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A note from the Board of Directors...

As we welcome a new year with excitement and anticipation of all that it may hold, we look back at the many years Hands of Grace has touched the lives of so many in Fulton County. Bonita Jackson, long time volunteer and most recently Program Director, made the leap into retirement at the beginning of the year. Although her passion and joyful demeanor will be missed, the Hands of Grace family knows the extra time with friends and family is much deserved.

Hands of Grace has several events coming up through out the year, so mark your calendars now! The Adult Day Center is always bustling with activity, so take time to catch-up on their stories and pictures in this newsletter, on our website and Facebook page. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed, so consider spending a day getting to know the amazing participants and staff.

With all of us bundling up during these chilly months, please use caution and stay safe!

Best, Laura Kern Board President







Give a day of respite Care to a Caregiver...that person could be friend, neighbor, loved one etc.

For a \$30 donation, a Caregiver will know that their loved one is well cared for, at the Adult Day Center for one day. Many Caregivers are in dire financial need and would truly appreciate a 'Break for Love's Sake"

Can you be that person who is a neighbor helping a neighbor, here in Fulton County? One way to be thankful for our blessings is to GIVE!











Caregiver Support Group meets at the Delta United Methodist Church at 101 Northwood Dr, Delta at 10:30 am

February 19, 2016 March 18, 2016 April 22, 2016 May 20, 2016 June 24, 2016 July 22, 2016

Hand of Grace Craft Show at Pettisville Missionary Church at 19055 Co Rd D, Pettisville, OH 43553

April 16, 2016

If you are a craft vender, please call 419-822-3556 for more information.

Hands of Grace Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon at the Delta United Methodist Church, 101 Northwood Dr, April 29, 2016 at Noon Volunteers please RSVP to 419-822-3556

Purses for a Purpose

October 2016

Give the Gift that Keeps on Giving

How to Make a Planned Gift

People give to charities for a variety of reasons:

- Because they have compassion for the less fortunate.
- From a belief that they owe something back to society.
- To support a favored institution or cause.
- For the recognition attained by making substantial charitable donations
- To benefit from the financial incentives our tax system provides for charitable gifts.

Donna Wilson, owner of Wilson Law PLC, headquartered in McLaws Circle, Williamsburg, VA answers a few common questions:

What is a Bequest?

A bequest is a gift to a person or charitable organization made through a will or trust-based instrument. A specific bequest can either be a monetary gift or a personal property (real or tangible).

What is planned giving?

Planned giving is a way for a donor to support non-profit or charitable organizations. This can be done in the lifetime of the donor through a gifting program or may be initiated at the death of the donor by utilizing a gifting strategy in a will or trust-based instrument. Gifts made during the lifetime of the donor are sometimes arranged by setting up a Charitable Remainder Trust, whereby the donor is given a lifetime income from the Trust. Gifts made at death usually utilize estate and tax planning techniques.

Why is it important to plan ahead?

It is important to plan ahead in order to ensure that your wishes and instructions are carried out through your lifetime, during your incapacity and finally at your passing. By executing a will or trust-based plan, you can protect you, your intentions, your assets, and those you love, while minimizing or completely avoiding court interventions, probate, will contents and/or death taxes.

By establishing a planned gift to Hands of Grace Faith in Action you will help the elderly and/or disabled residents of Fulton County remain independent and in their own homes as long as safely possible. When you designate Hands of Grace Faith in Action as a beneficiary in your will or your insurance policy you can ensure that those we currently serve and generations to come will receive the assistance they need to age in the place they call home. You have the opportunity to sow the seeds of tomorrow, today. Your gift can be anonymous, can carry a family name, or can be named in honor of a loved one. For more information visit our website at www.handsofgrace.org. Click on the donation tab then the bequest link or call the office at 419-822-3556.

Hands of Grace Faith in Action recommends that donors considering a gift, seek legal and/or tax counsel before making a gift.



With the aroma of apples all around us, we watched bushels of apples turn into cider and apple butter. We even had a taste of that fresh apple butter on crackers.

Now that we're really getting in the mood for fall, we'll paint pictures and pumpkins, scatter leaves and treat our preschool friends as they entertain us with a Halloween Parade.

Plans also include another fall outing, weather permitting. We would love to have some of you volunteers join us on our trip or stop in to visit with us any time. Volunteers are always welcome!

October 2015

It's fall. The leaves put on a colorful display, farmers are harvesting their crops and we at ADC will soon be decorating for our October Fall Fun.

We did get a head start on fall with a visit at Sauder Village. A train ride, picnic lunch and icecream treats were among the highlights of our day. One of our participants had a special surprise when a little blondie, one of the many school children, came running to hug Grandpa Carl.



The Importance of Volunteering

Becoming active in the care of our aging population of Fulton County, helps others become aware of the many issues that face seniors in a fast paced world. Often seniors and people with disabilities feel left out when there is little or no contact with the outside; due to health issues or lack of encouragement. Hands of Grace fills an important role when volunteers visit, pick up some needed items or take a person to do some shopping. Even doing household tasks that are just too much for the individual to manage, makes a big difference in a life dependent on others for help.

The impact a volunteer or caregiver can have on a life is so important. Be encouraged! Be an encourager!!

When you become involved, your impact on a life is immeasurable, and lives are enriched by your presence and care. Blogging on the topic of aging and

independence, hopes and reality brings ideas for helping families, the recipients, and volunteers.

Please sign in to your own Facebook account and without adding real names of

care receivers, add your comments from your own volunteering experience with

Hands of Grace Faith in Action.

We'd love to hear from our Volunteers!

A Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon will be held on April 29, 2016 at Noon Please RSVP to 419-822-3556



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Lloyd and Ernie painting sun catchers on a rainy day. Hours of enjoyment!



We are pleased to acknowledge the generosity of the following donors who have contributed to Hands of Grace Faith in Action.

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2015 Tough as Steel

North Star BlueScope Steel held its Annual Tough as Steel Bike*Walk*Run Fundraiser event to benefit several charitable organizations in Fulton County of which Hands of Grace Faith in Action was one of them. Many participants from all over the area and of all ages, gathered together at Highway 109 to register on that beautiful Saturday morning, May 9th, to Bike*Walk*Run. This fun event showcased The Village of Delta, The Wabash Cannonball Trail, local commerce and industry in Northwest Ohio.

It was a family fun event sponsored by the Delta Chamber of Commerce. Hands of Grace would like to thank North Star BlueScope Steel for once again choosing our organization to be one of the recipients to benefit from this community involved fundraiser.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who played a part in planning, organizing and participating in this event to truly make this a family fun time for all.

Pictured here, from left to right: Keith Willingham, North Star Steel Representative and Event Coordinator, Bonita Jackson, Hands of Grace Program Director, Holly Fetzer another North Star Steel



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