

Celebrating the Holidays

We enjoy celebrating the holidays with the extended family of Little Brothers. It's more than serving a hot meal, it's about friendship. As much as our elderly guests enjoy attending, it has become a tradition for the volunteers. In an effort to improve our service and reduce confusion, we have decided to make a change. The Thanksgiving meals at our sit-down sites will now be served at 2:00 pm, the same time as the Christmas and Easter meal times. Our two dedicated home-meal delivery sites in Houghton and Laurium will continue to send meals out at noon.

Sit-Down Meal Sites and Time

Both Thanksgiving and Christmas Meals will be served at **2:00 pm**.

- St. Ann's Church, BARAGA
- Sacred Heart Church, CALUMET
- Church of the Resurrection, HANCOCK
- St. Ignatius Church, HOUGHTON
- St. Christopher's Catholic Church, MARQUETTE
- Horizons School, MOHAWK
- Holy Family Catholic Church, ONTONAGON
- Grace Lutheran Church, SOUTH RANGE
- Doelle Senior Center, TAPIOLA

Home Delivery Meal Sites and Time

Meals are ready to be delivered at **noon** on both holidays.

- Grace United Methodist Church, HOUGHTON
- Site to be determined, LAURIUM

Home Visit with gift and flower

Gifts can be picked up from Little Brothers and delivered on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day between **9:00 am and 1:00 pm** to our friends at the Houghton County Medical Care Facility in Hancock.

Volunteer Opportunities

We have many volunteer opportunities to choose from including cooking, baking, dining room set-up and clean-up, serving, driving, and more. Whether you have just one hour to share or the whole day, we can use your help.

To sign up to volunteer, please call 906-482-6944, return the enclosed volunteer response sheet, or register online at register.littlebrothers.org.

Volunteer Training

Please join us at one of our 4 holiday informational meetings. We will be discussing our philosophy, volunteer roles, expectations and will devote time to answering your questions. All are welcome!

Thursday, November 8th 6:00—7:00 pm

Little Brothers - 527 Hancock St.

Hancock

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Wednesday, November 14th 6:00—7:00 pm

St. Ann's - 318 Lyons St.

Baraga

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Thursday, November 15th 6:00—7:00 pm

Holy Family Catholic Church - 515 Pine St.

Ontonagon

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Friday, November 16th 6:00—7:00 pm

St. Christopher's - 2353 Badger St.

Marquette

2018 VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly is grateful for the support of the many volunteers who share their time and talents to provide friendship and services to the elderly.

YEAR OF SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

35 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Julie Beck

30 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Matt Bramble

Frank Brychta

Donna Cole

25 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Barb and David King

Judy Schaefer

20 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Merlin Slusarzyk

Jennifer and Scott Pugh

15 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Clark Koski

10 YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Marjorie and John Amos

Nancy Barr

Michelle Brychta

Sean Clancey

Joanne Edwards

Sharon Eklund

Raoul Goulet

Eugene Marion

Harold Rapson

Nick Roberts

Gabrielle Roberts

Jeff Veum



2018 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Violette Richards

This year the annual 'Mike Aten Volunteer of the Year Award' was presented to Violette Richards.

Violette wanted to get involved with volunteering to stay busy and give her life purpose. Her first assignment was to assist with a mailing but was soon recruited to assist with a more regular need, data entry.

Although it was a challenge at first, she was determined to learn something new. She has now been volunteering for five years and last year volunteered over 436 hours, coming in twice a week.

When she's not volunteering for Little Brothers, she is helping her church and other organizations by baking and knitting.



Violette Richards stands with Mike Aten upon receiving her award at the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Matt Bramble

Dave Geisler

Mike Kovachich

Joe Lallande

Jim O'Brien

Violette Richards

Judy Sellers

Alice Soldan

Ian Terry

Lorraine Tomasi

Bill and Toni White

Arlene Young

IN MEMORIAM

Anneliese Dupuis

1/15/1929—5/29/2018

Visited by Selina Lutzel

Mildred Klingkammer

3/3/1930—6/8/2018

Visited by Ren Olson

Gudrun Holstein

8/24/1944—8/29/2018

Visited by Alice & Ted Soldan

Jenny Mukka

6/8/1923—9/17/2018

Visited by Selina Lutzel

Jim Liberty

7/21/1933—6/8/2018

Visited by Joyce Koski

Charles Johnson

10/31/1915—7/9/2018

Visited by Joyce Koski

Henry Fredd

3/20/1922—8/31/2018

Visited by Joyce Koski



Sarah Hoffman, Elder Services Coordinator

My name is Sarah Hoffman. I am the new Elder Services Coordinator. I was born and raised in Saginaw, MI and graduated from high school in 2010. I attended Michigan State University where I received my Bachelor's degree in Social Work. I moved to Iowa for a short while and then to Grand Rapids.

I just graduated from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH with my Master's of Science in Social Administration. My family owns a summer home in Elk Rapids, MI near Traverse City where I love to go and relax. I enjoy outdoor activities, crafts, cooking, and puzzles. I have volunteered with Camp Quality MI, a camp for kids who have or had cancer, for many years now. I have a cat named Jefferson, and he has a lot of personality. I am very exciting to be living in Copper Country. This is a beautiful place, and I am happy to call it my new home.

Amy Juntunen, Activities Coordinator

I am married with a son who recently graduated. My son, Jordan has recently made us empty nesters as he moved in with his friend into a home in Hancock. Although I was saddened by him leaving, he made me a Grandma to a four legged little pup named Polaris. My husband Tom and I are currently living in Atlantic Mine with our four legged son, an Irish Setter named Gauge. He just turned seven. My husband works at Fed Ex as a courier. He also does carpentry on the side and is in the process of building our home! I have been involved working with the community and elderly for my entire life. You may recognize me from Lakeview Manor, Bridgefest, or Houghton County Medical Care. I wear many hats.

Volunteer Program Assistants

We also welcome the new generation of Volunteer Program Assistants from France and Germany: **Lorène Tonati, Jannik Filmar, Joachim Gonfroy, Noëlia Spranger, and Tom-Marwin Pohl.** Jannik is providing elder outreach in Ontonagon, and Noëlia is providing elder outreach in Baraga. Lorène, Joachim, and Tom-Marwin all provide elder outreach in Houghton and Keweenaw.

Please join us in welcoming them all to the Little Brothers—Friends of the Elderly family.

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527 Hancock Street
Hancock, MI 49930

The Rose

Volunteer Newsletter

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Be a *Friend*

We ask volunteer visitors to commit to visiting an elderly friend at least twice a month. But before you make that commitment, you have the opportunity to see if it's the right volunteer opportunity for you. During the holidays we need volunteers to provide special occasion visits. To make the holidays extra-special for our elderly friends, we deliver Christmas boxes of non-perishable food and personalized Christmas gifts. For the elders who can't join us at our holiday meals, we deliver hot meals to their homes on Thanksgiving and Christmas with a gift and flower.

Our mission is to relieve isolation and loneliness among the elderly; therefore with each of these deliveries we ask volunteers to stay awhile and visit to join the elderly in friendship and the celebration of life. These meaningful encounters break up long, lonely days many of our elderly friends experience.

If you are interested in learning more about being a volunteer visitor, please call Sarah Hoffman, Elder Services Coordinator at 906-482-6944. She'll be happy to answer your questions. We also invite you to our next volunteer orientation on Wednesday, October 24th from 6:00—7:00 pm at our office located at 527 Hancock Street in Hancock. There we provide a thorough overview of our programs, services, and volunteer opportunities and expectations. We look forward to seeing you there.

Congratulations to the Ford Mustang Convertible Sweepstakes '18 Winners



1st Prize of the 2010 Ford Mustang Convertible: **Teresa of Grand Rapids**

2nd Prize of the Door County, WI Weekend Get-Away: **Laszlo of Houghton**

3rd Prize of the \$250 Visa Gift Card: **Shelie of Painesdale**

4th Prize of Two Cords of Firewood: **Carolyn of Calumet**

5th Prize of a Dozen Assorted Jams & Jellies: **Denise of Lake Linden**

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Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly
Attn: Carol Korpela
527 Hancock Street
Hancock, MI 49930

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Please Join Us!

Every Thursday morning from 9:30—11:00am we host a coffee klatch at our office in Hancock. Please join us for coffee, donuts, and friendly conversation.



THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS 2018 VOLUNTEER RESPONSE SHEET

Volunteers over the age of 10:

NAME _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

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MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

If you provide your email, we will send you an email confirmation of your volunteer assignment.

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Have you volunteered Before? Yes No Would you like to receive the volunteer Newsletter? Yes No

Printed or Electronic? _____

I/WE WILL VOLUNTEER ON: Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day at the following site....

SIT-DOWN Sites and Volunteer Times:

- HANCOCK CALUMET HOUGHTON
 TAPIOLA SOUTH RANGE MOHAWK
 ONTONAGON BARAGA MARQUETTE
- cook (10am)
 dining room set up & greeting (12pm)
 serve (1:30pm)
 clean up (2pm)
 transport guests
 meal delivery (1:45pm for sites in bold above)
 musical entertainment (1:30pm)

NURSING HOME:

- HCMCF
- No meal will be provided.
Instead we will deliver a gift
and flower with a visit.
- Home Visit
- Gifts can be picked up from
Little Brothers between 9am
and 1pm Thanksgiving and
Christmas Day

DELIVERY Sites and Volunteer Times:

- GRACE UNITED METHODIST, Houghton
 LAURIUM site to be determined
- cook (8am)
 dining room set up & distribution (10am)
 meal delivery (11:45am)

I/WE CAN VOLUNTEER FOR OTHER HOLIDAY NEEDS:

- Deliver supplies to a site: _____ November 21st between 7am and 1pm _____ December 24th between 7am and 1pm
- Make Thanksgiving Treat Baskets Join the team to coordinate in-kind donations
- Decorate Grocery Bags Turkey Prep
- Bake desserts and Christmas cookies Make/Answer Phone Calls
- Office Clean Up: _____ November 23rd 10am _____ December 26th 10am

I/WE CAN ATTEND A HOLIDAY MEETING:

- November 8 in Hancock November 14 in Baraga November 15 in Ontonagon November 16 in Marquette

OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Food Drive Christmas Box and Gift Delivery Event or Medical Transportation Driver
 Christmas Box Wrap Christmas Light Tour Visiting Volunteer

For Office Use Only (do not fill out)

Date Received: _____

By: _____

Totals Board Registration Completed

Manual Master List Called into site