

**Jackson Community Connections through Service participants**  
**September 25, 2006**  
**4-5:30 p.m. JCC Potter Center Cafeteria**

**Bennett Elementary** – Read Across America Day. Read one-on-one to students anytime on March 2, 2007 to promote reading and the love of books. [Aileen Baker at 517.841.2760 or [abaker@jpsmail.org](mailto:abaker@jpsmail.org)]

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Jackson** – Bigs in Schools program utilizes one-on-one mentoring with children from Jackson Public Schools for academic support and friendship. Also need volunteers for the BBBS community-based program [Lindsey Mackey or Cathy Heins at 517.784.7181 or [lmackey@bbbsjacksonhillssdale.org](mailto:lmackey@bbbsjacksonhillssdale.org) and [cheins@bbbsjacksonhillssdale.org](mailto:cheins@bbbsjacksonhillssdale.org)]

**Boy Scouts of America** – Work with youth in our Scoutreach units. Scoutreach provides programs in economically challenged areas access to at risk youth. [Valerie Herr at 517.782.0567 or [Val2mart@comcast.net](mailto:Val2mart@comcast.net)]

**\*Buddy Reading** – Buddy Reading is a one-to-one reading program using volunteers who mentor the same student each week. The goal is to assist students who need additional help to become successful readers and confident students. Volunteers assist students in reading selected books and help them complete storymaps on each. [Kathy Kelley at 517.849.9175 or [kkelley59@yahoo.com](mailto:kkelley59@yahoo.com)]

**Cascades Humane Society** – Help with lesson plans and do classroom presentations on humane education to school-aged children. [Tammy Crabtree at 517.788.6587x16 or [volunteer@chspets.org](mailto:volunteer@chspets.org)]

**Catholic Charities Respite Care** – Volunteer to assist caregivers of homebound 50+ year old Jackson County residents. Or volunteer for the My Companion Program for nursing home residents. Both provide companionship and supervision only. [Amanda Draper at 517.782.3878 or [rcjcccj2@yahoo.com](mailto:rcjcccj2@yahoo.com)]

**Community Action Agency** – Provide mentoring, classroom support, and social-emotional programming. [Brenda Webster at 517.784.4800 or [bwebster@caajlh.org](mailto:bwebster@caajlh.org)]

**Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (Child and Parent Center)** – Assist with monitoring for supervised parenting time. Be a parenting class educator, childcare worker, agency or development office volunteer. [Sarah Weber at 517.788.4445 or [sweber@childandparentcenter.com](mailto:sweber@childandparentcenter.com)]

**DaVinci Institute** – Volunteer as a classroom aid, assisting teachers with instruction. Or work in a classroom setting with individual students or small groups as needed. [Carol S. Waudby at 517.780.9980 or [cwaudby@davinцинstitute.org](mailto:cwaudby@davinцинstitute.org)]

**Destination Imagination** – Appraisers needed for the Region 5 Destination ImagiNation Tournament on March 17 at Springport High School. Appraiser training is March 3 at the same high school. Both are all day commitments. [Joyce Betz at 517.857.4018 (home), 517.740.8094 (cell), 517.788.4099x260 (work) or [betz@scnc.sps.k12.mi.us](mailto:betz@scnc.sps.k12.mi.us)]

**Ella Sharp Museum** – Assist with Arts Go to School, Interactive tours for preschool through early elementary, Youth Art Festival or Early Michigan Festival programs. [Amy Wellington at 517.787.2320 or [amyw@ellasharp.org](mailto:amyw@ellasharp.org)]

**Equestrian Outreach Center** – Three programs: Connection program needs tutors for 4-12 graders (TWR 4-6pm). Living Encounters program needs mentors and tutors for “at risk” 4-6 graders (TWR 9-11am and 12-2pm). Employment Skills program needs mentors for “at risk” teens (TWR 4-6pm). [Leslie Gove at 517.812.6664 or [lgove@hotmail.com](mailto:lgove@hotmail.com)]

**\*Family Service and Children’s Aid (Born Free)** – Assist with provision of therapeutic childcare for children whose mothers are receiving substance abuse treatment. Great for those interested in early childhood development. [Rose Mary Heise at 517.787.7920 or [rheise@fscjackson.org](mailto:rheise@fscjackson.org)]

**\*Florence Crittendon Services** – Volunteer at the agency or mentor young men and women [Tammy Ratz or Sarah Purol at 517.787.3500 or [purolsar@msu.edu](mailto:purolsar@msu.edu)]

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**Goodwill Industries of Central Michigan** – Assist in teaching job readiness classes as well as self-esteem, assertiveness, building confidence and communication on the job to students in several Jackson County schools. Students have a learning disability or cognitive impairment. [Debbie Campbell or Carol Bush at 517.787.0570 x32 or 13 or [dcampbell@gicm.org](mailto:dcampbell@gicm.org)]

**Greater Jackson Chamber of Commerce** – Help with Challenge Day activities. [Kara Beer at 517.782.8221x102 or [kbeer@enterprisegroup.org](mailto:kbeer@enterprisegroup.org)]

**Greater Jackson Habitat for Humanity** – Help build homes for low income families who otherwise could not afford a home. Learn correct building practices for new home construction. Also opportunities to help in the office or work in our restore. [Mark Brusseau at 517.784.6620 or [jacksonhabitat@acd.net](mailto:jacksonhabitat@acd.net)]

**Jackson District Library** – Story Wizards is a community outreach program with children's literature and puppets. Readers visit daycares and preschools once a month to read to children. Materials are provided. [Sara Tackett at 517.788.4087x235 or [tackettse@jackson.lib.mi.us](mailto:tackettse@jackson.lib.mi.us)]

**Jackson Arts and Technology Academy** – Volunteers needed to work with students one-on-one or in small groups developing and improving reading, writing and math skills. Also looking for individuals interested in doing professional development with our staff in the areas of music, visual art, dance and drama, integrating these components throughout the curriculum. [Nancy O'Neill at 517.796.0080 or [NO'Neill@jacksonata.org](mailto:NO'Neill@jacksonata.org)]

**Junior Achievement** – Be a classroom consultant for Junior Achievement programs in K-12 classrooms. Five or six weeks (1 hour per week) teaching JA programs about financial literacy and life skills [Joan Larsen or Connie Poisson at 517.782.7822 x 10 or 14 or [jlarsen@jamichiganedge.com](mailto:jlarsen@jamichiganedge.com) and [cpoisson@jamichiganedge.com](mailto:cpoisson@jamichiganedge.com)]

**Lily Missions Center** – Volunteer for the After School Program Monday-Thursday 3:30-6:00. Begins September 25, serving youth 6-12 years of age, 75% of which are below grade level in either reading or math [Renell Weathers at 517.783.6553 or [rweatherslmc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rweatherslmc@sbcglobal.net)]

**Napoleon Community Schools** – Volunteer in K-12 classrooms [Jen Poole at 517.784.4475 or [mail.ncs.mi.k12.us](mailto:mail.ncs.mi.k12.us)]

**\*Paragon Academy** – [Colleen Mulligan at 517.750.9500 or [is.cnulligan@heritageacademies.com](mailto:is.cnulligan@heritageacademies.com)]

**\*Planned Parenthood** – Baby Think It Over and contraception education. Volunteer for peer education program in local high schools [Laurie Benzing at 517.784.7404 or [laurie.benzing@ppmchoice.com](mailto:laurie.benzing@ppmchoice.com)]

**Salvation Army** – A variety of volunteer opportunities available for education majors or those interested in working with elementary children for mentoring and tutoring. Also, those with an interest in social work could work with those having needs. Opportunities to work with teens in a physical education setting. Bell ringers needed at Christmas; other holiday activities [Major Linda Mallett at 517.782.7185 or [Linda\\_mallett@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Linda_mallett@usc.salvationarmy.org)]

**School Kids After-school Time** – Positive role models needed at a community after-school program for grades 6-8. Hang out with youth, help with homework, talk about problems, mentor. Mondays and Wednesdays 2:30-5:00pm. Across from Hanover-Horton High School [Kathy Sanford at 517.563.8390 or [wkccs@netzero.com](mailto:wkccs@netzero.com)]

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store** – Opportunities for business students, those interested in the non-profit sector. Interact with customers, donors, clients. Learn merchandising, work with store's charity programs. [David Kemler or Bob Scripter at 517.784.0721 or [svdpstore2@modempool.com](mailto:svdpstore2@modempool.com)]

**Winners Walk Tall** – Talk to students in K-6<sup>th</sup> grades to develop them into tomorrow's winners through character building programs that teach fundamental values and life changing skills. Once a week for 10-15 minutes. [Bob Hardy at 517.782.1370 or 772-778-3206 or [bob7857@aol.com](mailto:bob7857@aol.com)]

\*Not attending, but still in need of volunteers.

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