

SILO FRIENDS



Joining Hands With Senior Volunteers Of Howe-To Industries

August 1, 1998

Time to "Re-Group"!

Is it just me, or are summers really shorter these days?! I think if we asked any school kid, he or she would tell us we're right! Back-to-school is just around the corner!

De la Howe students return to campus on Wednesday, August 12, just in time for their first day of school on Thursday, August 13. John de la Howe staff will be involved with intensive Staff Training activities on Monday and Tuesday, August 10 and 11, prior to the students' return.

On Tuesday, August 11, at 4 PM, we invite any and all of our volunteers to a Volunteer "Welcome Back" Reception to be held in the Training Room of The John Shiflet Center. This will give those who plan to help us out during the 1998-99 school year (both new and returning volunteers!) the chance to meet and talk with staff about your work together this year.

We sincerely hope that many of you will join us for this Reception for we look forward to "re-grouping" as we begin another exciting school year together! Thanks to all of you for all you do for us!

◆ Linda Kidd, HTI Coordinator

Happy Birthday! Six of our Volunteers celebrate birthdays in August. They are:

Jean White – August 2

Barbara Edmondson – August 16

Mary Riviere – August 21

Ingrid Hofer – August 25

Ed Meyer – August 26

Juanita Curtis – August 30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

Committee News

Accounting Committee: The Accounting Committee met July 7 to verify total Barn sales for the month of June (\$1,208.28). Next Accounting Committee meeting is Tues., Aug. 18, at 3 PM.

Activities & Events Committee: The Activities & Events Committee met on July 21 to evaluate this year's Dairy Festival. We had received 8 responses out of 21 vendor evaluations and 7 responses out of 40 volunteer evaluations that were mailed out. All responses indicated an overall excellent rating for this year's event with a few minor suggestions that will help make next year's Festival even better!

This Committee also discussed plans for our upcoming *Sixth Annual Barn Yard Party* to be held on *Thursday, August 27, at 6 PM at The Barn.*

This event is sponsored by students and staff of Howe-To Industries, and all senior citizens of our community are invited to be our guests!! Hope you can join us for some food, music, and fun! (Pete Young has again agreed to prepare his delicious chicken stew for us!)

Product Involvement/Inventory Control

Committees: The Product Involvement/Inventory Control Committees did not meet in July. The first date for them to meet in the new school year will be Tuesday, August 25, at 1:30 PM. This will give our Companies, who will hold their first organizational meetings Tuesday, August 18, an opportunity to plan what products they would like to propose to manufacture for The Barn.

Staffing/Transportation Committee: This committee did not meet on its regularly scheduled date, July 11, due to our Alumni Reunion. However, tabulated volunteer hours for the month of June were double-checked by Susan Powell when she worked in The Barn on Sat., July 18. Our grand total for June came to 464 hours – thanks to ALL VOLUNTEERS! Next S/T mtg.: Aug. 15, 10 AM.
Training & Evaluation Committee: This committee did not meet in July. Plans are for the Training & Evaluation Committee to meet on Aug. 20 at 2 PM.
Executive Committee: The Executive Committee met on July 14 prior to our Board of Directors meeting. Next Executive Comm. meeting: Aug. 25, 2:30 PM.

Bits and Pieces Thank you for all your July volunteer contributions as:

SUMMER PRODUCTION PROGRAM: Sara White, Paul & Shirley Hudson, Kathleen Price, John Scherer, and Demetris Reid

MARKET OPERATORS: Eileen Coleman, Fran Williams, Mac and Dot Arnold, Susan Powell, Rufus Sawyer, Paul & Shirley Hudson, Elizabeth Link, and Sennia Wilson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Cat Hanna, Lil Caudle, Demetris Reid, Sennia Wilson, Susan Powell, Kate Dorn, Mick Goode, Paul & Shirley Hudson

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Fran Williams, Sennia Wilson, John Woodson, Cat Hanna, and Catherine Schumpert

BIBLE SCHOOL HELPER: Susan Powell

AMERICORPS MEMBERS: Demetris Reid and Karen Boyd

ALUMNI REUNION VOLUNTEERS: Mac and Dot Arnold, Fran Williams, Sennia Wilson, Shirley Hudson, Cat Hanna, Cat Schumpert, Lil Caudle, Elizabeth Link, Sara White, and Susan Powell

FOLK MUSIC PRESENTER: Bob Linsenmayer

BASKET CLASS: Susan Powell and John Scherer

SUMMER STUDENT INTERNS: Lauran Harvey (Coker College, Hartsville, SC), Chantay Reese (Piedmont TEC, Greenwood, SC)

Welcome, New Friends!

We were happy to have Eileen Hofstatter of Abbeville visit us on Tuesday, July 7. Eileen has a lot of experience with equestrian programs and is very interested in helping us with animal assisted therapy at de la Howe. Two new volunteers, Bob and Betty Roe of Savannah Lakes Village, will be joining us as we kick off our new school year. Bob and Betty visited us as we ended our last school year; we look forward to their returning to share with us from their educational backgrounds at our campus school. We welcome Eileen, Bob, and Betty, and look forward to working with you!

And Special Thanks

To ... Mick Goode who called to let us know she could not work at The Barn on July 25 ... Shirley Hudson who spent countless hours entering our Barn inventory data in her computer to present our final inventory to us at our July 14 Board meeting, and to she and Paul for coming to Barn on July 2 to finish up inventory details ... Rufus Sawyer who inspected Barn and milk room on July 18 prior to State Fire Marshall's inspection ... Charles Holden for his offer to help us with product quality control as we begin the new school year ... Cat Hanna for sharing a neat new product idea – "Straight From the Horse's Mouth"! ... Paul and Shirley who gathered up products for sale table at July 11 Alumni Reunion ... Susan Powell who placed Alumni Reunion sale products back into Barn inventory on July 18 ... all volunteers who helped at Alumni Reunion ... Paul Hudson who cut wood blocks for Summer Production Program's "Gifts of Love" ... John Scherer for getting back in touch with us when he returned from New York to check on summer volunteer opportunities and for coming to help on July 22 & offering to also come on July 29 ... Susan Powell and Sennia Wilson for offering to work at The Barn for the French Huguenot Reunion on Sunday, Aug. 2 ... Paul and Shirley who offered to work at Barn on vacant Saturday afternoon spot on July 18 and also for

working extra time the afternoon of July 25 ... Bob Linsenmayer who presented two fun Folk Music Sessions for students on July 13 and 21 ... Barbara LeRoy who donated many pieces of ceramics that are ready to be finished to her company group, and to Barbara and Polly Holloway who came on July 21 and spent time preparing ceramics room for first company session on August 18 ... Kate Dorn, Mick Goode, Sennia Wilson, and Susan Powell for meeting on July 21 to help critique our Dairy Festival and make BarnYard Party plans ... Susan Powell and John Scherer who helped with basket weaving classes ... Rufus Sawyer who is working on scheduling a fall fishing event for de la Howe students ... and our **BIGGEST THANKS OF ALL GOES TO ALL OUR HOWE-TO INDUSTRIES VOLUNTEERS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR US!** We missed all who could not be with us in July!!!

Special Thoughts. Elizabeth Link is doing well following outpatient eye surgery. Bev LeMar's husband had recent surgery. We were very saddened to learn of the death of Joe Jordan on July 10. At age 95, Joe blessed The Exchange Co. with his presence during their nursing home visits, attended our Dairy Festival and Easter Egg Hunt over the past year. Sue Trainor of de la Howe's Activity Therapy staff had this to say about Joe: "He gave himself, his friendship, and his love ... Joe will be missed. He will live in our hearts always." We couldn't agree more. We also express our loving sympathy to Bobby Burleson whose father died on July 27. Our prayers are with all.

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for Camille and Bill Steenson on the birth of their new granddaughter and to Sennia Wilson on the birth of her new great-grandson! We also congratulate Karen Boyd, our AmeriCorps member, who graduated with honors from Piedmont Technical College on July 30!

NEW BOARD CHAIR!!!

John Woodson, who has been a Howe-To Industries Volunteer since we began in 1993, has been elected our new Howe-To Industries Board of Directors Chairman for the 1998-99 year. He began his duties by chairing our July Board meeting. We thank John for his willingness to share his leadership skills and wisdom with us! Our sincere appreciation is also expressed to Sennia Wilson who has done an outstanding job as our HTI Board Chairperson from January 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. We continue to be so blessed with great leaders!!!