



# Human Service Agency Consortium



December 2010

## HSAC General Meeting

December 2, 2010—11:45am

Central Christian Church- Disciples Room

650 W. William

### FEATURING:

**Shelith Hansbro, new Warden of the Decatur Women's Correctional Facility**

**Along with a panel of her employees**

**Kim Smith – Assistant Warden-Programs**

**Dawn Golden – Assistant Warden-Operations**

**Susan Creek – Infant Development Administrator**

**Steve Spaide – Volunteer Coordinator**

*Please come and welcome them and hear about the many programs at the facility including the Infant Development Program!*

Reservations for lunch have closed, but you are still welcome to join us for the speakers.  
If you have questions, please contact Macy Barnett at 422-8537 or [mbarnett@uwdeatur.org](mailto:mbarnett@uwdeatur.org)

*Agencies Interlinked and Working Together*

# Agency News n' Notes

## United Way Campaign Progress Report:

64.6% of Goal

Please help us get to 100%, visit [www.uwdecatur.org](http://www.uwdecatur.org) to give online!



United Way of Decatur  
& Mid-Illinois

## Macon County Transit Partnership Group Meeting

December 6, 2010

3:00 to 4:30 PM

Soyland Access to Independent Living (SAIL)

2449 Federal Drive, Decatur, IL

Directions? Emily Dobson, 876-8888, [erdobson@hotmail.com](mailto:erdobson@hotmail.com)

The Macon County Transit Partnership Group will meet for a progress report from the Public Education and Outreach group and the Systems Design group. Both groups have been meeting and working on details that will bring our rural public transportation project to reality. We will also take some time to discuss our next steps and to brainstorm how we can reach groups, service clubs and others in the rural area with information about what rural public transit is and how it can improve the life of each community. **Please share meeting information with any contacts you have in the rural areas.** We welcome attendance from the public. December 6, 3:00 to 4:30 PM, Soyland Access to Independent Living (SAIL), 2449 Federal Drive, Decatur, IL. Please mark your calendar and do your best to attend or, if you are unable to come, send a proxy from your agency or group. As always, thanks for your interest in helping the people of rural Macon County get public transportation.

## Hello HSAC, Do you know about GOODSEARCH.COM?

As you know, I'm a supporter of Growing Strong Sexual Assault Center and I want to share with you a simple way for you to help support this organization or any other cause that you care about.

Just download the GoodSearch – Growing Strong Sexual Assault Center toolbar at <http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/growing-strong-sexual-assault-center>

Each time you search the web with GoodSearch's Yahoo-powered search engine, about a penny will go your charity or school.

Please tell 10 friends about the GoodSearch toolbar today. They've been featured in the NY Times, the Wall Street Journal, CNN, Oprah Magazine, Good Morning America and more.

Thanks!

Lynne Maisel

# What's Happening at DOVE ?



## Cantata Preview Concert

Sunday, December 5, 2010

Clinton Presbyterian Church, 402 N. Center, Clinton

6:30 p.m. Organ Prelude

7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Concert

Participating Churches include: First Church of The Nazarene, Clinton Presbyterian Church, Clinton United Methodist Church and St. John's Catholic Church

Kevin Long of the Clinton Presbyterian Church is coordinating this event.

There will be an offering collected to benefit the DeWitt County Domestic Violence Program.

## Neighborhood Groups Meetings and Events

- GM Square Neighborhood will be having their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 7, 6:00 p.m., St. Thomas Community Center, 2160 North Edward St., Decatur.
- Neighborhood United Association Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 14, at the Lexington Apartments on Van Dyke Street.
- Galloway Neighborhood Organization will be celebrating Christmas in their neighborhood with a Potluck Dinner, on Sunday, December 12, from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m. at 2281 E. William Street.
- Nelson Park Neighborhood (NPANW) will be celebrating with a Christmas Party, Tuesday, December 14, at 6:30 p.m. at Prairie Avenue Christian Church.

## National Homeless Person's Memorial Walk

Thursday, December 16, 4:30 p.m.

The Homeless Person Memorial Walk will take place in downtown Decatur on December 16.

Please gather at the Oasis Day Center, 243 W. Cerro Gordo, to make the walk in remembrance of the homeless or formerly homeless persons who have lost their lives in the past year.

For additional information  
contact Nancy Rude, 422.3940  
or Barb Blakey at Dove, 428.6616.

# Volunteer Opportunities

**Did you know..... Macon County ranks as the 4th most obese county in Illinois?**

## Walk the Talk

Is an obesity prevention program sponsored by the American Cancer Society, the Macon County Community Health Foundation and the Macon County Health Dept. Volunteers walk 30-45 minutes with 4 year olds at local day care centers. The exercise and conversation are of great benefit to all involved.

*I know it has changed my outlook on life....*

*Holding that tiny hand and watching squirrels play tag in a tree or  
witnessing the joy of marching through fall leaves has brought  
youth back to my soul and a spring to my step!*

Tuesday	9:00 AM	Decatur Day Care Center, Inc	2075 E Lake Shore Dr (east of St Mary's Hospital)
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Head Start	275 E Condit (Near Wabash Crossing & Hope School)
	1:30 PM	Head Start	
Thursday	9:00 AM	Wee Folk	1170 E Orchard (Jasper St, near Health Dept & Hope School)

## Walk a Hound, Lose a Pound

at the Animal Control and Care Center,  
2820 E Parkway Dr , south of Caterpillar.

M-F, 12-4, Sat 12-2 volunteers exercise dogs so that they will be socialized and, hopefully, more adoptable.

Studies show that time spent with animals lowers blood pressure, strengthens bones and lengthens life.

For more information:

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217-433-0834  
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# Real Dads Rock

Hey Dads ever wonder about how to:

- Quiet a crying baby
- Raise healthy children
- Have fun with your baby

And other questions moms just seem to know? Learn what every dad always wanted to know about his baby.

Babies don't come with instructions  
but here is an opportunity to get some tips.

Thursday December 3 6:00-8:30

Decatur Memorial Hospital

Classroom C 2300 N. Edward St.

Thursday February 10 6:00-8:30

Decatur Memorial Hospital

Classroom C 2300 N. Edward St.

*Class is limited ..registration is required.  
To register & for information : 422-6294.*



**Macon County Safe from the Start &  
New Life Pregnancy Center  
PRESENTS**

# **NURTURING FATHERS**

**Tuesday January 11, 2011 for six weeks.  
(January 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, & February 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>)**

**6:30-8:00 p.m.  
New Life Pregnancy Center  
1698 E. Pershing Rd.**



**This six weeks series is designed to assist fathers only.**

**The class will cover:**

- **What kind of parent are you?**
- **Teaching Respect & Responsibility to Our Children**
  - **Active Fathers!**
  - **Discipline & Change**
  - **Plus More**

**For More Information Contact New Life Pregnancy Center  
872-5556**



# Agency Events



## ARE YOU IN?

GoodWorksconnect.org is an online community space and virtual resource center created to help non-profit leaders, staff and board members connect with new and old colleagues, share information, and learn from each other.



If you are not a member yet, log on to [www.goodworksconnect.org](http://www.goodworksconnect.org) for your FREE membership to this valuable resource today!

### Celebrate the holidays with the goodWORKSconnect community!

To give thanks for all the hard work goodWORKSconnect members do throughout the region, all are invited to spend some quality, informal networking time with your nonprofit colleagues and friends.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2  
BIZOU RESTAURANT, DECATUR  
3-5PM**

**RSVP at [www.goodworksconnect.org](http://www.goodworksconnect.org) or**

**Email [Annie.Hernandez@Consolidated.com](mailto:Annie.Hernandez@Consolidated.com)**



**United Way Board of Directors will Host Celebrity Bartending Night**

**On December 17, 2010 at 5pm—? At the Decatur Club.**

**Please Come Out and Show your Support of our Celebrity Bartenders  
and our Organization!**

# Division News n' Notes

There will be no December Volunteer Division business meeting. The group will be enjoying a "Before Christmas Mingling Fun Lunch" held in Dove's conference room at 302 S. Union St. and furnished by our Volunteer Division resident culinary expert, Jackie Baughman. Members that have not been able to attend in the past few months due to scheduling changes were invited to come and enjoy the camaraderie. There will be brief agency updates.

*Have a Happy and Safe Holiday  
Season Everyone!*



*Harness the power created  
when we work together  
to collaborate on  
human service  
issues.*

## Newsletter Submissions Needed

Every month, I will send out a mass email requesting HSAC newsletter information. If your agency has any news, updates, corrections etc., simply email me with a write-up as *you want it to appear*, or attach a WORD document. Since I receive many emails, please specify in the subject line (for example) "HSAC October Newsletter." Keep in mind "news" must be time sensitive as the newsletter will usually go out the Thursday prior to the next HSAC meeting, and due to space limitations, it may be necessary to edit.. If you have any questions call United Way at 422-8537.