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March 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24 and 30-31 — Cookie Cupboard Volunteers

Saturdays and Sundays in March, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (whole-day shifts preferred, half-day shifts possible)

The Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes are seeking volunteers for their Cookie Cupboard. Duties include answering phones, retrieving voicemail messages, writing down cookie orders, filling orders, and completing a receipt for all pick-ups. Volunteers who can serve multiple weekends would be ideal, and those in 6th-12th grade must be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Brenda Duncanson at 920-955-3377 or bduncanson@gsnwgil.org.

March 6, 14, and 28, and April 4, 11 and 18 — Learning with Legos

4:40-5:40 p.m. each date

The Green Bay YMCA would like volunteers ages 14 and older who are interested in exposing 2nd and 3rd grade children to science and math through fun and engaging Lego projects. All materials, lessons, and training will be provided, and the learning takes place at Sullivan Elementary School. A six-week commitment would be ideal. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or laurie.zastrow@greenbayymca.org.

March 27 and April 1, 3 and 13 — Spring Adult Tutoring Workshops

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. OR 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Literacy Green Bay is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older who are interested in becoming tutors for adult learners who want to improve their basic reading, writing, and math skills, and/or to learn the English language. Attending the four three-hour training sessions will thoroughly prepare you to work with a learner. **Contact** Pamela Ninham at 920-435-2474 or pninham@literacygreenbay.org.

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March 29-30 — Badger State 10K Volunteers

Friday, March 29: 2:45-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 30: 7:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (various shifts)

The Center for Childhood Safety is looking for volunteers to help at the Badger State 10K. Various roles are available, including working the registration table to hand out packets, serving food, staffing the finish line, and being stationed throughout the course to cheer on and direct runners. Volunteers younger than 15 must be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Emily Gossens at 920-272-0110 or egossens@ccsgeb.org.

Looking Ahead

April 2 and 4 or April 9 and 11 — Water Safety Volunteers

4:00-5:30 p.m. each date

The Green Bay YMCA is seeking volunteers ages 16 and older for their Safe Around Water (SAW) program, which will assist in providing elementary students from at-risk schools a hands-on water safety experience. This experience will give them the skills and knowledge necessary to recognize, prevent, and avoid aquatic emergencies. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or laurie.zastrow@greenbayymca.org.

April 5-6 — The Big Event Volunteers

8:30-11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. or 1:30-4:00 p.m.

Encompass Early Education and Care is in need of volunteers ages 14 and older for their Big Event fundraiser. Volunteer opportunities include helping with children's activities in one of their many fun and unique booths, handing out giveaways at the door, serving food, and dressing up as a costume character. **Contact** Maria Gutsmedl at 920-785-9714 or mgutsmedl@encompasseec.org.

April 23 and 30 — WEE Winners Wear Helmets Volunteers

8:30-11:30 a.m. or 12:30-2:30 p.m. each date

The Center for Childhood Safety is seeking volunteers ages 16 and older for their event that promotes helmet, bike, and pedestrian safety in the community. Volunteers will be stationed in a classroom with a lead teacher and will assist children in following activities, fitting helmets, and guiding them as they ride tricycles on the mini-sized streets of Safety Town to practice safety skills. **Contact** Emily Gossens at 920-272-0110 or egossens@ccsgeb.org.

April 25-27 — Dance Recital Volunteers

Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26: 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 27: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or 2:00-5:00 p.m.

The Green Bay YMCA is in need of energetic and fun volunteers ages 14 and older to entertain young dancers between movements at the Y's dance recital. Volunteers should be prepared to play games, help with snacks, and make sure the dancers are ready for their next rehearsal or performance. Previous dance experience not necessary. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or laurie.zastrow@greenbayymca.org.

April 28 — Paws Parade of Hope Volunteers

8:15 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Cancer Fighters and Community Benefit Tree are seeking volunteers for their event that financially helps those battling cancer. The event honors pets for their healing presence in people's lives, especially for those facing catastrophic illness, and includes a pet fashion show, a silent/live auction, a wine pull, raffles, and a chicken dinner. Various volunteer roles are available, including loading the trailer with silent auction items (date/time to be determined), unloading trailers, helping with set-up, hauling auction baskets, setting up auction tables, and helping with take-down. This event takes place at the Riverside Ballroom, 1560 Main St., Green Bay. **Contact** Susan Gee at 920-304-2000 or pawsparade3@gmail.com.

Ongoing Opportunities

Now through April 19 — Spring Cleaning Volunteers

Weekdays, anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Heritage Hill State Park would like volunteers to help them clean their historic buildings in preparation for their upcoming season. Many buildings need help. This is a great opportunity for groups to volunteer. Heritage Hill also has an Adopt-a-Building program, where service organizations, businesses or groups can get recognition for their help and have the opportunity to give input on the use of the building they adopt. Volunteers under age 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. **Contact** Erin Comer at 920-448-5150 x109 or erin@heritagehillgb.org.

Student Mentors

Two to four hours a month for one year or longer; dates and times to be determined

Six-Twelve mentoring matches individuals ages 18 and older with eligible students in grades 6-12 at four area schools to help improve high school graduation rates. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Wisconsin is managing the volunteer application process, and will make and support the matches throughout the life of the match. For more information or to submit an application, go to bbbsnew.org/getting-started/become-a-mentor/ or **call** 920-498-2227.

Girl Scout Troop Leaders and Co-Leaders

Dates and times determined by volunteers

Do you want to make an impact in the lives of girls? Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes has several opportunities in the Green Bay area for troop leaders or co-leaders ages 18 and older. Volunteers will plan meetings and activities for girls, and encourage leadership skills. Volunteers are required to do a background check to participate and are asked to become registered members for \$25 (if the volunteer is unable to pay, financial assistance is available). Volunteers are supported by the Girl Scout Council and given specific training. For east Green Bay, **contact** Melissa Leaman at 920-955-3461 or mleaman@gsnwgl.org. For west Green Bay, **contact** Mallory Von Haden at 920-955-3355 or mvonhaden@gsnwgl.org.

Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteers

Once a week for one hour; dates and times vary

CASA is dedicated to providing a voice for abused and neglected children who are under the legal protection of the court system. They are seeking volunteers ages 21 and older to visit with a child weekly and submit a monthly report to the judge about the child's safety and well-being to help the judge make important decisions about the child's future. Volunteers will be professionally trained and supported by staff. **Contact** Sarah Quinette at 920-437-2272 x104 or sarah@casabc.org.

Art Cart Volunteers

Flexible days and hours

Bellin Health Systems is seeking volunteers ages 16 and older to bring a Bellin Expressive Arts in Medicine (BEAM) Art Cart to patients during their hospital stay, and offer an art or craft project to patients at no cost, along with a smile, and conversation. Art is part of the healing process, provides distraction from anxiety, and is calming and uplifting for patients and those who support them. The carts are stocked with art supplies and make-and-take projects. This is an extremely rewarding experience for an enthusiastic, positive, nurturing person who loves people. **Contact** Amy Eliason at 920-430-4674 or amy.eliason@bellin.org.

Child Care Volunteers

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Freedom House Ministries is seeking volunteers to provide child care, freeing up adults to take part in workshops and one-on-one help. This enables the parents to focus on getting things in order so that they can get back on their feet. It also provides a reprieve for the children, allowing them to play and to interact with community members who care about their future. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old unless accompanied by an adult.

Contact Crystal DeCleene at 920-432-4646 or crystaldecleene@freedomhouseministries.org.

Massage Therapist Volunteers

Flexible shifts, 1-2 hours per week

Aurora at Home Hospice would like kind and caring individuals ages 18 and older to share their time and talents with hospice patients and their families. The gift of a light massage to a bed-bound patient is invaluable. If you are a licensed massage therapist, please consider joining their compassionate team of hospice volunteers. **Contact** Miranda Demske at 920-412-6359 or miranda.demske@aurora.org.

Brown County Memory Cafés

Do you have three hours to spare just four times a year to volunteer? Do you enjoy initiating and contributing to the conversation? Can you assist with a craft or play a table game? That's all the Brown County Memory Cafés ask of their volunteers. The Brown County Memory Cafés provide a place where individuals with memory loss and their care partners come to have fun and socialize with others who are facing similar experiences. The volunteers support and interact with participants and caregivers to engage them in activity and conversation. In addition, volunteers will assist the Café Coordinator as needed with set-up, registration, the refreshment table, and light clean-up. No heavy lifting required. Before starting, all volunteers are required to complete a 20-minute online dementia awareness training course and a background check at no cost to them. A packet of volunteer materials will be provided upon request. Volunteers are expected to arrive a half hour prior to the café for set-up and remain for up to a half hour after for clean-up. If you enjoy the company of others, this may be the volunteer opportunity you are looking for. The Brown County Cafés meet once a month at the following locations and times:

Oneida Memory Café – 1st Tuesday of the month, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Contact Oneida Coordinator Debra Miller at 920-869-4854 or dmiller4@oneidanation.org.

Suamico Memory Café – 1st Wednesday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

NWTC Memory Café – 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

ADRC Memory Café – 3rd Wednesday of the month, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

De Pere Memory Café – 3rd Thursday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Denmark Memory Café – 4th Thursday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Contact Brown County Memory Café Assistant Connie Roberts at 920-412-9960 or croberts@curativeconnections.org.