

RSVP

Lead With Experience Station News

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Citizen Scientists

RSVP is excited to be collaborating with other organizations in development of new environmental opportunities for older volunteers. Here's a sampling of upcoming "Citizen Scientist" activities:

The Gerontology Department of Cornell University is interested in studying older adults who participate in environmental volunteer projects. RSVP volunteers will be attending a series of workshops covering a variety of environmental topics. At the end of the series, class participants will decide on a working project that addresses an ecological need in the community, serving as "Retiree Environmental Stewards"

Tracking climate in your backyard is a Museum of the Earth and 4-H collaboration, working to recruit and train educators to work with upper elementary and secondary school youth on citizen science, monitoring temperature and precipitation, and relating it to climate. Volunteer training will occur in Spring 2009.

National Volunteer Week

April 19 – 25, 2009

National Volunteer Week was originally instituted in 1974 when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order to establish the week as an annual celebration of volunteering. A volunteer gives time and expertise without expecting monetary compensation. The half of the U.S. population who volunteers makes many educational, health, cultural, and human service programs work.

****Take time to recognize the volunteers at your site****

**RSVP
Tax Counseling
for
Schuyler County
residents
age 60 and older**

**Human Services Complex
323 Owego Street
Montour Falls, NY**

**By Appointment Only
Call 535-8242**

RSVP is funded in part by United Way



2008 Statistics

Statistics help tell the story. Last year, **333** RSVP volunteers donated **37,658** hours of service at **62** non-profit agencies in Schuyler and Yates Counties, valued at **\$376,580**. Take a look at pages 2 and 3 for station-based details.



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RSVP Statistics: January-December 2008

Station Name	Volunteer Hours	Wage Value @ \$10/hour	Volunteer Reimbursements Meals/Mileage
AARP	261.00	2610.00	0.00
American Cancer Society	70.50	705.00	3.72
American Red Cross-CS	238.50	2385.00	6.20
American Red Cross, Yates Co.	40.00	400.00	0.00
ARC / Keuka Lake Enterprises	161.75	1617.50	0.00
Arts Council of Yates County	210.00	2100.00	0.00
Bradford Central School	80.25	802.50	0.00
CASA of the Southern Tier, Inc.	145.50	1455.00	0.00
Catholic Charities-Schuyler Co.	1154.75	11547.50	61.01
Chamber of Commerce, Schuyler County	174.00	1740.00	0.00
Chemung County Fair	255.00	2550.00	0.00
Chemung Valley Farm Museum	92.00	920.00	0.00
Child & Family Resource, Inc	71.50	715.00	0.00
Child Care Council, Schuyler Co	214.50	2145.00	0.00
Christmas for the Needy	583.25	5832.50	0.00
Clinton Crest Manor	60.00	600.00	0.00
Cornell Cooperative Ext.	2426.00	24260.00	607.06
Dresden Methodist-First Aid Closet	222.50	2225.00	0.00
Dundee Area Youth Center	89.00	890.00	0.00
Dundee Central School	185.50	1855.00	28.52
Dutton S. Peterson Library	522.00	5220.00	62.00
Elizabeth Pert Reading Center	825.25	8252.50	47.74
Environmental Management Council- Falls Home	9.00	90.00	0.00
Finger Lakes National Forest	399.00	3990.00	0.00
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Food for the Needy, Penn Yan	3076.75	30767.50	0.00
Historical & Geneological Soc.Yates Co	166.50	1665.00	0.00
Historical Society Museum/Sch	2664.25	26642.50	710.99
Hospice of the Southern Tier	9.50	95.00	0.00
Italian-American Festival	37.50	375.00	36.70
Literacy Volunteers, EOP-Schuyler	587.50	5875.00	505.36
Meals on Wheels, Dundee Area	75.25	752.50	18.60
Mental Health Clinic	79.75	797.50	0.00
Modeste Bedient Mem.Library	36.00	360.00	57.97
Montour Memorial Library	1083.50	10835.00	60.76
Mustard Seed Ministries	324.00	3240.00	0.00
Odessa Montour Schools	138.50	1385.00	0.00
Office for the Aging, Chemung County	310.25	3102.50	0.00
Office for the Aging, Schuyler	3383.40	33834.00	628.40
Office for the Aging, Yates Co.	1936.15	19361.50	657.21

2008 Statistics (Cont'd)

Station Name	Volunteer Hours	Wage Value @ \$10/hour	Volunteer Reimbursements Meals/Mileage
Once Again Shoppe	4206.25	42062.50	0.00
Penn Yan Elementary School	438.50	4385.00	0.00
Penn Yan Manor	336.00	3360.00	0.00
Penn Yan Public Library	421.00	4210.00	0.00
Public Health	119.25	1192.50	63.24
Rainbow Junction, Ltd.	88.00	880.00	285.40
Schuyler County Health Check	215.50	2155.00	0.00
Schuyler Head Start, Inc.	58.75	587.50	0.00
Schuyler Hospital Auxiliary	1955.00	19550.00	287.99
Schuyler Housing Opportunity	277.00	2770.00	0.00
Seneca Santa, Inc.	143.00	1430.00	0.00
Seneca Union Cemetery	595.00	5950.00	0.00
Seneca View SNF	225.00	2250.00	0.00
Senior Citizens Clubs, Inc.	764.50	7645.00	0.00
Sheriff's Dept-Schuyler	9.75	97.50	0.00
Social Services, Schuyler Co	108.50	1085.00	0.00
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial	1888.42	18884.20	648.77
Tyrone Fire Co. Auxiliary	144.50	1445.00	0.00
United Way of Northern Yates Co	65.00	650.00	0.00
United Way of Schuyler County	24.00	240.00	0.00
Veteran's Service Agency	1169.79	11697.90	0.00
VLH Fireman's Auxiliary	293.00	2930.00	0.00
Watkins Glen Central School	455.50	4555.00	17.67
Watkins Glen Public Library	770.50	7705.00	257.92
Yates Cultural/Recreational Resources	293.00	2930.00	112.84
Totals:	37,658	376,580.00	5182.81

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at RSVP's "Blog"**

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www.cce.cornell.edu/schuyler

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RSVP and Triad of Schuyler County
offer free **File-of-Life** packets to
Schuyler County residents
age 60 and older.

First Responders look for the **File-of-Life** on
a participant's refrigerator for quick
access to medical information
when responding to an emer-
gency.

Contact RSVP at 535-7105

FILE OF LIFE	
Name:	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>
Doctor:	Phone#:
EMERGENCY CONTACTS	
Name:	Phone#:
Address:	<input type="text"/>
Name:	Phone#:
Address:	<input type="text"/>