



August 2023 Newsletter

July Happy Belated Birthday's:

Jerry Ganfield, Melanie Knutson, Dorothy Lee and Cory Peters.

August Birthday's: Joyce Hansel, Becky Krenke, Allan Meyer, Larry Pierce, Maggie Rodriguez, Corinne Talley, and Brenda Wahl

Happy Birthday!

Enjoy the fair. Please check out the volunteer positions available in this newsletter and also a help needed from the Owatonna Bus Company.

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GFE's email address is:

Gfeducation123@gmail.com

Website:

www.grandparentsforeducation.org

Pen Pal Program:

If you want to be a Pen Pal next school year, please let me know and I can get the information to you. All our Pen Pal's from this year loved it. We will be adding Washington 4th graders to our list for 2023-2024 school year, another 90 students. We have several ways of getting the letters to you: email, texting, and a pick up and drop location at the History Center.

Phone: 507-390-4468 or Email:

gfeducation123@gmail.com to let me know your interest. This is a great way for all members to participate in volunteer work.

OMS Picture & Schedule Day

OMS has scheduled August 22, 7:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Shifts consist of 7:15 –10:45, 10:35- 1:55, and 1:45-4:55. Contact me at gfeducation123@gmail.com or 390-4468.

Parking at the Fair

We have an opportunity to earn money for GFE by doing parking at the Fair. There are six gates: S. Cedar Ave, Park Street, S. Elm Ave., AG/N. Austin, Water Tower/Austin Rd., and 18th St. Main Gate.

Shifts: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

When looking at the sign up sheets, it appears a lot of the 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. shifts are full. If anyone is interested, please notify me as soon as possible.

Fair Booth at Four Seasons Bldg.

United Way is allowing us to use their fair booth on Sunday, August 20 from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Anyone interested in helping, please let me know. Phone: 507-390-4468

Owatonna Bus Company

– Aides Needed!

Approximate Hours: 7:00am – 8:30-am

11:30am – 12:30am

2:00pm – 3:30pm

Duties: help students buckle/unbuckle, help with backpacks, coats, hats, mittens, help keep the students happy by having lighthearted conversations, singing, etc, help with loading, securing, and unloading of wheelchairs.

Pay: based on length of route and experience/qualifications - \$12 - \$15 per hour(routes usually an hour but some can be an hour and a half)

Days off: follow the school district calendar schedule, you can bring Grandkids with you if needed.

Stop out at 1145 Park Dr., Owatonna, to fill out an application.

Personal Notes:

Below is our list of volunteers who are highly vulnerable. Please keep all of these wonderful members in your prayers and drop them a line when you can.

Most of these people are on Facebook so please befriend them to keep in touch with their lives.

-LeAnn Masche was in the hospital again but now is home. Please keep her in your prayers and send cards to 309 Lincoln Ave., Owatonna, MN 55060

--Sondra von Arb says hi to everyone and please keep her in your prayers and send those cards to Lakeshore Assisted Living, 150 8th Street NW, Apt. 205, Waseca, MN 56093.

**--Edith Zamboni's requesting emails:
zamtwins@yahoo.com.**

--Sue Jacobsen, send cards and letters to 4650 County Road 180, Owatonna, MN 55060.

--Nancy Karsten is healing. Please send cards to 1995 Raspberry Ridge Pl NE, Owatonna, MN 55060

--Mary Overlee-Olson, send cards to 360 Thomas Ave., Owatonna, MN 55060

--Marsha Christiansen, send cards to her at: The Commons on Marice, 1380 Marice Drive, Rm 247, Eagan, MN 55121.

---Fred Ventura: Please keep him in your prayers and send cards to 566 Maple Drive, Owatonna, MN 55060.

If you know of anyone else who needs our support and prayers through surgery or a long illness, please let me know.

Remember if you sign up a new volunteer, you will receive a \$5 gift card from HyVee.

Board Meeting are the first Monday of the month. All meetings will be held at the library second floor conference room at 4:00. If you're interested in joining the board, contact myself or come to a meeting.

Board Members:

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