



By Sally Newcombe

Volunteering is an activity in which an individual or group provides services only to benefit others, a group, or an organization. Volunteering can:

- Promote skill development or improve human quality of life.
- Have benefits for the volunteer as well as those they serve.
- Help some make contacts for possible employment if that is their goal.

Many volunteers are trained in areas in which they work or have worked in the past such as medicine, education, or emergency rescue. Many other volunteers can serve on an "as-needed" basis, such as in response to a natural disaster.

Volunteering can be good for you and for others. When you think about someone other than yourself, volunteering can help you to feel good, thus strengthening your immune system and reducing stress.

strengthening your immune system and reducing stress Volunteering:

- Saves valuable community services and resources so more money can be spent on local improvements.
- Can help you gain professional experience.
- For a non-profit, it may ignite an interest in government.
- Brings people together.
- Strengthens one's community by supporting families in need or in a crisis, improving schools through tutoring, mentoring and helping with after school programs, and helping through park and road cleanups.
- Helps you to learn a lot about yourself. You may discover hidden talents that will become a valuable asset to your community.
- Promotes a spirit of community, family, friends, and neighbors.

How can you help? What do you have to offer? What do you hope to offer? How much time can you devote? What are you interested in?

In our community, lend a helping hand to a senior. Deliver meals (LOU is our worthwhile community event every Wednesday at 12 noon at the Bayview Community Center). Volunteer to sit with a senior who may have lost a spouse, read to them, listen to their stories. You will learn a lot. Look into becoming a Stephen Minister through your church, if such a program is offered. Become a North Idaho Medical Support Reserve Corps volunteer.

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Men and women, both medical and non-medical are needed to support response efforts in the event of a public health emergency or community public health need. Volunteer at a local school or animal shelter.

Make a difference: Volunteer!

Resources: AARP. org, www.redcross.org/volunteer, Volunteers of America, Salvation Army,

Classes in Forestry

Coming to Bayview is **Ties to the Land: Your Family Forest Heritage**, an Idaho Forest Stewardship Program Co-sponsored by University of Idaho Extension, Master Gardeners, Idaho Dept. of Lands, and USDA - Forest Service. This is a family planning succession workshop February 4, 2017, Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm at the Bayview Community Center. Space is limited to 25 so register early. \$35.00 registration fee covers refreshments and 91 page award winning colored workbook. For more information contact: http://cedarmountainassociation.com/wp-content/ uploads/2016/12/B-Ties-to-the-Land-2017.pdf

Also available is **Identifying Idaho's Trees**, a class on February 6, 6 to 8 pm, at the University of Idaho's Extension Office, 1808 North 3rd Street. Cost: \$10

Off Road Vehicle Plans Deferred

On January 3, 2017 Nick Synder, Parks Waterways Director, responded to the speculation about the Off Road Vehicle Park near Twete Road in Athol. In the letter Mr Synder states, "I can tell you undoubtedly that we do not currently have any plans to construct an ORV park on Tweet Rd. Some time ago, I asked the County Commissioners for permission to discuss the concept with neighbors on Twete road in an effort to better understand what the impacts may be to local property owners and that was the extend of it. If the Twete road concept should ever evolve further, I would be pleased to attend any meetings to hear input from all interested parties but again, at this time there are simply no plans".

This is good news for many Athol residents who wish to preserve their rural lifestyle and quality of life from noise, dust, and traffic increase. The December issue of the Shore Lines featured an editorial by John Strobel, one such Athol resident.

If you would like a copy of Nick Synder's complete email sent to you, please email Jan Whiteacre: jan.whiteacre@gmail.com

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Bayview Community Council is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$500

If you:

- **I** Live in within a 6 mile radius of Bayview
- Are currently enrolled or plan to enroll in an educational institution for the coming year
- Are looking for a means to help fund your education

You can obtain an application from our website at: www.bayviewcommunitycouncil.org, contact Sheryl Puckett at sherylpp@gmail.com or call Sharon at 683-2857 or Marlys at 683-3295

Erin McKindree is the new Farragut State Park Assistant Manager. Erin started out as a Ranger at Dworshak and spent the past nine years as the Priest Lake State Park Assistant. Manager. She is excited about the opportunity to take on and grow from the new and exciting challenges and experiences at Farragut. (Quote from Dave White)



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Scholarship Criteria:

Leadership

Students who demonstrate experience leading groups and providing direction to others including teaching, training, organizing, managing and carrying more responsibility on the part of a group or organization. Being held in high regard by one's peers for being a role model through actions and deeds; and making improvements and achieving successes with or on behalf of others.

Community Service

The committee considers not simply your community service but, more importantly, the impact your service has had on a particular individual or group. The committee considers volunteerism, service learning, field-work or internships that show civic responsibility and engagement.

Financial Need

The committee considers how students are financing their education. Students applying for scholarships should clearly state their financial need in their application

Family Life

Tell about your family, how many siblings, family history

Special Interest

List and describe are your extracurricular activities, creative accomplishments, hobbies or awards received

Application Presentation

Neatness, grammar, letter format, completeness, following directions

CELL TOWER PUBLIC HEARING

GREAT NEWS: February 16, 6pm, 451 Government Way, CDA hearing to construct a 150 ft. monopole cell tower. The property is located west of 34706 N. Merriweather Road and access is off Cherokee Road in Bayview.

We're one more step closer to having a cell tower. Show your support and attend the hearing.

No Council Meeting in January

Ideas or questions and comments for Shorelines? Please send them to **sheryIpp@gmail.com**