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A Family For Every Child
Volunteer Newsletter **August 2012**

"A Home for the Holidays"

It is time for our second "A Home for the Holidays" Winter Wonderland themed Event (yes, this is a new name) and we would be honored if you could join us on Wednesday, August 22nd, at the Oregon Electric Station for our second event meeting. It will start at 12:00.

We will be going over the different committees, needs and where they are at currently. We would love to have you join us for this meeting even if you have not gotten involved yet, but would like to. Come see where your interests and heart guides you.

Please RSVP to Linzy or Christy

Linzy Munger
Linzy@afamilyforeverychild.org

Christy Obie-Barrett
christy@afamilyforeverychild.org

AFFEC office: 541-343-2856

Volunteer of the Month

Zelda Ordulu

Zelda Ordulu has been a dedicated volunteer with A Family For Every Child for the past 7 months. She began her time with us as a Submit volunteer and quickly found her place in a very important position doing child follow up.

Zelda's communication skills and ability to ask the right questions has lead to AFFEC helping more children with recruitment and insuring that our website and child information is always current.

Zelda has been such an asset and will soon be leaving us to seek out new adventures in Turkey. We will miss her friendly personality and her contagious smile and the great work that she has dedicated to us for most of the year!

Zelda

**Thank you
for all your
hard work!**



Volunteer/Intern Positions

We have several volunteer and intern roles that are especially needed now.

Instructions on how to Volunteer or become an Intern:

- Fill out the Volunteer Application on our website, listed below.
- Tell us what position or area you are applying for on the application, including your skills and interests.
- If you are not sure which job is for you, we'll be happy to help you figure it out!

A Big Thank You

to everyone that helped us

to everyone that helped us
move to our new location!

**1675 W. 11th Ave.
Eugene, OR 97402**

Moving requires many hours of packing, transporting, and rearranging. We would like to say a special thank you to: staff, family, and friends that assisted us.

A special thank you to:

-Robert, for cleaning up, painting the old office

-Scott & Scott, for spending countless hours in setting up phone lines, computers, and fax machine

-Keri, for unpacking and rearranging our storage areas and for working on the Family Finding Tree

-Gail & Sandra, for packing up, moving and assisting us with our Life Books materials

Heart Gallery Venue Volunteers:

**Super job with getting
new photos up monthly!**

We have over 120 photos out in 41 Heart Gallery venues, showing around 50 children!

Special Volunteer Thank You to Scott Freytag

Scott Freytag joined the volunteer crew of A Family For Every Child just a couple of months ago and stepped right up to a challenge: help us install our phone system! He gracefully spent a Saturday to help and donated a patch panel as well. He neatly connected all 24 ports and tie-wrapped it all into place, made sure the fax line worked, and helped to identify a failed router (and corrected the webmaster's misconceptions about unmanaged switches). All the phone lines worked perfectly.

We were able to open for business on our first day at our new location! Thank you Scott!

Needed:

Family Finding Training
Saturday, August 18th from 9-12

If you are interested in becoming a "Family Finding" volunteer, a training is coming up soon! Family Finding is a program that finds relatives and other lost loved ones for children in foster care.

Contact Caitlin at:

caitlin@afamilyforeverychild.org

Needed:

Recruitment Assistant

Need someone to add photos, bios, and videos to templates which will be used to highlight children at recruitment events.

Other duties will include child listing and caseworker follow-up. Contact Katie at:

katie.nelson@afamilyforeverychild.org

Needed:

Child Mentors

Adult friends are needed who will encourage and support a foster child through transition times and instill independence, confidence, and everyday life skills. Male mentors especially needed in Portland area.

Contact Christina at:

christina.parra@afamilyforeverychild.org

Needed:

Family Search Specialist

Someone who can be supportive, empathetic, and diligent in conducting child searches for families working through the adoption process, communicating also with outside agencies.

Contact Nora at:

nora.sharp@afamilyforeverychild.org

Scott Freytag

**Thank you
for all your
help, Scott!**



Other Volunteer Positions Available

Heart Gallery of America: Someone to communicate with Heart Galleries across America, update info, improve service and assist with gallery coordination, enter status data into web applications.

Graphic Design Coordinator: Someone who is interested in graphic design to assist in adding excitement to our front web page, text message page and HGA site.

Photo / Videographer Coordinator: Someone who can do outreach and connect with photographers, scheduling photo sessions, following up and processing images once completed.

Raffle Manager for Auction: Someone to manage the raffle at the Auction for 'A Home for the Holidays.'

Auction/Procurement: Someone to procure items for the auction, mainly using phone and internet.

Interested in Volunteering?

Remember to Check out our new **VOLUNTEER NOW** page at: <http://www.afamilyforeverychild.org/AboutUs/GetInvolved/volunteerjobs.php> where you can easily click on our Volunteer Application.

With the help of our hundreds of wonderful Volunteers, we are making a difference in the lives of countless children in the Foster Care system.

With every hand that is extended and reaching out, **WE ARE** making an impact - day by day - one child at a time.

For questions about Volunteering, or about any of these roles, please contact us at: info@afamilyforeverychild.org or call at: 541-343-2856.

Come and Join Us!



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