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SEPTEMBER 2004

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Improving Our Detroit Metropolitan Community Through Hands-On Volunteering

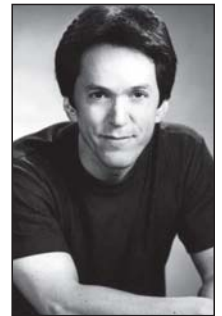
SAVE THE DATE

An Evening With Mitch Albom to Benefit Volunteer Impact Honoring Elizabeth Kanter Groskind with its "Founder's Award"

Thursday, October 14, 2004 • 8:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$50.00

All proceeds benefit Volunteer Impact



"A thread of purpose should run through our lives so that something of significance will link the years together."

– St. Francis of Assisi

Sponsor opportunities are also available. Sponsors are invited to a pre-glow with Mitch Albom at 6:30 p.m. featuring heavy hors d'oeuvres as well as priority seating. Contact Joan Bodnar at the VI office for sponsorship and advertising opportunities. See inside for sponsorship levels and advertising pricing.

Order your tickets by phone or by mail.

An Evening with Mitch Albom to Benefit Volunteer Impact – Thursday, October 14, 2004 at 8:00 p.m.

VISA _____ MC _____ AmEx _____ Personal Check Enclosed _____

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Tickets will be held at the door.

_____ Tickets Ordered _____ x \$50.00 = _____ Total Enclosed

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address (for ticket confirmation) _____

Mailing Address: 23077 Greenfield, Southfield, MI 48075 • Phone: 248-559-4950 • Fax: 248-559-4948

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST PROJECT COORDINATOR – Randy and Dorian Rushing

Randy and Dorian have been volunteers with VI for two years. They have volunteered at Habitat for Humanity, Gleaners, and the Ronald McDonald House – Detroit. The residents of the Ronald McDonald House look forward to the Sundays when the Rushing's are volunteers – it seems Randy is an excellent chef and brings very creative dishes to the pot-luck.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Adopt-A-Shelter • Saturday, December 4, 2004

An Evening with Mitch Albom to Benefit Volunteer Impact

honoring Elizabeth Kanter Groskind – Volunteer Impact Founder

October 14, 2004, 8:00 p.m.

Seligman Performing Arts Center at
Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills

Sponsorship Levels and Advertising Opportunities

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SPONSORS:

___ **Gold Sponsor** • \$5,000 • Full page ad with gold enhanced border • 10 tickets to Pre-glow with Mitch* • 10 signed books • preferred seating • proportional logo on title page

___ **Silver Sponsor** • \$2,500, Half page ad • 4 tickets to Pre-glow with Mitch* • 4 signed books • preferred seating • proportional logo on title page

___ **Bronze Sponsor** • \$1,000 • Quarter page ad • 2 tickets to Pre-glow with Mitch* • 2 signed books • preferred seating • proportional logo on title page

**The Pre-glow begins at 6:30 p.m. with abundant hors d'oeuvres and an opportunity to mingle with Mitch.*

ALL FULL PAGE ADS ARE 5x8"

AD SPACE:

___ Full Page • \$1,000 ___ Half Page • \$500

___ Quarter Page • \$250 (Business cards may be reset to fit vertical orientation)

___ Name listed on congratulatory page • \$50

___ Check here if camera-ready artwork will follow.

___ I am sending electronic art to bbrandvain@earthlink.net

___ I am not sending camera-ready artwork, text accompanies this form. Please typeset.

Journal Message _____

JOURNAL DEADLINE: Sept 8, 2004

"If your ad or artwork is not in by Sept. 8, it will read "Compliments of"*

___ Check (payable to Volunteer Impact) ___ Visa ___ MC ___ AMEX ___ Bill me

Card# _____ Exp. Date _____

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Company _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ELLEN SHERMAN AT esjsherman@aol.com
or RON ELKUS AT elkshirt@aol.com / (248) 546-0886

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THE VOLUNTEER IMPACT YOUTH BOARD JOIN AND MAKE AN IMPACT!

In its sixth year, Volunteer Impact invites students in the metropolitan Detroit area to join its 2004-2005 Youth Board. The VI Youth Board is comprised of high school students across the Metropolitan Detroit area from public, independent, parochial, and home schools. The Youth Board meets the third Wednesday of every month from 6:30-7:45 p.m. in the VI Offices. Amidst good food and good talk, the Youth Board plans youth-friendly social action volunteer opportunities and help to disseminate community service information to their schools.

With Governor Granholm's push for mandatory community service hours for high school students, VI anticipates its services will be in even more demand next year, and that the Youth Board will be able to provide a valuable service to our student Community. If you are a student or know a student who would like to participate, kindly share this information with them.

Volunteer Impact encourages all schools to refer our new and improved website monthly for community service opportunities. Website address: www.volunteerimpact.org.

If you have any questions or seek further information please contact one of the following Volunteer Impact Youth Board Co-Chairs.

Marcy Heller Fisher
248-647-7724
marcy@campfisher.com

Nancy Welber Barr
248-932-1230
nhwelber@aol.com



Youth Board
Co-Chairs:
Nancy Welber
Barr and Marcy
Heller Fisher
having fun at the
Parade Company
– the Youth
Board's project
for Hands On
Detroit Day 2004.

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Volunteer Opportunities for September 2004

Not only does community service allow each of us to grow personally, it enables us to reach out to others and break through barriers. Our society can only thrive when we emphasize the importance of serving others.

"Through community volunteerism, young people can gain experiences that build leadership skills-the ability to realize a vision, engage and develop others, and make things happen."

– Thomas A. Page

2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 THURSDAYS HADASSAH – DOLL MAKING



Make cuddly dolls for children in local hospitals.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: West Bloomfield
Volunteers: 5
Call: Eleanor Smith • 248-626-0762

4 SATURDAY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – DETROIT

Help build affordable housing. Volunteers need to be at least 18 years old, although 16 and 17 year olds may come if accompanied by an adult. Hard-soled shoes or work boots recommended. Bring a lunch and plenty of water.
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 20
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

4 SATURDAY MICHIGAN ANIMAL ADOPTION NTWK.

Help with an animal adoption fair.
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Location: Livonia
Call: Lissette MacFarlane • 248-474-2646

5 SUNDAY COTS

Prepare and serve lunch.
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 5
Call: Gloria Sarver • 586-293-1914

5 SUNDAY RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE ANN ARBOR

Bring a dish to serve for Sunday dinner.
Time: 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Ann Arbor
Volunteers: 8
Call: Dolores Oakley • 734-844-7649

CHOOSING THE RIGHT PROJECT



Kids 12 and younger may attend **Family Friendly** projects as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian.



Youth Projects are for teens 13-17 years old.



Singles Projects are designed for single adults.



Seniors – 55 years or older.

11 SATURDAY CITY OF SOUTHFIELD – PARKS & REC. AUTUMN FEST

Country Western Fair. Must be at least 15 years old to volunteer.
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Location: Southfield
Volunteers: 20
Call: Chris Redmond • 248-796-4616

11 SATURDAY GLEANERS – TAYLOR

Packing food boxes.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Taylor
Volunteers: 15
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

11 SATURDAY HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MACOMB

Help construct affordable housing.
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Location: Eastpointe
Volunteers: 14
Call: Mark Surmont • 586-772-4892 ext. 2#

11 SATURDAY KIWANIS NO. 1 CLUB

Sort books for distribution to Detroit Schools.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 20
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

11 SATURDAY MICHIGAN ANIMAL ADOPTION NTWK. SHOT CLINIC

Assist with registration and dog walking.
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Redford Pets Supplies "PLUS"
Call: Lissette MacFarlane • 248-474-2646

12 SUNDAY CHERRYWOOD NURSING HOME PET THERAPY

Bring your dog to visit with the residents.
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.
Location: Sterling Heights
Volunteers: 8
Call: Connie Carr • 586-465-5931
Email: ccarr@etdinc.com

12 SUNDAY RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE – DETROIT

Bring a dish to make a potluck feast for families who have children in the hospital.
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 8
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

16 THURSDAY ST LEO'S SOUP KITCHEN

Prepare and serve lunch.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 15
Call: Gloria Sarver • 586-293-1914

18 SATURDAY FOCUS: HOPE

Packing food boxes and delivery of food boxes.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 15
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

18 SATURDAY FOOD BANK OF OAKLAND CNTY.



Pack food boxes.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 15
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

18 SATURDAY DEARBORN ANIMAL SHELTER

Dog walking. You must be at least 14 years old.
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Location: Dearborn
Volunteers: 10
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950



18 SATURDAY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Location: Detroit
Volunteers: 20
Call: Volunteer Impact • 248-559-4950

18 SATURDAY NEW HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Pack food boxes.
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Melvindale
Volunteers: 10
Call: Kathy Lentz • 313-225-6205



19 SUNDAY ARDEN COURT OF BINGHAM FARMS ALZHEIMER'S ASSISTED LIVING

Assist residents with simple art and craft projects.
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Location: Bingham Farms
Volunteers: 5
Call: Andrea Ferriss • 248-644-8100 ext. 210

23 THURSDAY NEW HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Passing out food boxes.
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Location: Melvindale
Volunteers: 8
Call: Kathy Lentz • 313-225-6205



25 SATURDAY MICHIGAN ANIMAL ADOPTION NTWK. SHOT CLINIC

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: To be determined in City of Detroit
Call: Lissette MacFarlane • 248-474-2646

30 THURSDAY NEW HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Passing out food boxes.
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Location: Melvindale
Volunteers: 8
Call: Kathy Lentz • 313-225-6205





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TRIBUTES AND MEMORIALS

In Memory of: Mildred Rushing

Wishing a speedy recovery to Grace Potter

From: Randy Rushing

From: Mark, Sharon and Todd

There is no fee to volunteer, but you can show your support by sending your tax-deductible gift to help VI's mission to improve our community through hands-on volunteerism.

Yes! I want to support the important work of Volunteer Impact in our community.

I'm sending a gift of: \$500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$25.00 \$ _____

Name _____ Company/Group _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please make checks payable to Volunteer Impact or charge my tax deductible donation of \$ _____

To my: VISA MASTERCARD Card No. _____

Authorized Signature _____ Expiration Date _____

Thank you for your generous gift! You have made an impact!