Welcome Mike Moran, Parkland’s New AmeriCorps VISTA

Please join us in welcoming Parkland’s new Volunteer Coordinator, Mike Moran. Mike, an AmeriCorps VISTA, will be taking over Maurice Moore’s position as the College’s previous Volunteer Coordinator. Mike graduated from the University of Wisconsin - Madison last August with a double major in Classics and Classical Humanities as well as a certificate in European Studies. Prior to joining AmeriCorps, he volunteered with Madison’s homeless newspaper, Street Pulse. This is his first year as an AmeriCorps member, but he hopes to use this experience to create a career for himself in volunteerism. He looks forward to working with the community and bringing campus and community life closer together. You can contact Mike via email at mmoran@parkland.edu or by phone, (217) 353-3302.

Upcoming Volunteer Fair

Mark your calendars for this Fall’s Volunteer Fair, set for Wednesday, September 4 from 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. in the Gallery Lounge. The Volunteer Fair is a great way to network, meet the local nonprofit organizations, and to become involved in local volunteer opportunities. We’ve had great turnouts recently, so we’re excited to invite you to stop by the Fair, tell a friend about it, and maybe bring your class by to visit with over 20 community organizations. For more information or for a list of participating organizations contact Mike Moran at mmoran@parkland.edu or (217) 353-3302.

Join the Garden Hills Homework Club

For the past six years, students, faculty, and staff of Parkland College have been volunteering with 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at an afterschool program called the Homework Club at Garden Hills Elementary. The Club, a partnership between Parkland College and Champaign School District 4, meets two days a week (Mondays and Wednesdays), from 3:00-4:00 PM. We are currently recruiting members of the Parkland community to volunteer one or two days a week throughout the fall semester, providing not only academic support to the Garden Hills kids, but also serving as important role-models to at-risk youth. Due to past successful semesters with the Club, our primary goal is to expand, with more Parkland students, faculty, and staff working with more Garden Hills students. For information about potentially connecting yourself, or your class or club, with the Garden Hills/Parkland College Homework Club this semester, please contact Brian Nudelman @ 351-2534 or Mike Moran at 353-3302 mmoran@parkland.edu.
Check Out the Service-Learning Website!

Once again, we encourage you to take a look at the my.parkland Service Learning Website. On it, you can look at upcoming volunteer events, read news about service-learning on campus, and find current opportunities to work with community partners. A new portion of the site makes it simple to search for current opportunities in the area. You can view the Service-Learning Website here!

Share Your S-L Stories
If you are involved in service-learning with Parkland students, please share your stories with the Parkland community by contacting Mike Moran

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