

October 26th
VIA Minutes

Heartland Hospice

Guest Speaker: Brittney Bisel

Located in Pittson, PA but has opportunities in the Scranton area

Hospice provides comfort care, spiritual and emotional support

End of life care: palliative perspective, terminal care for those with 6 months or less

Regulates medications and quality of life (coordinates trips, visits, b-day parties...)

Really rely on help from volunteers; many roles available

Office Support Staff

Organizing charts, filing, taking phone calls, decorations

Friendly Visitor Volunteers

Visit with patients (read, watch TV, meal preps, decorate...)

Generally visit once a week

Bereavement Volunteers

Making phone calls to families who's had someone pass away

Hospice checks in with families for 13 months for continued grief care

Vigil Volunteers

Good opportunity for those going into the medical professions

Sit with patients who are actively dying

Make the time as peaceful and as comfortable as possible

This type of volunteering is NOT FOR EVERYONE!

All volunteers are trained (4 hrs for Office Staff, 14-16 hrs for all other volunteers)

Great opportunities for internships once you have become a volunteer

You can continue volunteering next year even if you need to stop for the summer

Volunteer applications are in the Campus Ministry Office.

Service Retreat Program

Contact: Fr. Brian Van Fossen, bfanfossen@newes.marywood.edu

Retreat will deal with service and outreach; will also attend the Sleepout on Friday night

“Footprints” will take place on Nov. 13, 14, 15

The cost is \$10

Sign up in Campus Ministry!

Thanksgiving Adopt-A-Family Program

Contact: Andrea Fritchey, afritchey@m.marywood.edu

Volunteers needed for preparing the baskets Campus Ministry is donating

Also need volunteers for Sat Nov 21

9-11am: prepare the baskets

11am-3pm: drivers and “tag-alongs” deliver the baskets (cars can be provided)

You may sign up for one or both time slots

Deadline to sign up is Nov. 13

Kidstuff

Co-chair applications for committees are due by Nov. 2 in the Campus Ministry Office

Sleepout for the Homeless

Contact: Beth Schneider, eschneider@m.marywood.edu

This is a long-standing tradition at Marywood, held on the Commons (across from LAC)

Fri. Nov 13 at 10pm through Sat. Nov 14 at 6am

Learn more about homelessness, and discover what it's like to be homeless

*Ugly Quilt sleeping bags will be provided for all in attendance

Sign up for this fun and eye-opening activity!

On-Going Service

Contact: Colleen Dunn, cdunn@m.marywood.edu

Jean Evens, a mother from the nearby area, is looking for a tutor for her 4th grade son

The son has ADHD, but he takes daily medication

The schedule is flexible; she is looking for 3 days a week

One person can do it, or a couple of people could divide up the days

Open Floor

Our Lady of Peace

Contact: Rachel Hoyt, rhoyt@m.marywood.edu

In need of volunteers to teach basic computer skills to the sisters

Writing emails, basic word document skills, etc.

Flexible schedule

OLP also wanted to know if there would be any interest in having a talent show It would be a nice performance for the sisters Right now, they are simply looking for people who may be interested

HallowGreen

Pugwash service program (collecting clothes and hard to recycle items from surrounding neighborhoods)

Volunteers are to gather at the Commons on Sat. Oct 31 at 4:30pm

Fall Fest

Looking for volunteers to assist in morning and afternoon set-up

Spring Break Service Trips

Applications due Nov. 13

Campus Ministry Van

Colleen Dunn and Rachel Hoyt are coordinators for the van

If anyone needs to use the van, fill out a form on the Campus Ministry website