



NORFOLK COUNTY RSVP VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

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Getting Ready for RSVP Volunteer Recognition 2016 at the Lantana on August 11th

We are excitedly getting ready for 'the big event'; our yearly Volunteer Recognition, where we take the opportunity to show our appreciation to all Norfolk County RSVP volunteers. This year's event is coming up soon on August 11th, from 12 noon to 3 PM at The Lantana in Randolph.

The theme of this year's Recognition is 'Sharing Your Volunteer Experiences' where a number of RSVP volunteers will share their volunteer work stories from the podium. Our luncheon meal will include: chicken piccata in lemon wine sauce and capers with mashed potatoes and broccoli, assorted rolls, dessert and hot beverages. (Special diets are accommodated; just let us know.)



Volunteers in attendance at Recognition 2015

Our entertainment this year will be provided by 'Sigy Moller and the Sound of Legends'.

As is customary, each attending volunteer will receive a special gift. And of course we will have our traditional raffling of Norfolk County area restaurant and services gift certificates, donated by

many generous businesses. If you have not yet sent in your reply card, and you are able to join us this year, please do so as soon as possible so we have an accurate count. Volunteers attend free of course. If you wish to bring guests, you are welcome to. The cost is \$20 per guest. The fun is just around the corner. We look forward to seeing you there!!



^ 2015 Norfolk County Sheriff's Color Guard

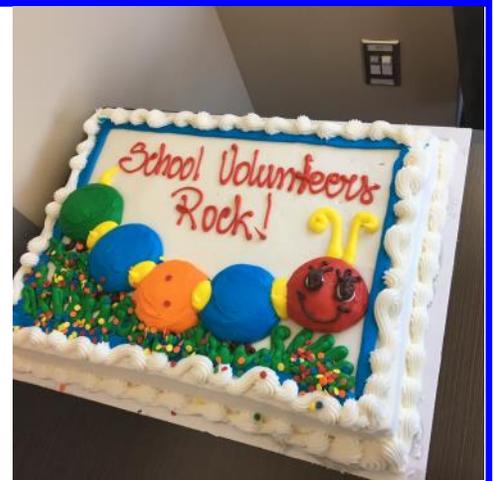
Guests of 2015 Recognition



RSVP School Volunteers Celebrate End of School Year

Twenty school volunteers and RSVP staff participated in our first annual, end-of-school-year celebration event. The event was held on June 23rd at the Walpole Library and included lunch, cake and coffee and some great conversation. The school volunteers had a chance to get to know one another, share and learn from each other's experiences, make RSVP program suggestions and have some fun in the process.

The RSVP staff also shared some exciting new changes in the RSVP school volunteer program that will roll-out this fall. School volunteers should expect more information on these changes later this summer. For any questions on the fall school program or to refer a prospective volunteer, please feel free to email Cris at cgoldsmith@norfolkcounty.org



Summer Volunteer Opportunities

Farming Volunteers and Farm Maintenance Volunteers at the Needham Community Farm

Farming Volunteers will assist with cutting, weeding, planting seedlings, washing, picking and packaging produce. Farm Maintenance Volunteers will assist with mowing, repairing and building new raised beds.

Salvation Army Food Pantry in Quincy

Sort and package groceries for patrons one or more days per week for a 3 hour shift. Or answer phone calls at the pantry one or more mornings per week from 8:30 -10:30 AM. Some lifting required.

Lunchtime Dining Site Volunteers in Needham, Brookline

Assist the Meal Site Manager in the daily operations of the lunch program, meeting nutritional needs while providing opportunities for companionship. Set tables, sign in participants at reservation table, assist with noontime meal serving and clean up. Sites in Brookline and Needham need volunteers through Springwell.

Please contact Cris or Robert at the Norfolk County RSVP office at 781-329-5728 for more information.

RSVP is funded in part by a national Senior Corps grant and sponsored by the Norfolk County Commissioners:

• Peter H. Collins of Milton, Commissioner

• Joseph P. Shea of Quincy, Commissioner

• Francis W. O'Brien of Dedham, Chairman



Roberta Poff: Outstanding Volunteer of the Quarter

Roberta Poff of Dedham have been an RSVP volunteer for over 5 years. She is a regular presence in the RSVP office, coming in once or twice weekly, helping all RSVP staff. The projects Roberta helps with include: making timesheet follow up calls, reviewing and filing volunteer hours for reimbursements, assisting with bulk mailing of our bimonthly newsletters and making calls to volunteers to get their viewpoints for our yearly survey .

Roberta also is a member of the RSVP Advisory Committee, helping with group decisions on recognition gifts and direction of our programs. We also rely on Roberta as our resident photographer, as she takes photos at our Veteran and Recognition events for printing in our newsletters and local newspapers.

Additionally Roberta volunteers as a performer with the Dedham Troubadours, who visit nursing homes and perform for older veterans and other residents.

We wish to honor Roberta as Outstanding Volunteer for the July –September 2016 Quarter with a \$10 gift card to Starbucks.; a simple token of appreciation for all that Roberta does for Norfolk County RSVP. Thank you Roberta for all your support in the office and a big thanks to all RSVP volunteers for all that you do !!!



June and July Volunteer Birthdays

Good cheer and a very happy birthday to all Norfolk County Volunteers born in July and August

Kelly Nelma 7/1	Muriel S. Moloney 7/19	Marie Zinkus 7/31	Dulcie Deeble 8/23
Janet McGrady 7/2	Catherine Devlin 7/21	Irene McMullen 8/3	Lloyd Smith 8/23
Karen Manning 7/4	Ellen Richman 7/22	Olabisi Aladesulu 8/4	Ellen Ogilvie 8/24
Mary Fallon 7/10	Al Mancuso 7/23	Theresa Kelly 8/5	Shirley Sickorez 8/25
Joan Mancuso 7/10	Anita Cady 7/24	MaryBeth Kruzinger 8/5	James Keenan 8/26
Florence Preisler 7/11	Regina Morse 7/24	Jean Bardizbanian 8/6	Frank Kirby 8/26
Janet Ruell 7/11	James Coffey 7/25	Judith Maloney 8/6	Walter McKay 8/26
Rose Edgerly 7/12	Mary Cox 7/25	Harvey Chansky 8/9	Ted Johansson 8/27
Joan Tilden 7/12	Bettyanne Lang 7/26	Lucy Loud 8/10	Linda Chute 8/28
Bradford Woods 7/12	Harriet Burak 7/28	Mark Snyder 8/11	Ginny Quinn 8/28
Joyce Jung 7/14	Donna Foster 7/28	John Vozzella 8/15	Patricia McDonald 8/30
Jo Ann Potter 7/15	Ann Murphy 7/28	Marilynn Miller 8/16	Robert Petitti 8/31
Tony Ragusa 7/16	Gordon Robins 7/28	Bonnie Snyder 8/16	
Sidney Hurwitz 7/17	Elena Landi 7/29	Tom Finn Jr. 8/18	
Chris Devins 7/18	Gale Rent 7/29	Sally McCusker 8/18	
Steve Eldracher 7/18	Monica Weiss 7/30	Frances Langille 8/22	
Ellen Dexter 7/19	Dan Kilburn 7/31	Joanne Damish 8/23	



PROFILE: RSVP Volunteer Fran Roberts

Fran Roberts joined RSVP as a medical driver at Norwood Hospital two years ago. Wanting to do more, this past year she also began volunteering at the Old Post Road elementary school in Walpole. Now she can't decide which activity she loves more.

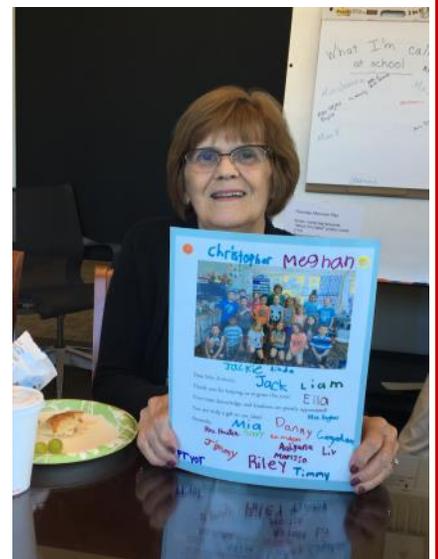
As a new school volunteer: "I never realized just how satisfying it would be working with first graders. I am amazed at how bright they are and how different their elementary school experience is versus my own."

A memorable moment: "For the last day of school, my first grade class created a poster-sized card signed by each of them to thank me for volunteering in their classroom. I cried. It was heartwarming and very special."

On volunteering: "I feel a real sense of accomplishment in giving back to people. What would you do otherwise with your time? I am able to be there for somebody, especially seniors. They just need to know that somebody cares, that somebody is there."

My RSVP experience: RSVP has added a quality to my life that I didn't have before. I am so appreciative of their ongoing support and guidance.

Personal tidbits: Fran worked at Northeastern U for 22 years as secretary to the VP of student affairs before retiring 12 years ago. She is happily married with 3 children and 7 grandchildren. Her connection to her church and ongoing bible study is very important to her. When not volunteering, she can also be found reading, doing crossword puzzles and knitting.



Fran Roberts proudly displaying her poster-size card given to her by her Old Post Road School students!