

## EASTER CELEBRATIONS Sunday, April 21, 2019

Established in the beliefs of our founder, Armand Marquiset, we want to celebrate the lives of our elderly friends by bringing them happiness and joy on special occasions. Therefore, we have made a tradition of serving a holiday meal so they won't be alone on Easter. We currently serve about 800 elderly people at twelve sites in five counties.

### Sit-Down Meal Sites and Times

The Easter meals will be served at **2:00pm**.

-  St. Ann's Church, BARAGA
-  Sacred Heart Church, CALUMET
-  Church of the Resurrection, HANCOCK
-  St. Ignatius Church, HOUGHTON
-  St. Michael's Catholic Church, MARQUETTE (Dunleavy Hall)
-  Horizons School, MOHAWK
-  Holy Family Catholic Church, ONTONAGON
-  Grace Lutheran Church, SOUTH RANGE
-  Doelle Senior Center, TAPIOLA

### Home Delivery Meal Sites and Times

The Easter meals are ready to be delivered at **noon**.

-  Grace United Methodist Church, HOUGHTON
-  Site to be Determined, CALUMET/LAURIUM

### Home Visit with Gift and Flower

-  For our Forever Friends residing at the Houghton County Medical Care Facility in Hancock, we provide them with a home visit on Easter Sunday.

## Volunteer Opportunities

These Easter Celebrations cannot happen without YOU, the volunteer. Each site is unique because of the dedicated volunteers who make it special in their community.

There are many jobs available to choose from. We need cooks, dining room set-up crews, clean-up crews, servers, drivers, and more. To sign up to volunteer, register online at [register.littlebrothers.org](http://register.littlebrothers.org), return the enclosed volunteer response sheet, or call 906-482-6944.



The new online registration includes details of the volunteer jobs as well as times and locations. If you register online or provide your email on the enclosed response sheet, you'll receive an email confirmation of your assignment. You will not receive a confirmation phone call. If you have questions regarding your volunteer assignment or wish to receive a verbal confirmation, please call Carol Korpela, Program Director at 906-482-6944 or email [carol.korpela@littlebrothers.org](mailto:carol.korpela@littlebrothers.org). More information is available on our website [houghton.littlebrothers.org/holiday-volunteering/](http://houghton.littlebrothers.org/holiday-volunteering/)

## Holiday Volunteer Informational Meetings

Both new and long-time volunteers are encouraged to attend these informative meetings. It's an opportunity for new volunteers to prepare for their first holiday experience. Long-term volunteers can share their best practices and refresh their knowledge. There will be an opportunity to meet with other volunteers at your site and ask questions. For more information, please call Carol Korpela, Program Director at 906-482-6944.

### Scheduled Trainings

**Tuesday, April 16th 6-7pm**

St. Ann's - 318 Lyons St, Baraga

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**Wednesday, April 17th 6-7pm**

Little Brothers - 527 Hancock St, Hancock

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**Wednesday, April 17th 6-7pm**

St. Michael's Dunleavy Hall - 401 W. Kaye St, Marquette

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**Thursday, April 18th 6-7pm**

Holy Family - 515 Pine St, Ontonagon

## HOLIDAY FAQ

### Why do you need my birth date when I register to volunteer?

We ask for your birthdate for several reasons. One, it helps us to know how many more volunteers we need. We don't include small children under the age of 10 in the volunteer counts because often, they can't carry out the duties of an adult. But, their involvement is still important and appreciated because we like to provide a familial atmosphere and the elders really enjoy interacting with them.

Second, we need to know our volunteers are age appropriate for other roles. For example, drivers are over the age of 18.

Finally, we want to ensure the safety of our elders and volunteers so we will perform a background check using the state of Michigan service - ichtat (internet criminal history access tool). We know you are concerned about the confidentiality of your personal information. We take it seriously. Only authorized personnel who have been vetted have access to your information. Our online registration is secure. Note that it is preceded by the secure version, https. If you aren't comfortable sharing it through our online portal, you are welcome to call in your volunteer registration over the phone at 906-482-6944.

## In Memoriam

### Junior Bast

3/24/1940-10/9/2018

Visited by Noelia Spranger

### Paulette Frame

10/3/1944-11/23/2018

Visited by Joyce Koski and April Cote

### Allan Jolly

7/20/1922-10/20/2018

Visited by Ren Olson

### Zane Kettenbeil

3/29/1925-2/10/2019

Visited by Lorene Tonati

### Elaine Kuntz

8/17/1943-10/14/2018

Visited by Nina Stellmacher

### Normadine "Dede" Lafernier

11/12/1934-11/29/2018

Visited by Noelia Spranger

### Germaine LeMoine

4/1/1917-1/23/2019

Visited by Jannik Filmar

### Norma O'Brien

7/8/1932-11/28/2018

Visited by Ren Olson

### Marian Schumacher

7/27/1924-11/15/2018

Visited by Tom-Marwin Pohl

### Virginia Secor

7/3/1930-11/28/2018

Visited by Claudia Brain

### Clayton Tervo

6/21/1934-1/24/2019

Visited by Ron Lessard



## FUNDING & PROGRAM UPDATES

### ***Support for our Medical Transportation Program has been funded by:***

The Clare Foundation (\$20,000)

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The Klungness Family Foundation (\$1,000)

The Mary Thompson Foundation (\$12,000)

### ***Support for our Marquette Services & Programs have been funded by:***

The Henry Niles Foundation (\$2,500)

SEMCO Energy (\$250)

We are also proud to be a recipient and collaborator with the Superior Health Foundation through their Gala Partnership Grant (\$10,000).

## Baraga and Ontonagon Outreach

We are thankful to have volunteers and two full-time Volunteer Program Assistants from Germany, Jannik Filmar and Noelia Spranger, to visit our elderly Forever Friends in Baraga and Ontonagon. We currently visit between twenty and twenty-five elders in each community.

More visiting volunteers are needed to provide friendship to a lonely, isolated elder at least twice a month. If you are interested in becoming a Visiting Volunteer, please call Sarah Hoffman, Elder Services Coordinator at 906-482-6944 or email [sarah.hoffman@littlebrothers.org](mailto:sarah.hoffman@littlebrothers.org).

In addition to visits, we also host social events including "Ma and Pa" day (a day to celebrate Mother's and Father's Day), game days or coffee klatsch, and summer activities.

We would like to provide our Forever Friends with more social events but are in great need of volunteers. Some volunteer opportunities include driving our elders to and from the events, helping with meal prep, serving, and cleanup. If you have suggestions and are interested in volunteering for any of these social events, please call Joyce Koski, Outreach Services Coordinator at 906-482-6944 or email [joyce.koski@littlebrothers.org](mailto:joyce.koski@littlebrothers.org).

## Marquette Outreach

Expanding to Marquette has been an exciting time for Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Chapter. At the Marquette office we have been working hard at developing our programs not only in Marquette, but also in Harvey, Negaunee, and Ishpeming. We have recently added four new Forever Friends to our visiting program and this number will continue to grow quickly.

Both the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays were a huge success and had a wonderful turnout of 130 elders. Therefore, we are optimistic that we will be starting a second meal site for holiday meals in the near future, enabling us to serve even more elderly.

Recently hired Program Manager, April Cote and Volunteer Coordinator, Andrea Harvey\* have been in the community, working closely with local churches, and Northern Michigan University to recruit volunteers in the Marquette area. They recently participated in an event sponsored by Connect Marquette (formerly 40 below) and Grow and Lead, Community and Youth Development, to recruit young professional volunteers.

Plans are in the works to start a coffee klatsch in the near future and we are working hard on planning our Easter Holiday Meal, and looking forward to summer and thinking up wonderful activities for our elderly friends and volunteers to take part in.

\* Please read more about April and Andrea on the next page.

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# The Rose

Volunteer Newsletter

Spring 2019

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**APRIL COTE**, Program Manager, Marquette Office

I am from the Marquette area originally but have had the privilege of living in Upper Peninsula's Houghton, Baraga, Keweenaw and Marquette counties. I am the mother of three wonderful children. I have over fifteen years' experience with volunteering and working in non-profits. I am passionate about helping people and find non-profit work some of the most rewarding work there is. My professional and volunteer experience includes organizations such as community foundations, organizations servicing disabled persons, low-income service organizations, as well as youth and family support programs. I am delighted for the opportunity to have taken on the role as Program Manager for the Marquette County office as we expand our services into this community, and I am excited to see what we will accomplish in 2019!



**ANDREA HARVEY**, Volunteer Coordinator, Marquette office

I was born and raised in Ishpeming, so I will be bringing a little west side culture to our office. I am married and have 3 children along with my Mom who lives with us. I believe that multi-generational interaction and friendships are beautiful and that each person has something to give in the relationship. That is my goal, to recruit young volunteers to help bring vitality and life into our elders lives, and in return they will gain wisdom, insight and a friendship to cherish.

**KARA PAAVILAINEN**, Activities Coordinator, Hancock office

I'm a Copper Country native and live in Hancock with my 8-year-old son, Cole, and two huskies, Troy and Fiona. I'm a member of Keweenaw Roller Derby and have held a board position three of the four years I've been with the league. I currently am the Bout Production Chair, responsible for coordinating a bout (game) with an average of 350 spectators and 40 or more volunteers. I've worked in area restaurants for the past decade and have put together weddings, banquets, and parties for large groups of people. I was hired in January and am working on my fifth event. I'm really excited to implement some fresh ideas to build upon an already great program. My favorite part of being the Activities Coordinator is seeing the volunteers and elders interacting. It's so rewarding to see everyone enjoying themselves after putting in many hours of planning.



# EASTER 2019 VOLUNTEER RESPONSE SHEET

Volunteers over the age of 10:

NAME or ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

If you provide your email, we will send you an email confirmation of your volunteer assignment.

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Have you Volunteered Before?  Yes  No      Would you like to receive the Volunteer Newsletter?  Yes  No  
Printed or Electronic? \_\_\_\_\_

**I/WE WILL VOLUNTEER ON EASTER DAY at the following site....**     **YES**     **NO**

### SIT-DOWN Sites and Volunteer Times:

HANCOCK     CALUMET     HOUGHTON  
 TAPIOLA     SOUTH RANGE     MOHAWK  
 ONTONAGON     BARAGA     MARQUETTE

cook (10am)  
 dining room set up & greeting (12pm)  
 serve (1:30pm)  
 clean up (2pm)  
 transport guests  
 meal delivery (1:45pm for sites in bold above) # cars \_\_\_\_\_  
 musical entertainment (1:30pm)

### NURSING HOME:

HCMCF Home Visit  
No meal will be provided.  
Instead we will deliver a gift  
and flower with a visit.

**Gifts can be picked up from  
Little Brothers between 9am  
and 1pm Easter Day**

### DELIVERY Sites and Volunteer Times:

GRACE UNITED METHODIST, Houghton  
 Site to be determined, Calumet/Laurium  
 cook (8am)  
 dining room set up & distribution (10am)  
 meal delivery (11:45am) # Cars \_\_\_\_\_

**I/WE CAN VOLUNTEER FOR OTHER HOLIDAY NEEDS:**     **YES**     **NO**

Deliver supplies to a site April 20th between 7am and 1pm  
 Decorate Grocery Bags: \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of bags (need by April 12th)  
 Make Easter Baskets: \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of baskets (need by April 12th)  
 Make/Answer Phone Calls  
 Office Cleanup April 22nd 10am—noon  
 Bake Dessert: \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of servings delivered to: [  ] Hancock office by April 18th    or    delivered to: [  ] \_\_\_\_\_ meal site on Easter Day

**I/WE CAN ATTEND A HOLIDAY MEETING:** (details on page 2)     **YES**     **NO**     **MAYBE**

April 16 in Baraga 6-7pm     April 17 in Hancock 6-7pm     April 17 in Marquette 6-7pm     April 18 in Ontonagon 6-7pm  
St. Ann's    Little Brothers    St. Michael's Dunleavy Hall    Holy Family Catholic

*For Office Use Only (do not fill out)*

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

[  ] Totals Board    [  ] Registration Completed    [  ] GWs

[  ] Manual    [  ] Master List    [  ] Called into site