Serenity Inns / Alumni House Updates

At this time, Serenity Inns has 7 residents and the Innkeeper living there. Two of the residents will be graduating and moving to Alumni House in mid-May, leaving 5 residents. While there will be room and the Serenity Inns staff is getting calls from those who want to be admitted to SI, staff has made it a top priority to accept new men safely. Admitting someone who tests positive for Covid-19 is a real danger.

Dinner Fellowship:

The FPLC signup for dinner fellowship (3 nights/month) is covered through June, but the Summer/Fall schedule will be coming out soon. Volunteers can signup on the Serenity Inns website (serenityinns.org) for open dates on the Volunteer Calendar—it doesn't have to be one of the FPLC dates. At the bottom of the calendar, you will find contact information (a phone number and/or an email address) so you can let the staff know that they will take the open date.

Dinner fellowship volunteers are simply dropping off food at this time—or ordering it and having it delivered. There are a number of options for pick-up and delivery from the SI neighborhood. Contact Lorraine Buehler (see below) for a list of restaurants. Serenity Inns wants above all else to be a good neighbor, minimizing exposure to volunteers and the residents to the Coronavirus!

Because most of the 8 residents of Alumni House are currently unemployed, volunteers have also been taking meals to the residents to help them get through this unprecedented time. Please can contact Jason Dobson if you would like to drop off a meal at Alumni House, 832 N. 25th Street (si.jason@att.net).

Thanks to FPLC members for your continued support of Serenity Inns.

Your support means more than you can imagine!

Contact Lorraine Buehler with questions or to volunteer: lcbuehler@cs.com; 414-964-8933.

Special Donation Need for Serenity Inns & Alumni House

Serenity Inns and Alumni House need hand sanitizers and bleach wipes. Please leave them in a clearly marked bag in the Food Donation Bin at FPLC. The bin is located outside the back East door of the church every Friday from 10 am – 2 pm. This is an un-manned, contact-free donation site.

Lutheran Social Services: Diaper/wipes collection

For the month of May, we are collecting diapers and baby wipes for Lutheran Social Services' Refugee Resettlement families. LSS is restocking their baby supply area and is in need of these items.

They can be dropped off in the rolling cart outside FPLC's back East door on Fridays from 10 am – 2pm. (Same location as the food drive drop off. See Feed the Need article below.)

Covid-19 Worker Thank You Signs to Benefit Feeding America

Maybe you know a frontline worker that you want to surprise or you want to display your "thanks" in your own front yard? We hope for a \$5 donation or more for each sign but if you are not able to donate, the signs are FREE. All donations for the signs will be given to Feeding America. Please contact FPLC members Cathy DeMuth and Gretchen Menard if you would like to support this fundraiser. They will deliver the signs to your house or the location of your choice! There is NO marketing on these signs, just the THANK YOU!

- +Emails: <u>cdemuth@shorewest.com</u> or <u>gmenard@shorewest.com</u>
- +TEXT: Cathy 414-531-6520 or Gretchen 414-659-1023
- +Or PM us on our individual FB page or our CG realtors page

We take cash, Venmo or check. Check can be to Feeding America or Cathy Demuth

You can take one sign or numerous signs.

Remember, they will deliver!!! Or you can pickup!

Please feel free to spread the word so we continue to increase our contribution to Feeding America.