

October 2008

Dear Friends:

Oh my, fall is already here! I am always glad to live in this area because I really enjoy the fall season with the beautiful changing colors and temperatures. The House has been busy as usual. Just like the seasons, our guests are always changing, but at the House we continually strive to serve our guests during their season of need, providing a home-away-from-home. Our guests are always grateful, and that remains the same.

Friendly Face volunteers: The calendar has several open shifts in the afternoons in October, so please stop by the House or contact Lois Self: 815-751-6152; lois.self@gmail.com (<mailto:lois.self@gmail.com>) to add your name to the calendar. Also, if you have signed up to work a shift, please pick up your *new* Friendly Face Handbook when you arrive for your shift (or stop by the house if you would like to have it before your shift). The handbooks are in the drawer with the nametags - and names are on the covers.

If you have been considering joining our mission to serve others as a volunteer, please come to our next *VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION* Thursday Oct. 23rd, 7-8 p.m. at the House to learn more about the various ways in which you can get involved. Have questions? Contact Joyce Mathey at jam151@aol.com (<mailto:jam151@aol.com>) or 815-895-3803.

We still need extra hands with the yard work during the fall season. Please drop by anytime and grab a rake or a yard waste bag (stored by garage service door). The Beautification Committee will be very grateful for your assistance. You can let them know what you accomplished by jotting down your work in the gardening journal (the black mailbox that sits near the lower level entrance). Need more info? Contact Trish Williams at 630-513-8149 or trishwhome@comcast.net (<mailto:trishwhome@comcast.net>.)

AND, as in the past, we are again inviting you, our friends and supporters to come and join us for the annual Sycamore Pumpkin Parade viewing. We have a prime location, just bring your own chairs and/or blankets.

Mark your calendars and plan ahead for the Market Day Pie Sale, yummy! The sale will be Friday, Nov. 21st, just in time for all your holiday gatherings! We will be sending out an email with all the details on how to place your orders.

Gratefully yours,
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