

November 2019



Volunteer Newsletter

Volunteer Opportunities

Dear Volunteer,

November is a time to give thanks. On November 11th, we celebrate Veterans Day, an annual holiday that honors military veterans. Eras Senior Network would like to recognize our 43 volunteers who have served in the United States Armed Forces. Thank you for your service. On November 28th we celebrate Thanksgiving, and would also like to extend a special thanks to all of our volunteers. Thank you for everything you do. Without your dedicated service we couldn't continue serving all of the seniors and adults with disabilities in our community.

Welcome to the Eras Team, New Volunteers!

Thank you for giving your time to help support seniors and adults with disabilities in Waukesha County! The impact of your gift will be felt by all that you serve.

Cheryl Pederson
Laila ToroDake
Sarah Fabich
Colton Marshall
Peg Kais
Karisa Gloudemans
Sirtaj Arora

Chris Derivan
Roger Buck
Maggie Bork
Jeanine Gable
Bonnie Sundby
Rick Kave

Kim Eggener
Edyn Ashauer
Pat Mecha
Paige Posnanski
Roberta Gust
Noelle Bougie



Volunteer Needs

Special Driving Request: Every Thursday for the past 5 years Robert has had the same volunteer driver pick him up from work at 2:30pm and take him to Pick N Save (on Capitol Drive in Pewaukee). Due to health concerns, Robert's on-going driver recently had to give up driving. Robert is a 40 year-old man who lives in Pewaukee and has autism. Autism refers to a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech, and sometimes nonverbal communication. Robert is high-functioning, verbal, and able to do his own shopping. He is very detail-oriented and particular about times and schedule. A good volunteer for Robert would be someone who is very detail-oriented and punctual, as well as someone that can commit to picking him up at 2:30pm every Thursday. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Spring at (262) 522-2407 or SpringK@ErasWaukesha.org.

Data Entry in Main Office: Eras Staff members are in need of a volunteer to help with data entry at the main office on a weekly basis. Responsibilities include entering new client assessments into the database and looking through obituaries to make any needed updates. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Judith at (262) 522-2411 or JudithA@ErasWaukesha.org.

Phone Assistance in Main Office: Eras Staff members are in need of someone to help in the main office on Thursday mornings from approximately 9-11am. They will be responsible for calling volunteers weekly to give them their driving assignments. We are looking for someone who is comfortable making phone calls, likes talking to people, and is interested in helping with the coordination of volunteers. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Spring at (262) 522-2407 or SpringK@ErasWaukesha.org.

Math Tutor for 5th Grade ELL Student: Valley View Elementary School in Menomonee Falls is in need of tutors to come in and work on basic math skills with a 5th grade student who is learning the English language. Volunteers can choose one or more shifts; 2:30-3:00 on Tuesdays/Thursdays and/or 3:00-3:30 on Mondays/Fridays. If interested in this opportunity, contact Dawn at (262) 617-8061 or DawnH@Eraswaukesha.org.

Elementary School Library Help: Valley View Elementary School in Menomonee Falls is looking for extra help in the library. Duties include shelving books and checking books in and out. Days and times based on availability of volunteer. If interested in this opportunity, contact Dawn at (262) 617-8061 or DawnH@Eraswaukesha.org.

Friendly Visiting Opportunities: We currently have four Eras Senior Network clients looking to be matched with a Friendly Visitor. Be a friend to a senior or an adult with a disability who is isolated and looking for someone to talk to. Opportunities are available to visit with clients on an ongoing basis. Please see the attached document to read more about the clients and their interests. If you are interested in any of these opportunities, contact Shannon at (262) 522-2405 or Shannon.Fogle@ErasWaukesha.org.

Caulking Windows: A client in New Berlin is looking for a volunteer to help caulk her windows and/or cover her windows with plastic. It gets very cold in her condo and she would like help winterizing it and making it warmer. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Shannon at (262) 522-2405 or Shannon.Fogle@ErasWaukesha.org.

Light Bulb Change: A client in Waukesha is in need of a lightbulb to be changed. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Shannon at (262) 522-2405 or Shannon.Fogle@ErasWaukesha.org.

Fall Yard Clean Up Volunteers Needed

Gather your friends, family, or coworkers and provide some Fall Yard Clean Up assistance to a Waukesha County senior or adult with a disability. Fall Yard Clean Up occurs through the month of November. Let us know what size yard, area, and date you prefer, and we'll match you with a client in need. Each group of volunteers needs one group leader age 18 and older to fill out a volunteer application. For more information, please contact Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.



Snow Removal Volunteers Needed

The snow is coming early this season! Volunteers will be matched with a senior or adult with a disability in their community to remove snow from their driveway and sidewalk. Details can be coordinated directly with the person you serve. Enjoy the crisp winter weather as you provide this needed service to an individual that is no longer able to shovel snow due to age or physical condition. Qualifications: dependable, responsible, and have a positive attitude. Must be 15 years or older (children younger may be accompanied by an adult). Also consider teaming up with a few people for this project and alternate throughout the season. For more information, please contact Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.

Get Involved with the 11th Annual Waukesha 5k Santa Run & Walk

Want to Run or Walk? Race day is Sunday, December 1st. Gather a group of friends and sign up to participate in the 11th Annual Waukesha 5k Santa Run & Walk. Register by November 11th to guarantee a shirt in your size. [Click her to register!](#)

Want to Volunteer? Volunteers are still needed to help with set up, tear down, refreshments, same-day registration, entertainment on the route, and guides stationed along the route. Sign up to volunteer [here](#) or contact Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org to learn more.



Eras Holiday Giving Program



Since 2004, Eras Senior Network has provided self-sufficiency care packages to isolated and low-income Waukesha County seniors and adults with disabilities. We aim to distribute care packages to 350 community members this year and need your help! You can help by hosting a collection drive for items to fill the packages, creating handmade crafts, or volunteering to sort, pack, or hand-deliver the gifts on Saturday, December 21st.

More information about the Holiday Giving Program including a flyer to print and hang can be found [here](#).

Items in need are:

- \$10 Walgreens Gift Cards
- \$10 Pick 'n Save Gift Cards
- \$10 Walmart Gift Cards
- \$5 McDonald's Gift Cards
- Books of Forever Stamps
- Handmade flat ornaments, bookmarks, and door hangers
- Puzzle books (crossword, word search, Sudoku)

Please drop off donations to Eras Senior Network located at 2607 N. Grandview Blvd Suite 150, Waukesha, WI 53188 by Monday, December 16th. Door C is closest to our suite. If you would rather take an elevator to our suite, please use Door A. Suite 150 is on the second level.

Interested in volunteering? Contact Becca at Becca.Wanta@ErasWaukesha.org to learn more.

Thank you for your consideration!

Volunteer Jurors Needed at Mock Trial

Every fall, the State Bar puts on a mock trial to help teach trial skills to attorneys. This year, the mock trial will be held on Thursday, November 14th at the Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee. Volunteers are needed to act as jurors from 7:30 am to 5:50 pm. Payment for volunteers is \$100 plus mileage to and from the hotel. Volunteers are also provided with breakfast and lunch. This is a unique opportunity and participants from past years have really enjoyed it.

If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Megan at (608) 250-6081 or mmeyer@wisbar.org.

ProHealth Care Community Education Classes

Each month, ProHealth Care offers a wide variety of Community Education classes and events. Classes help you make informed health care decisions and develop healthy habits. All classes and events are free unless otherwise indicated. Registration is required for all events. For a complete list of classes, click [here](#) or view the attached brochure.

Have you submitted your hours?

Help us each month by reporting your hours. It's one of the ways we stay funded! Submit your hours on our [website](#) OR [email](#) them to us!

**Pen Pals and School Tutors do not need to submit hours. They are tracked by letters written and sign in sheets. If you have questions about submitting hours please [contact us](#).



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