



Volunteer Newsletter

To see in those in need the face of Christ

Welcome to the Autumn issue of the St. Vincent de Paul volunteer newsletter! Enjoy the lovely weather and see what's new with SVdP.

--- Upcoming Events ---

- Attend a Society meeting at 9:30 AM on the third Thursday or one on the fourth Thursday at 7:00 PM each month at SVdP Center.
- Annual Vincentian Mass & Commitment Ceremony at 10:30 AM mass on Sunday, September 23rd at Saints Peter & Paul Church.
- Second Annual SVdP In-Service will be held on Thursday, September 27th at the Easton Volunteer Firehouse. RSVPs closed 9/15.
- Kathy Weaver will be inducted into the MD Senior Citizens Hall of Fame along with other honorees at an awards luncheon on October 25th.
- Annual mass in remembrance of deceased Vincentians in our Conference at 10:30 AM on Sunday, November 11th at St. Michaels.
- Mass in honor of the Patroness of Vincentians - the Blessed Virgin Mary and her Immaculate Conception at 10:30 AM on Sunday, December 9th at Saints Peter & Paul Church.

Vote for the Best of Talbot County! Especially SVdP!

Copy and paste the link below or click on the adjacent button for the Star Democrat's contest to determine the best places, services, food, etc. for Talbot County. There are many categories, but please look at the **PUBLIC/PEOPLE SECTION, Best Charity** and vote for St.

[Star Democrat Link to Vote](#)

Vincent de Paul! Several of our volunteers are also candidates in the **Best Volunteer** category. Voting continues through October 5, 2018.

<http://stardem.secondstreetapp.com/Talbot-County-Reader-Approved-2018/>

Honors for Kathy Weaver



Alex, Kathy & Mayor Willey



Kathy Weaver & Mayor Willey



Standing Room Only!



On August 16th, Mayor Bob Willey honored our Food Pantry manager, Kathy Weaver, for her contributions to Easton and Talbot County. The Easton Mayor presented Cathy with a certificate suitable for framing as well as a key to the City. Governor Hogan also sent a certificate to honor Kathy, which was read by Alex Handy. More volunteers than we could seat (!) attended a special presentation. Ice cream from the Scottish Highland Creamery (sponsored by a generous donor) was enjoyed by attendees. Congratulations on the well deserved honors, Kathy! *(photos by Barbara Harries)*

Wanted: Shopping Bags!

The Boutique is in need of department store and other gift bags . Please drop off any extras you may have (& ask friends/neighbors - we all have a stash!) at the Center during business hours.





Hurricane Florence Threatens; SVdP Moviegoers Show Their Strength (and Adaptability)!

Due to weather, the 5th Annual movie night moved to a new location for this year, but it was the best attended yet (at least 150 enjoyed the movie with great food & drink)! A huge thank you to Father Nash and SSPP Principals, Dr. Faye Schilling and Mr. James Nemeth, for helping to arrange this change in venue in a very short amount of time. The movie shown was ***October Sky***, a true story which takes place in 1950s Coalville, WV; starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Laura Dern and Chris Cooper. Special thanks to Rosemary Fasolo from Pixel, Print & Post for donating the tickets, Bobbi Parlett from Simpatico for donating all of the wine, Lyn Bevard for donating two fabulous raffle baskets, Marguerite Helminiak for making the most beautiful doll for a raffle drawing and of course, **Carlyn Diamond** and all of the Vincentians who planned the event, donated food, sold and purchased tickets, set up and cleaned up. None of this can happen without our volunteers. All proceeds benefit SVdP to help those in need. *(Photo by Carlyn Diamond)*



HOLIDAY HUT Opening Sept. 25! This will be the 3rd season that the Thrift Center has expanded to sell holiday items during the regular hours of operation. Selling new and gently used items for fall, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and winter themes, it will be open through the Christmas holidays. Check it out!!

(Photos by Amy Michels)

Ongoing Need for Hotel Sized Toiletries

With cool weather soon approaching, we are collecting **UNUSED** hotel sized toiletries (shampoo, lotion, dental floss, soap bars, etc.) and will appreciate it if you can bring them to the center. Lip balm, razors, toothpaste, deodorant and other hygiene products in small sizes are also welcome to help with emergency placement in local shelters. Thank you for your generosity!

Volunteer Spotlight

Marguerite Helminiak, a talented Thrift Center volunteer, re-purposes scrap materials to create adorable dolls, necktie pillows and other items she sells. She then donates the money to SVdP. Marguerite has lived in the area for 25 years and has been a SVdP volunteer for almost 10 years. She enjoys sewing; especially for others. Her volunteer position is emptying donation bags and washing glassware & other items so they are attractive and saleable. *(photo by Nadine Hilghman)*



Positions Available!

If you know anyone who would like to join us and help out a few hours a week (or month), we could use help in the following areas:

Friendly Neighbor Ministry: we need people 1) to let us know of area residents who are isolated or homebound, and 2) volunteers to provide home visits and friendship on a regular basis and occasional assistance with picking up groceries and medications.

Furniture Truck: help pick up and deliver furniture. ***Get to drive a big truck, or ride along in one!***

Food Pantry - unload the food truck on Thursday mornings.

Faithful Folders - sort incoming housewares and clothing, prepare items for purchase.

Dining Out Card Program - needs volunteers to make phone calls to previous DOC buyers to offer them the 2019 card for purchase.

Dining Out Card Program - needs a volunteer to coordinate sales at all churches after Masses during the promotion period.

For more information about these requests, contact Nancy Fitzgerald nfitzgerald6@yahoo.com



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