 14 and older to help at their father/daughter dance. Assistance is needed with set-up, clean-up, check-in, cookie decorating, arts and crafts, and serving refreshments. Location: Broadview YMCA, 380 Broadview Dr., Green Bay.

Contact Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or volunteer@greenbayymca.org.

March 28 — Race Volunteers

Saturday, March 28: 8:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The Center for Childhood Safety is in need of volunteers to help at the Badger State 10K. Opportunities include helping with registration and packet pick-up, serving food, helping at the finish line, and cheering on/directing the runners on the course. **Contact** Emily Gossens at 920-272-0110 or egossens@ccsgeb.org.

March 31 and April 2 or April 7 and 9 — Water Safety Volunteers

Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 31 and April 2 OR April 7 and 9: 4:00-5:30 p.m.

The Green Bay YMCA is seeking volunteers to assist with their Safety Around Water (SAW) program, which aims to provide elementary students from at-risk schools a hands-on water experience. This gives these children the skills and knowledge necessary to recognize, prevent, and avoid aquatic emergencies. With the help of the Y Aquatic staff and dedicated volunteers, kids will complete Longfellow's WHALE tales (an age-appropriate water safety classroom experience) and a four-day, in-water safety lesson. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or volunteer@greenbayymca.org.

Ongoing Opportunities

Volunteer Overview Sessions

Mondays, 5:30 p.m.

Circles Green Bay is offering sessions where prospective volunteers may learn about opportunities to help with their program. They are seeking volunteers ages 18 and older who want to impact multiple generations and are interested in building relationships with households who are goal-oriented, motivated, and seeking a supportive circle of friends. The sessions include a meal and a meet-and-greet. **Contact** Jennifer Schmohe at 920-593-3474 or jens@gbcc.me.

Junior Achievement Classroom Volunteers

Dates and times vary; 45 minutes per week for 5-7 weeks

Want to make a difference in a child's life? Junior Achievement – Greater Green Bay Area is in need of volunteers ages 18 and older to go into the classroom and teach students about financial literacy, including how to use money, how to budget, getting ready for the workplace, and starting their own business. All volunteers go through a brief training and are given grade-specific curriculum. **Contact** Christine Williquette at 920-336-1444 or cwilliquette@javis.org.

Volunteer Drivers

Flexible weekday schedule, 4- to 5-hour shifts, either morning or afternoon

Curative Connections is in urgent need of volunteer drivers who are at least 18 years old and have a good driving record. Duties include driving seniors and people with disabilities to and from appointments and offering door-to-door assistance as needed. Vehicles, gas, and insurance are provided. No CDL is required, but individuals will undergo a background check. **Contact** Tina Whetung at 920-227-4272 or twhetung@curativeconnections.org.

Pet Companion Volunteers

Flexible schedule

AseraCare Hospice is seeking individuals ages 18 and older who specialize in sharing their trained pet with persons who are ill or lonely. Volunteers would serve as companions to the patients, with a focus on encouraging and enhancing interactions with their certified pet. **Contact** Alison Holbrook at 920-339-9065 or alison.holbrook@aseracare.com.

Fish Hatchery Volunteers

Seven days a week, 7:00-9:00 a.m. or 4:00-7:00 p.m.

The Farmory would like volunteers to help monitor and care for yellow perch eggs, larvae, and fingerlings, as well as record research and observations. **Contact** Patty Casady at 920-593-3714 or patty@nwgreenbay.org.

Hospice Companion Volunteers

Flexible schedule

AseraCare Hospice is looking for volunteers to spend time with their patients, providing companionship and emotional support. This is a very flexible and rewarding opportunity. Any volunteers under age 15 should be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Alison Holbrook at 920-339-9065 or alison.holbrook@aseracare.com.

Electrical Function Tester Volunteer

Monday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.

If you are a bit of a gadget fan (figuring out how they work and making sure they are safe to use), this is a great volunteering role for you. St. Vincent de Paul's West location needs volunteers to test the electrical equipment donated to them to make sure it is suitable and safe for sale. **Contact** Joyce Aiello at 920-435-4040 x107 or joycea@svdpgb.org.

Blood Drive Volunteers

Various dates, flexible schedule (during regular business hours)

The American Red Cross would like volunteers ages 18 and older to assist at blood drives doing tasks such as registering people, handing out snacks, and interacting with donors.

Contact Lee Borofka at 920-737-9974 or lee.borofka@redcross.org.

Volunteer Guardians

Flexible, based on needs of the ward

Brown County Health and Human Services is seeking individuals ages 18 or older to act as legal guardians, which are decision-makers and advocates for those who are incompetent due to aging, a developmental disability, chronic mental illness or alcohol and drug abuse (i.e., ward). Guardians ensure that the individual's rights to proper housing, nutrition, and medical care are met. A guardian is expected to visit their ward at least once a month and complete an annual report. A legal guardian does not financially support the ward, take care of the ward on a day-to-day basis, or personally provide a place for the ward to live. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov.

Scrabble Bee Planning/Preparation Volunteers

Through February, dates and times to be scheduled at volunteers' convenience

Literacy Green Bay is in need of volunteers ages 18 and older to assist with preparation for their Scrabble Bee fundraising event. Opportunities include being part of the event planning committee, helping recruit businesses and individuals to sponsor a table or donate raffle prizes, assisting in assembling silent auction baskets, and completing other related administrative tasks prior to the event. **Contact** Robyn Hallet at 920-435-2474 or rhallet@literacygreenbay.org.

Pals Volunteers

Two to three times per month

Brown County Health and Human Services would like volunteer mentors ages 18 or older to spend time in a recreational or learning activity with a child (age 3 or older) who has been referred by Brown County Child Protective Services. Mentors help the child adjust to the separation or loss of a parent, enhance self-esteem and confidence, and learn new skills. Matches are invited to attend a fun activity each month that is free of charge. Matches are based on compatibility and can continue for as long as both parties are interested, though it is hoped that volunteers would engage with their Pal for a minimum of one year. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov.

Girl Scout Assistant Leader Volunteer

Two hours every other Saturday, plus other events occasionally

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes would like an individual age 18 or older to help build girls of courage, confidence, and character by serving as an assistant troop leader in the East Green Bay, Sullivan Elementary School area. The volunteer will assist with planning and running troop meetings, as well as help with the upcoming cookie program season. All Girl Scout volunteers are background-checked. **Contact** Michaela Hofer at 920-955-3422 or mhofer@gsnwgl.org.

Parent Pals Volunteers

Two to three times per month

Brown County Health and Human Services is looking for volunteer mentors ages 18 or older to spend time with parents referred by Brown County Child Protective Services who have identified an interest in having an informal support in their lives. This often involves helping parents of minor children develop new skills that empower the family to live and function in a safe and healthy manner. Matches are based on compatibility and can continue for as long as both parties are interested, though it is hoped that volunteers would engage with their Parent Pal for a minimum of one year. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov.

Girl Scout Leader Volunteers

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older (out of high school) to help empower young girls by leading troops. This is a wonderful way to spend time with your family member while making a difference in your community. Training and resources are offered to all volunteers. Available openings:

De Pere

- Kindergarten leader for Susie C. Altmayer Elementary
- Kindergarten leader for Westwood Elementary

Green Bay

- 2nd and 3rd grade leaders for MacArthur Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for Howe Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for Sullivan Elementary
- Kindergarten leader for Baird Elementary

Howard

- Kindergarten leader for Meadowbrook Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for St. John the Baptist

Contact the Girl Scouts at 888-747-6945 or info@gsnwgl.org.

Visual Merchandising Volunteer

Monday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 1:00-4:00 p.m. or 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul's East and West locations would like volunteers to highlight and organize important, seasonal, and other merchandise to create a better shopping experience for everyone. **Contact** Joyce Aiello at 920-435-4040 x107 or joycea@svdpgb.org.

Bilingual Girl Scout Recruitment Volunteer

Days and times are as needed and vary, usually weeknights

The Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes would like volunteers ages 18 and older to assist Girl Scout staff members in recruiting Spanish-speaking girls and communicating information to parents. **Contact** Kayla Beyersdorf at 920-955-3404 or kbeyersdorf@gsnwgl.org.