

SiLo Friends



Joining Hands With Senior Volunteers Of Howe-To Industries

October 1, 1999

A Growing Tree

While researching the Internet for information on trees for our Sept. 1 Celebration Ceremony for the publication of "The de la Howe Story As Told By Its Trees" by de la Howe students, staff, volunteers, and community friends, our Media Specialist, Elaine Buist, shared the following poem she found. It reminded me of the work you as volunteers do with our de la Howe children, and it also reminds me of feelings our children might have along the way, so I thought you might like it.

A Growing Tree

By Colleen Cruikshank La Plata

*"I'm a seed now; as you know,
It will take me years to grow.
I do not grow at a fast pace;
I'd surely lose a "growing race".
I look at my elders anxiously,
And they look down (way down) at me.
Now it has been five years, you know,
And I have had some time to grow.
I don't have a lot of leaves,
But there are enough, and I am pleased.
Now I'm growing rapidly
And, you know, I'm proud of me.
It takes a lot of time to grow,
It isn't easy as you know.
Now it has been fifty years;
I've seen and heard a lot, my dears.
I'm very tall and happy, too,
Because I know my growing's through!"*

-- Linda Kidd, HTI Coordinator

Happy Birthday! Six of our

volunteers celebrate October birthdays. They are:
Vern Adams - October 11
John Woodson - October 12
Catherine Thomas - October 14
Molly Brenner - October 18
Norene Gale - October 22
Mick Goode - October 31



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU!

Committee News

Accounting Committee: The Accounting Committee met Sept. 7 to verify total Barn sales for the month of August (\$290.53). **Next Accounting Committee meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 5, 3 PM.**

Activities & Events Committee: The Activities & Events Committee met on Tues., Sept. 21, to finalize plans for this year's BarnYard Party. **Next A&E Comm. meeting is Tues., Oct. 19, at 3 PM.**

Product Involvement/Inventory Control Committees: The Product Involvement Committee met on Sept. 14 and 28 to hear proposals of products from companies for the new school year. We're continuing to make progress with making products! The Classy Ladies Company has made muscadine jelly, Halloween ceramics and foam photo frames. PaSCO Company is working on Christmas tree ornaments, painted gourd birdhouses, and trash cans. C'N N Co. has made "kitchen bunnies" and stained glass candle holders, and they're now working on sun catchers. The Coin Club has turned in more collectors' stamps that are nicely displayed in books. The Inventory Control Committee met Sept. 9 and 23 to receive some of our new products. Everyone is encouraged to keep up the good work! **Next Product Involvement Committee meetings: Tues., Oct. 5 & 19, 1:30 PM** in the Media Center of the school. **Next Inventory Control Committee meetings: Thurs., Oct. 14 and 28, at 2 PM** in the Media Center of the school.

Staffing/Transportation Committee: The Staffing/Transportation Committee did not meet as regularly scheduled in Sept. Hours were tabulated by a student helper instead. The total **August volunteer hours** came to **247 hours!** **Next S/T Committee meeting: Sat., Oct. 9, at 10 AM.**

Training & Evaluation Committee: The Training & Evaluation Committee met on Thurs., Sept. 23, to finalize recognition needs for our BarnYard Party. **Next Training & Evaluation Committee meeting is Thurs., Oct. 21, at 2 PM.**

Executive Committee: The Executive Committee met briefly on Sept. 14 prior to Board of Directors meeting. **Next Ex.Comm. mtg.: Oct. 12, 2:30 PM.**

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

COMPANY ASSOCIATES: Helen Jenkins, Susan Powell, John Scherer, Jean Sohl, Shirley Hudson, and Audrey Earnest

MARKET OPERATORS: Eileen Coleman, Norene Gale, Laurie Gale, Bill & Barbara Edmondson, Sennia Wilson, Susan Powell, Elsie Scherer, Mick Goode, Sennia Wilson, Ingrid Yoder, Paul and Shirley Hudson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Cat Hanna, Lil Caudle, Kate Dorn, Mary Eddie Lindley, Paul & Shirley Hudson, and Susan Powell

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Kate Dorn, Susan Powell, and Kathleen Price

CHAPEL HELPER: Susan Powell

ANIMAL ASSISTED THERAPY: Eileen Hofstatter and Paul Leroy

CLASSROOM TUTOR: Jean Sohl

GREENHOUSE HELPER: Jean Sohl

LIVING LIBRARY LECTURERS: Bob Linsenmayer and Adalbert Galicz

AMERICORPS MEMBER: Karen Boyd

STUDENT INTERNS: Claudia Cason

(Clemson) and Bonnie Hasting (Lander)

And Special Thanks To ...

Paul and Shirley Hudson who put display rack together for us at The Barn and helped students rearrange shelves ... Kathleen Price, Margaret Brice, John Hoffmann, and Susan Powell who attended our Tree History Book Celebration on Sept. 1 ... Eileen Coleman who worked The Barn alone Sept. 4 ... Barbara Edmondson who called to let us know they could not work on Sept. 11 ... Shirley Hudson who produced updated consignment inventory pages for all consignment files (the Accounting Committee is especially appreciative!) ... Norene and Laurie Gale and Ingrid Yoder who helped do mark downs and straightened out consignment inventory at The Barn Sept. 4 ... Eileen Hofstatter for her informative time sheets ... Sennia Wilson who called to let us know she couldn't come for Sept. 7 committee meeting ... Norene Gale who called to let us know she could not make Sept. 11 Barn time ... Cat Hanna who called to let us know she could not attend Sept. Board meeting (she's moved into town! - welcome to "the city", Cat!) ... Paul Hudson and Sennia Wilson who worked at The Barn with students on Sept. 11 ... Helen Jenkins who donated yarn for our SLV Newcomers' Bags! ... Elsie Scherer who worked at The Barn Sept. 18 even though she was experiencing some leg problems ... Susan Powell who supervised students Sept. 18 to clean up Barn for BarnYard Party ... Jean Sohl who called to set up a meeting Sept. 10 to discuss doing some new volunteer jobs with us (tutoring in the school and working in the greenhouse) - welcome back, Jean! ... Jean offered to work in the greenhouse on Sat., Oct. 9, when our students participate in Belk Charity Shopping Day ... Bob Linsenmayer for sharing folk music with our Wilderness students ... Susan Powell, Gloria Sams, Kate Dorn, Lesley Harrison, and Mary Eddie Lindley for all their special help at the BarnYard Party on Sept. 30 ... all volunteers and senior friends who

joined us for our BarnYard Party! ... AND THE BIGGEST THANKS OF ALL GOES TO ALL OF OUR HOWE-TO INDUSTRIES VOLUNTEERS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR US! Please know we missed those who could not be with us in September!

Welcome New Friends!

We are happy to welcome Jen and Wayne Christman who are joining our Saturday Barn volunteers in October. Ron, Norene, and Laurie Gale began helping us out in The Barn this month. It's great to have SLV neighbors like this to help us out - thank you! Adalbert Galicz shared with us for the first time as a Living Library Lecturer in September. We were also glad to hear from Bernie Hamby that he would like to become a HTI volunteer. Thank you all, and Welcome!

Special Thoughts

Margaret Brice is doing very well since her August eye surgery. We are glad to hear Sara White and Rich Dombrowski are doing well since their hospitalizations in September. Barbara LeRoy and Lil Caudle have been having some health problems. We're glad to hear Jean Sohl is doing fine since her hospitalization this past summer. We're also glad that Elsie Scherer is feeling better. Mary Eddie Lindley's husband Sam continues to recuperate from a recent accident. Sennia Wilson's great-granddaughter is scheduled for upcoming surgery. Our well wishes are with you all!

Sympathy

We were sorry to learn of the death of Elizabeth Burrell's mother, Annie Brock, on Sept. 23. Our sympathy, love, and prayers are with Elizabeth and her family.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our HTI volunteers who have been added to our 100-Hour plaque: Eileen Coleman, Eileen Hofstatter, Polly Holloway, and John Scherer; to our 500-Hour plaque: Kathleen Price; and to our 1,000-Hour plaque: Helen Jenkins and Rufus Sawyer (who reached 1,000 hours in December, 1998). Rufus' plaque was presented to Joanne, his wife. Thanks to all!

Leadership Blessings!

Howe-To Industries continues to be blessed with good leadership. Our appreciation is expressed to John Woodson for his gifts of leadership as our 1998-99 HTI Board Chair. We are also very grateful to Kate Dorn who has accepted a "second tour of duty" as our 1999-2000 HTI Board Chair. Thank you both for sharing your time and leadership abilities!