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Mission Statement

Believing that God calls us as people of faith, to minister to those in need, the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Fayette, Inc., will, through an interfaith network of trained volunteers, provide supportive services and outreach to meet the needs of the elderly (ordinarily Age 60+)

Oldies Dance Revisited

What a GREAT night for all who attended. The Chinese and live auction were a HUGE success. How can Interfaith begin to thank all in this wonderful community who showed their faith in our organization by donating thousands of dollars worth of goods, services and food. It is the faith of these great people that give us hope that Interfaith will be able to continue to serve the frail elderly of the community. A special thanks to our major donor, RX Plus and the Caring Hands Committee consisting of Denise DelGreco, Liz Dunham, Tim Chesler, Carol Ashton, Charlotte Steich & Sharon Waltz. We hope that everyone had a wonderful time and we look forward to seeing all of you and your friends there again next year on April 10, 2010 at the Lakeside Party Center, so keep that date open.

Honoring our volunteers

We can never thank our wonderful caring volunteers enough for their dedication and service. They are truly the ones responsible for making Interfaith the success that it is. Interfaith would like to take this opportunity to officially honor them at our annual

**Volunteer Appreciation Dinner June 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.
Third Presbyterian Church
Contact the Interfaith Office at 724-438-0709 for reservations by Thursday June 4th if possible.**

Please plan to attend and all volunteers & donors are welcome to bring spouses, and volunteers may bring friends or one of your favorite carereceivers.



Words from Our Carereceivers

Often we receive notes of thanks from our carereceivers. Following are excerpts from a few:

Words cannot express my gratitude for your help in getting me to and from my doctor appointments. Thank you so much. Without you I don't know what I would do. Thank you again and again.

Dear Carol & Associates,
Just want to thank you for your recent help with finding me transportation and how you go out of your way to do so. Hope to meet you someday.
Carol & Staff,
Thank you ever so much in assisting my mom! You are wonderful in every way! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!

Dear Carol,
Thank Interfaith for arranging my trip to the dentist by your very compassionate interesting volunteer.

My Dear Charlotte:
"Thank You" so much for getting me to the doctors. I don't ride the bus anymore. You'll never know how grateful I really am. The

Volunteer was truly wonderful to me. She went out of her way to see I didn't fall. Again "thanks" for getting me to the doctor.



FUNDRAISERS

Interfaith will be hosting the **Storey Square Summer Series on Thursday, July 16, 2009 from 5:30-7:00 pm, featuring the Brass Knuckles Band.** Jackson Farm ice cream will be served by our mystery celebrity. A gift basket by Carson Hughes will be raffled off to benefit Interfaith. Food vendor for the event will be Caleigh's.

Lafayette Manor, Inc. will be holding a **hoagie sale** to benefit Interfaith on **Friday, June 12, 2009.** Twelve-inch hoagies will be sold for \$5.00 each. Email Interfaith at cashton@ivcgf.org or call for order sheets. When completed they can be faxed directly to Stacey at (724) 430-4890. Bosses.....here is your opportunity to show your appreciation to your staff. If ten or more hoagies are obtained at one location, the hoagies will be delivered. Individual orders may be picked up at Lafayette Manor after 8:00 a.m. on Friday, June 12, 2009. We look forward to your support!

SCAMS

Many of you have indicated your appreciation for information concerning the latest scams that are out there looking for someone like you. Below are a couple of the latest scams according to www.snopes.com.

How to Lock Your Car and Why!

I locked my car...as I walked away I heard my car door unlock so I went back and locked my car again, three times. I looked around and there were two men sitting in a car in the fire lane next to the store. When I looked straight at them they did not unlock my car again..

How to lock your car safely –

While traveling, my son stopped at a roadside park. He came out to his car less than 4-5 minutes later and found someone had gotten into his car and stolen his cell phone, laptop computer, GPS system briefcase...you name it.

He called the police and since there were no signs of his car being broken into – the police told him that there is a device that thieves are using now to clone your security code when you lock your doors on your car using your keychain locking device.

They sit a distance away and watch for their next victim. They know you are going inside the store, restaurant, etc. and have a few minutes to steal and run. The police officer said to manually lock your car door by hitting the lock button inside the car, that way if there is someone sitting in a parked car watching for their next victim, it will not be you.

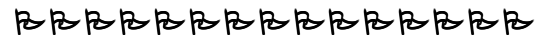
When you hit the lock button on your car upon exiting...it does not send the security code, but if you walk away and use the door lock on your key chain it sends the code through the airwaves where it can be stolen. Something totally new to us...and real. Be aware of this and please pass this on to everyone you know. This has been researched and is Snopes approved.



Over 65, and Pumping Iron!

It's been evident that weight training, even by seniors who start out very slowly, can

improve muscle strength and function. Now, according to a study conducted by the Buck Institute for Age Research in Novato, California, after six months of strength training by men and women 65 and older, the genetic profile of their muscles showed a more youthful appearance. Conclusion: Weight training may actually make elderly muscles younger. Now what? With permission from your physician, why not sign up for a session with a personal trainer at the YMCA or other fitness center



Cheaper Prescriptions are a Must!!!

Pennsylvania Gov. Rendell announced a new website to help consumers compare the prices of prescription drugs at various pharmacies in their area. Three hundred of the most commonly prescribed medications are listed. To check the prices, you will need to know the drug name, dosage, and zip code or town. Data is updated weekly. Prices for brand name drugs often vary from \$10-\$40, and even generic drug prices vary. Go to www.PaRxPriceFinder.com to find the least expensive pharmacy for your prescription purchases.

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January 1, 2009 - May 31, 2009

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Inspirational Reading

For those of you who enjoy reading, we would like to recommend a new book called "Promise to Mary" a story of Faith in Action written by Paul Jellinek. It is a "must read" for all who currently volunteer or are interested in beginning to do so. This book can be purchased at your local bookstore or on amazon.com.

EVERYONE NEEDS TO LAUGH!

Only in America...

- Do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.
- Do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.
- Do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters.
- Do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.
- Do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering.
- Do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight.



HOW TO CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU'RE OLD AND DON'T MOVE FAST ANYMORE!!

An elderly man, from Mississippi was going to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed. which she could see from the bedroom window. He opened the back door to go turn off the light but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police who asked " Is someone in your house?"

He said "no" but some people are breaking into my garden shed and stealing from me.

Then the police dispatcher said “All patrols are busy. Lock your door and stay inside until an officer is available.”

The man hung up the phone and counted to 30 then phoned the police again. “Hello, I just called a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from me. Well don’t worry, I just shot them” and hung up. Within 5 minutes, six police cars, a SWAT team, a helicopter, two fire trucks, a paramedic, and an ambulance showed up and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said “I thought you said you shot them!”

The man replied, “I thought you said there was nobody available!”



Ever Wonder.....

Why the sun lightens our hair, but darkens our skin?

Why the man that invests all your money is called a BROKER?

Why there isn’t mouse flavored cat food?

Why women can’t put on mascara with their mouth closed?

Why is it that doctors call what they do “Practice”

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