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Featured
VOLUNTEER

BILL

Thank you for your service!



Seniors and Students

In 2013, Bill learned of a volunteer need to share life experiences through a US History program with freshman students at Waukesha west High School. Being a Korean War Veteran, Bill felt that he had a lot to offer and was a perfect match for the program.

He began with a one-hour class. In 2014, he so enjoyed his experiences with the younger generation, he increased his time spent with the students to two classes. At the orientation, the teachers made a plea to fill a need for one more class hour. Bill now spends three hours with three classes of students.

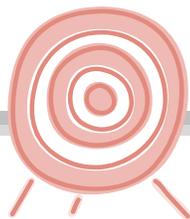
Bill has fostered a great intergenerational bond between the students. Last year's students see him in the hallways and greet him

as an old friend. Bill commented to the teacher about one student and how engaged he was during the program. The teacher was shocked to learn that the student had opened up, which was not his usual classroom demeanor.

Bill stated, "I thoroughly enjoy my time with the students. I feel that I get more out of it than they do." The High School and Interfaith staff feel that it is definitely a "toss up" – because the students feel that they get more out of it than the seniors!

Thank you Bill, for being a wonderful role model to so many students in Waukesha County.

The new school year is here... Volunteer to become a tutor like Bill! Contact our Volunteer Manager to get started.



Our 2014 Goal

Interfaith is growing and so is the need for our services. In order to accommodate the growing need for help in the community, we set a goal to raise \$35,000 in congregation donations in 2014. Right now we have raised \$13,670 from generous congregations in Waukesha County. Thank you so much for your support! If you wish to contribute financially to further the Interfaith mission, call us today!

Save the Date!

Giving Tuesday

Interfaith is signed up for Giving Tuesday, a global day dedicated to giving back. On December 2, 2014, charities, families, businesses, community centers, and students around the world will come together for one common purpose: to celebrate generosity and to give.

Tell everyone you can about this important day so that you, too, can be a part of the global celebration of a new tradition of generosity. [Visit their website](#) to learn more.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are what keep us going. Whether you volunteer for Interfaith on a regular basis or have never volunteered in your life, we would love your help! Learn about these opportunities to join in on the fun.

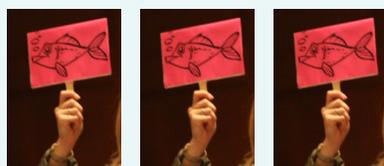
Seasonal Maintenance

Right now we're recruiting volunteers for Fall Yard Cleanup and Snow Removal. Raking leaves or shoveling snow can be hazardous for someone with arthritis or poor mobility. This is where our volunteers can step in. These opportunities are great for youth groups of hearty teens!

Transportation

If working outside isn't for you, try transportation instead! Right now we have a client who needs a ride to her Spanish class every Thursday. Because so many of our clients need transportation, we have to limit the purpose of trips to medical appointments and grocery stores. But Interfaith is growing and we need your help to expand our transportation program so that we can get our client to her Spanish class! It's right near Brookfield Square, so you could even take a little shopping trip while waiting for her class to get out.

Our Annual Fish Fry!



Be fabulous—eat fish! We're inviting you to our annual special event of fish, fun, and philanthropy. This fundraiser aims to support the Interfaith mission of helping older and disabled adults remain independent in their own homes.

Featuring all-you-can-eat baked and fried fish, as well as a variety of sides, this fish fry is perfect for families and groups. Get your

friends together to reserve a table or get your business to sponsor one. Either way, we'd love to have you there!

The event takes place Friday, November 14th from 4-8pm at Country Springs Hotel. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 10 years and younger.

Tickets go on sale Monday, September 8th, through our website. You can also get them through a member of our board of directors or staff. \$5 of each ticket goes to support the Interfaith mission!



Kind Words From Our Clients

If you have contributed to our Holiday Giving program in the past, you know that your donation is greatly appreciated by our clients. But you may not realize just how much.

Last year, over 180 clients filled out the surveys included in their gifts and sent them back to us with the hope that volunteers, donors, and staff would be able to see how much of a difference they make. Here's just a few of them!

This gift is greatly appreciated and I will use every single thing! Thank you! Bernice, 84

We are blessed for all you give and do for us! Thank you very much! Betty, 80

I look forward to the gift every year. It's greatly appreciated. I'm so glad that there are people like you that remember us. God Bless and keep you safe! Cindi, 60

My only Christmas gift! Thank you! Anonymous, 60

Mentally it helps. Makes one feel some cares. The only Christmas present I receive... family gone. God Bless all! The art work from the children made me smile, especially the one from the little warrior. May they grow up and not have to be warriors. Arlene 76

Well, soon as I opened the gifts I started to cry that there are good hearted people in this world. And you may let your donors (know) that everything is appreciated equal. Thank you. Donald 62

Let Us Come Visit Your Church

Our staff would love to come to your church to share the Interfaith story. We can give a presentation for any kind of church group on the different services and volunteer opportunities Interfaith Senior Programs provides in Waukesha County. To schedule a visit, contact Kris Lombardi at (262) 522-2402.

Your contribution matters. If you are interested in donating, please contact our Community Outreach Manager at (262) 522-2402 or KrisL@interfaithwaukesha.org.

Comments that we may share with our donors:

THANK YOU !!!!! etc.
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