



Youth Volunteering News January 2010




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Hello all! Claire here from the Youth Volunteering Team at YG, Happy New Year to all our volunteers and future volunteers!

We are really keen to keep everyone involved in volunteering across Gloucestershire and we've got loads of fantastic opportunities for 2010 (so much more than we can fit in to one newsletter!) - So if you're aged between 16 & 25 yrs, contact us to find out more, we'd love you to be involved and are happy to answer any questions!

A BIG THANK-YOU

To all those volunteers who made our celebration event the huge success it was! (Check out the pictures above!) A special mention to our **YOUTH ACTION TEAM!** Thanks for all your hard work both before during and after the event!

A BIG THANKS TO.....

All the volunteers who helped out at various card selling and fundraising days over Christmas, the Christmas Lights Switch On's and the Elderly Christmas Parties at Fullers Court and the Walls Club



MAKE VOLUNTEERING YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION!

Want to get involved in volunteering but can't make a long term commitment? Why not join us for one day opportunities throughout the year. Remember these are a great way to build up volunteering hours to count towards your v50 certificate!



British Heart Foundation charity collections taster days!

Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st Jan - Tesco's in CIRENCESTER

Friday 29th and Saturday 30th Jan - Tesco's in QUEDGELEY

Monday 8th Feb - Morrisons in TEWKESBURY

Saturday 13th Feb - Tesco's in Central CHELTENHAM and BISHOPS CLEEVE

Friday 19th and Saturday 20th Feb - CHELTENHAM REGENT ARCADE

Thursday 25th Feb - Tesco's in GLOUCESTER

The British Heart Foundation are a fantastic charity and need some enthusiastic volunteers to help with their collections at various sites. Volunteers are needed in only a couple of hour shifts so you've got no excuse!



BREAKING NEWS! **FEBRUARY HALF TERM FUN!**

Following the huge success of our half term volunteering activity week in October 2009, we've decided to run some fantastic volunteering projects throughout the February half term too! So between Feb 15th - 19th we will be hosting a variety of new, fun and original volunteering opportunities so keep your eyes peeled and stay in touch!

Cheltenham Folk Festival **12th - 14th February - Cheltenham** **Town Centre**



Event stewards and Marshall's needed! Would you like to play a valuable part of the Cheltenham Folk Festival? Cheltenham Borough Council needs several enthusiastic and reliable volunteers to help with a variety of tasks throughout the weekend

Including: Stewarding, Site building, Event organizing and promoting (experience preferred), Being part of the backstage team, Runners, etc!

A great opportunity for volunteers to get involved and whilst no experience is needed, those with stewarding experience would be brilliant. If not, this is your chance to gain some experience, If you would like to play your part in this event please get in touch!



Chinese New Year Volunteers! **Saturday 27th February** **1pm onwards** **Cheltenham Ladies College**

Come and help celebrate the year of the Tiger!

The Chinese Community Group and are celebrating the Chinese New Year in style this February. They need volunteers to help out on the day during

our celebrations. Roles will be varied including manning the door, decorating the venue, showing people in, serving drinks and food, and generally making people feel welcome.

A brilliant opportunity to meet other volunteers in your area, help out within the community, and take part in a really enjoyable event.

Could you be a Telebuddy? – **Helping with the analogue/digital** **switchover in the Forest.** **Jan- April 2010**

Forest Voluntary Action Forum are looking for volunteers to help older, disabled or isolated people with the Digital Switchover. We need to find out who in each community might need more help, reassurance or just know that everything will be alright when the switchover occurs. Telebuddies can do just that.



National Trust Eco Team Taster Days! **Tuesday 19th Jan, Friday 29th Jan,** **Tuesday 16th Feb (HALF TERM!) and** **Tuesday 2nd March**

Come and be an Eco Team volunteer! Volunteers required to help with scrub clearance, dead hedging, coppicing etc. So roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty! Between 10am and 3.30pm. We will provide transport to the site from Young Gloucestershire.



Do you live in the Forest and **volunteer already? – bank your** **hours through FAIRSHARES and** **use them to get rewards!**

For more info contact Dan at the volunteering team.



Cancer Research – Some great opportunities coming up over the next few months! Including: Event Assistants, Fundraising, Mail Drops, Marshalling at Race for Life and Run 10k events, assisting at launch events and much more- get in touch with us if you're interested!

STOP PRESS **Opportunities**

Schools **Representatives!**

We need v team reps at your school or college. You can help promote our events to your friends and spread the word about us. We'll give you all necessary training and a few socials too. Looks brilliant on a CV! Get in touch if you're interested.

Do you have an idea **that may benefit those** **around you?**

Talk to us! Our Youth Action Team can approve up to £500 to run your own project. All ideas will be considered as long as you can prove there's a benefit to the community and it's led by young people. Contact us now for more info! **Your idea. Your time. Our cash.**

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