
AMERICAN RED CROSS VOLUNTEER NEWS OF THE WEEK

To: All Volunteers
From: North Treasure Coast Chapter
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CHAPTER NEWS

<http://www.igive.com/>

A charity site that makes donations to important non-profit groups based on consumer on-line purchases. This charity service operates from Evanston, Illinois and it has helped to raise nearly \$1 million dollars for non-profit groups.

Joining igive.com is simple. You enter your e-mail address on the home page and then a charitable cause that you would like to give to, on the next page. You simply enter a keyword for your desired charity, then the state where the organization is located, and Igive.com will display the matches that it currently has in its database. If your chosen charity is displayed, you just click on the name and Igive.com will establish that charity as your chosen recipient for donations. After you select your charity you will be asked to enter some general information and to create a password

How Donations are Made: Igive.com receives money from on-line merchants each time you make a purchase through this site. There are more than 300 on-line services that you can use, including Amazon.com, Expedia.com, Walmart.com, Hallmark.com, Giftcertificates.com, PetSmart.com, and Eddiebauer.com. Each merchant has a stated, fixed percentage of your purchase that it will donate to your charity.

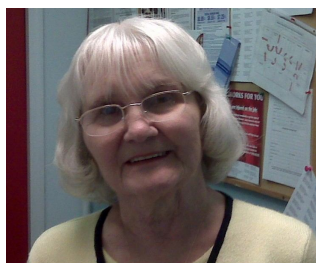
When you find the merchant that you wish to shop, you just click the web service's name, and it will take you into the web site. The Igive.com header will display at the top of the page, to remind you that you are logged in through Igive.com and to show you how much you have given so far and what percentage that the web site you are visiting will be donating, when a purchase is made. For more information on this site and how the donations are given, visit the site.



This month's Volunteer Spotlight is on

Mike Nolan

Mike Nolan, a retired firefighter, came to the Red Cross as a volunteer in 2006. Mike is a disaster volunteer working in Material Support Services. Mike is a certified ERV driver and is very active within the chapter, assisting with the routine maintenance on our fleet of vehicles and movement of supplies. Mike's next assignment will be going up to Sarasota to pick up a new 14 foot trailer that the chapter has obtained. In addition, Mike volunteers his time in Health and Safety, teaching CPR and First classes, volunteers at First aid Stations and participates in the instructor leadership meetings



Meet the Staff

Alice Ferguson- Receptionist in the Vero Beach office

The first person you meet when you walk in the door of the Vero Beach office is Alice Ferguson. Alice has been greeting people, registering clients for classes, answering the phone and lots of other jobs since joining us in April, 1999. She came to us through the AARP program and has never left. She is our resident baker-extraordinaire and makes sure we never miss a birthday! Alice has a Daughter and Son, who live with her in Vero Beach and close by, is her Grandson and his family which includes the apple of Alice's eye, her great-grand-daughter.

Alice is originally from East Liverpool, Ohio and has been in Florida since April 1985. She spent several years working and taking care of her mother before coming to the American Red Cross. We are glad she did.

“How we are doing!”

Thank you to everyone who has completed the survey. If you have not had the opportunity, please help us by answering the few questions. It will only take a few minutes.

As a part of the Chapter Performance Standards, the national organization wants all volunteers to complete our chapter survey on an annual basis. This helps us know where we can improve the volunteer experience for all of you. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey at the link below. Our chapter code is 10120. If you have any questions, please call or email Duane. Thanks so much for helping us!

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/survey.zgi?p=WEB226LYA9FVTN>



Make Ray Pay in High Gear!

By now all of our volunteers should have received a letter from Shelia Daniels asking for your participation in this year Make Ray Pay campaign.

Ray McGowan, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross North Treasure Coast chapter has again challenged our volunteers to donate and/or raise funds for the Chapter. He will match dollar for dollar the funds contributed or raised by volunteers during Red Cross Month. On top of that Ray will host a party for all who donate and we will present all participants with a chapter T shirt. Anyone who contributes or raises \$500 or more will be presented a Chapter windbreaker.

You already do so much, and the economy is really hard for most of us. We are really hoping to get everyone to participate. Send a contribution today, no amount is too small! Ask your neighbors, friends, and relatives to sponsor you. Get the kids together and have a car wash, or raise funds in any legal way!

You are HEROES of Red Cross.

Call Bob McCarthy for more information 772 562 2549.

Health and Safety “Tip of the Week”



Poison Prevention Week starts March 15th – 21st

Poison Control Phone Number-----**1-800-222-1222**

Reminder: Call 911 and then this number if you suspect any type of poisoning, human or pet. The Poison Control web site offers lots of information, both text and pictures on the Florida poisonous plants, animals, etc. They also have lots of information on drug interactions with vitamins and herbs. The following is the link to the Florida center in Tampa where information and pictures can be printed. <http://www.poisoncentertampa.org/> If you would like stickers to put on your telephone, please see Doris.



Now is the time to begin taking the training necessary to be ready for hurricane season.

Call Duane today

Port St. Lucie:

Adult CPR
Fulfilling our Mission
Damage Assessment
First Aid

Wed, Mar. 11
Wed. Mar 18
Sat. Mar. 14
Thur. Mar 19

5:30 PM – 9:30 PM
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
10:00AM – 1:00 PM
5:30 PM – 9:30 PM

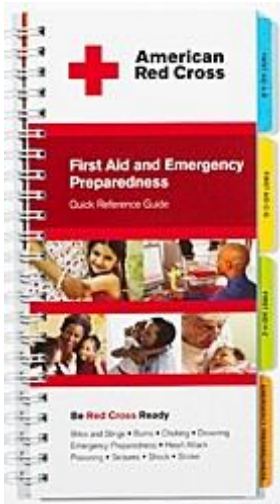
Vero Beach:

Disaster Instructor Specialty Training
Working Together
Working Together
Fulfilling our Mission

Tue. Mar 24 & Wed. Mar. 25
Thur. Mar. 26
Fri. Mar. 27
Mon. Mar. 30

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

March Special of the Month



First Aid Pamphlet

This guide contains comprehensive, step-by-step instructions for responding to a variety of first aid and disaster-related emergencies. Color-coded tabs allow you to quickly find information about breathing emergencies, heart attacks, choking, allergic reactions, burns, bites and stings, disasters and much more. The Quick Reference Guide is user-friendly and compact, making it ideal for office desk drawers, medicine cabinets, first aid kits, automobile glove compartments or briefcases. It's the perfect addition to any home, car or office.

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