

Volunteers Recognized

Two of our volunteers are being recognized at the Post Retirement Ceremony at 2:00 pm, Friday, 30 January. Regrettably we cannot yet release their names as the post has not yet notified them of their selection. Join us at the ceremony and watch for information about these two outstanding individuals in our February newsletter.

Hospital Chairman

I think we can say that the Christmas Party was a success and that all that all those who attended had a good time. I wish all of the volunteers a happy and safe new year. Our next volunteer orientation is on January 13th. Again thank you for all that you do for the Red Cross.

LaRue Hill
Hospital Chairman

Mother's Outreach Program

The Mothers Outreach Program is going full steam ahead through the holidays thanks to our dedicated volunteers. **Amy McIsaac, Barbara Dolson, Karen Lewis, and Heidi Demasi** truly have the holiday spirit and without their help MOP would not exist. We are always looking for more volunteers with ability to talk to new mothers and give out very important information. Thank you and Happy Holidays!!!

Lisa Borja
MOP Chairperson

The Move

The American Red Cross is slated to move to 3-West in January, o/a 12 January. All leadership/program volunteers are asked to prepare their areas for the move—packing, discarding that which does not have to move, etc. contact Karen/Rachel/LaRue as

Holiday Party

The Red Cross Party was a smashing success and I would like to thank all those who participated. A special thanks goes out as well to **Karen Halverson, Shirley Hanson, LaRue Hill, and Al Totte** who helped in putting it all together; with out your help I would have been lost-thank you!

Two VIP's, **Dwayne Sessom and Robin Goddard**, were also recognized during the party. Dwayne is the computer technician from IMD who patiently and graciously helps out in the offices whenever there is a computer problem. Robin Goddard is another computer technician who helps to create the Red Cross Website here at Fort Sill. Both of these gentlemen go above and beyond the call of duty to help promote and ensure success for Red Cross volunteer programs. Thank you both Dwayne and Robin. A holiday gift was also given to all Red Cross volunteers. If you were

unable to attend and would like to receive your gift please stop by the office preferably on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Please pick it up by Friday, January 9th to reduce things we have to move.

January Calendar

1 January: Federal Holiday/HAPPY NEW YEAR

2 January: RACH Training Holiday; Red Cross Office will be closed

6 January: Nominations for Ft. Sill Volunteer of the Month are due to the Installation Volunteer Coordinator

8 January: Advisory Council Meeting

13 January: Volunteer Orientation @ 9

16 January: RACH Training Holiday

19 January: Federal Holiday/Martin Luther King Day

27 January: Volunteer Orientation @ 12:30

30 January: Ft. Sill Retirement Ceremony @ 2pm @ OPQ

JCAHO

We are pleased that RACH passed “with flying colors.” JCAHO stands for Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. JCAHO visited the hospital December 2-4 and performed an accreditation survey of the various hospital departments. Tho we are unaware of any survey team contact with any of our volunteers, we are proud of our readiness. Many thanks to all the volunteers for your patience and understanding and to **LaRue Hill, Carole Velas, Otis Richey, and Lisa Borja** for the extra effort regarding personnel records and other requirements.

Reminder

As the election campaign season moves into full swing, I want to remind all ARC volunteers of certain restrictions in reference to political campaigns and elections. The ARC Code of Conduct provides that volunteers will not: Publicly utilize any ARC affiliation in connection with the promotion of politics, religious matters or positions on any issue not in conformity with the official position of the ARC.

Not operate or act in any manner that is contrary to the best interests of the ARC.

As individuals you are of course permitted to associate with campaigns. The distinction made by the Code of Conduct is that your actions cannot be attributed to the ARC.

Thanks

Many Thanks to Rachel Snelgrove and committee for the BEST Holiday Party!

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