# **Volunteer Center Network**

Virtual Meeting Notes

**Wednesday, Jan. 26 | 9:00 AM**

Meeting Recording: <https://youtu.be/-uOXtVMvB8I>

Other info & updates: <https://volunteersheboygan.galaxydigital.com/volunteer-center-network-resources/>

*Special Note: Katelyn Piper will be on maternity leave starting the beginning of April and will be back in July. Contact Gina Covelli (*[*gina@uwofsc.org*](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org)*) for any inquires you have during those months.*

VCN Marketing Opportunities

Weekly emails are sent to local press and UWSC corporate partners with volunteer opportunities listed on our website. If you have any time sensitive volunteer opportunities, contact Kaila Klein by emailing [kaila@uwofsc.org](mailto:kaila@uwofsc.org).

Another reminder to sign up for your annual radio spot and digital sign messaging:

* **Radio Spots:**
  + [**Click here to reserve your spot.**](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f44aea72fa6f85-2021)
  + **Radio Contact: Katelyn Piper (**[katelyn@uwofsc.org](mailto:katelyn@uwofsc.org)**) and Gina Covelli (**[gina@uwofsc.org](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org)**)**
* **Reserve the Digital Outdoor Sign:**
  + Step 1:[**Click here to reserve your time slot for the digital sign.**](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f44aea72fa6f85-united)
  + Step 2:[**Click here for the digital sign form.**](https://uwofsc.org/assets/Uploads/Elements/FileList/Digital-Sign-Instructions.docx)
  + **Digital Sign Contact: Kaila Klein (**[kaila@uwofs.org](mailto:kaila@uwofs.org)**)**

Events

* **Spirit of Sheboygan County Volunteer Awards:** 
  + Nominations are due: February 11th   
    (Nomination form and information: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/21SA>)
  + We are hopeful to host the awards ceremony in person again. Following closely with public health and CDC guidelines, we currently are planning a luncheon at the American Club on Wednesday, April 20th.
* **Save the Date: 2022 Day of Caring on Thursday, Sept 22**
  + Watch for more information as we are looking to have planning information and documentation out earlier this year to help you plan!

Agency Share Out

Agency representatives asked to share their current volunteer needs, projects they are working on, and their favorite ‘hygge’ things (things that keep you warm and cozy during these cold months). For hygge items, watch the video recording 😊

**Sheboygan A’s & Plymouth Dirt Track: Bill Weinaug**

* Update: Sheboygan A’s is hiring an Executive Director; Questions can be directed to: [bweinaug@sheboyganbaseball.org](mailto:bweinaug@sheboyganbaseball.org) or [sstangel@sheboyganbaseball.org](mailto:sstangel@sheboyganbaseball.org)

**LOVE INC: Dawn Grabowski**

* Volunteer needs: Childcare program volunteers and kitchen help
* Other Projects: Impact Task force team and Database

**Horizon4Girls: Char Pachniak**

* Volunteer needs: Mentors
* Other Projects: Internet guru to update their website

**Agency share out continued…**

**Great Marriages: Megan** **Bernal**

* Volunteer needs: Mentors (goal of 9 new mentors for the year)
* Other Projects: Getting ready for their banquet

**Meals On Wheels: Allison Thompson**

* Volunteer needs: Meal delivery
* Other Projects: Soup March 11th; Juneapolooza June 25
* MOW is also hiring. Opening positions: community relations coordinator and an account receivables bookkeeper.

**Junior Achievement: Jenni Stein**

* Volunteer needs: Need for 225 classes in person currently; heavy need in the spring (160+ volunteers to fill)
* Other Projects: Cheers to Achievement event in Spring coming up along with their [Young Entrepreneur Live Competition](https://wisconsin.ja.org/events/young-entrepreneur-live-competition?_ga=2.54461224.1486399603.1643220955-1496722519.1643220955) (Shark Tank like event) in February
* More info: <https://sheboygan.ja.org/>

**Literacy Council (FRC): Carol Myers/Jen Balge**

* Volunteer needs: Tutors (18+)
* Other Projects: Training Manual updated; Hiring a new Instructor; Celebrating their 25th Anniversary coming up

**Board on Aging and Long Term Care: Sheryl Meyer**

* Volunteer needs: continuing to look for volunteer ombudsman for their program
* Other Projects: Piloting mentor program for their volunteers

**RCS: Jody Merenick**

* Volunteer needs: Volunteers looking to share talents
* Other Projects: Staff shortages, new website and branding

**Sheboygan County Food Bank: Jodie** **Zajkowski**

* Volunteer needs: Time to refresh; looking for volunteers for their new pantry
* Other Projects: Making Spirits Bright completed; new Drive-Thru pantry open on Mondays from 5-7p and Wednesdays from 10-12p at their warehouse (starting Feb 2)

**A Million Dreamz: Angel Berry**

* Volunteer needs: Names for working and volunteering; looking for a treasurer
* Other Projects: Building work; murals
* For more info, visit [www.amilliondreamz.org](http://www.amilliondreamz.org)

**Aurora Hospice: Lexi Pirman**

* Volunteer needs: looking for volunteers to support their at home hospice program

**Safe Habor: Vanessa VanderWeele**

* Volunteer needs: Men Who Cook
* Other Projects: April is Sexual Assault Awareness month projects/activities (Denim Day)
* Note: Wednesday, April 27th is Denim Day – so wear your blue and/or Denim to spread awareness!

**Habitat for Humanity: Kendra Kelling**

* Volunteer: Restore; March/April build volunteers; Rock the Block
* Projects: 3 more builds for the year

**Agency share out continued…**

**Above & Beyond Children’s Museum: Lily Yang**

* Volunteer needs: April Spring Celebration volunteers
* Other Projects: Working on a new way to show appreciation for their members

**Providing Access To Healing – PATH (UWSC): Bri Heusterberg**

* Other Projects: PATH Golf Outing fundraiser on June 17th

**Notes via Chat:**

*Molly Talaska (Sheboygan County Chamber):* For the Chamber, don't forget to register for our Chamber Champions Gala on Feb 10th! Have a great day!

*Carolyn Morgen (Kohler Andrae State Park):*

* Volunteer needs: Looking for volunteers for Nature Center Hosting in May and July.
* Other Projects: Started a new volunteer database: <https://app.betterimpact.com>

*Tracy Arens (Sharon Richardson Hospice/Resale Store):*

* Volunteer Needs: Always looking for patient care volunteers and volunteers for our Resale Store.
* Other Projects: Working on their April Volunteer appreciation event.

Debbie (Kohler Foundation)

* Volunteer needs: Looking for volunteers for their Distinguished Guests Series to help check guests with safety protocols and usher

Meeting Wrap-up

* Next Meeting is Wednesday, June 22nd

Ongoing Reminders

MEETING TOPICS

Reach out to [Gina](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org) with topics for future meetings.

AGENCY CONTACT UPDATES

Reach out to [Gina](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org) to add new staff members to the Volunteer Center email list.

EVENT CALENDARS

As you plan your upcoming events, we wanted to share with you two resources to post your event on as you plan and finalize your events:

* As you plan your events, [click here to fill this form out for access to the shared Nonprofit Google Calendar](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScf_yi_i3bposvHxUws5BclvpPnYZdepJpDCUB6yf8FrEkrMg/viewform). This can help you see what other nonprofit events are being planned in our community. (<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScf_yi_i3bposvHxUws5BclvpPnYZdepJpDCUB6yf8FrEkrMg/viewform>) (This google form is hosted by Big Brothers Big Sisters)
* As your events are finalized, [click here to post event details on Sheboygan County Chamber of Commerce](https://business.sheboygan.org/events/public-submission). This can help you spread the word about your upcoming event. (<https://business.sheboygan.org/events/public-submission>)

UWSC Office & Staff Information

*Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to Noon.*

*UWSC Office is currently closed to the public. To schedule an appointment or for specific questions, utilize the following contacts:*

* **General questions and inquiries** | [info@uwofsc.org](mailto:info@uwofsc.org) or 920-458-3425
* **General Volunteer Center** | [volunteer@uwofsc.org](mailto:volunteer@uwofsc.org)
* **Operations & Finance Inquiries** | Kaitlin Deschane, [kaitlin@uwofsc.org](mailto:kaitlin@uwofsc.org)
* **Nonprofit Agency** | Gina Covelli, [gina@uwofsc.org](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org)
* **Donor & Campaign Info** | Emily Kaiser, [emily@uwofsc.org](mailto:emily@uwofsc.org)
* **Campaign & Marketing Info** | Katelyn Piper, [katelyn@uwofsc.org](mailto:katelyn@uwofsc.org)
* **PATH Program Info** | Brianna Heusterberg, [brianna@uwofsc.org](mailto:brianna@uwofsc.org)
* **Community Partnership for Children Initiative Info** | Ryan Wilinski, [ryan@uwofsc.org](mailto:ryan@uwofsc.org)

You can also leave a voicemail at 920-458-3425 and someone will return your call as soon as they are able.

Learn more about each staff member: <https://www.uwofsc.org/about/our-team/staff/>