

PEOPLE PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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Forever Grateful....

Passing on the good news of People Program from one friend to another, led to the participation of one of this program's most revered members. Delores Heglar became engaged in chair caning in 2002, and then began to assist in fundraising activities ultimately resulting in her acceptance of the Campus Director job at Holy Spirit on the West Bank.

In 2004, the newly formed campus had but 70 members. It has soared to 250, a true testament to the awesome impact of Delores' leadership skills. But perhaps more inspiring is this unique community's spirit of love, kindness, and enthusiasm. Looking back over her 9 years of service, Delores cherishes the incredible "open arms" welcome extended to members who lost the Mirabeau campus. The West Bank became the hub and kept the flame of our mission burning brightly. Delores is delighted with the quality of classes that so well meets the needs of retirees.

"We can't lose sight of the ministerial aspects of People Program," She said. "We offer compassion, companionship, a caring environment, and lots of fun!"

As Delores prepares to say farewell, we wish her peace, love, and joy. People Program has been enriched by the heart of Delores Heglar. And we are all the better for it.



Great Holiday Gift Idea!

Does your family have difficulty selecting gifts for you during the holidays? Why not suggest a People Program membership which you can enjoy from January to May? Please check at the desk.

"What we see when watching others depends on the window through which we look."



As we embrace the spirit of the approaching holidays, we are reminded of the message that the angels proclaimed to the shepherds: "Peace on earth, goodwill to men (and women)." To will good is truly the essence of peace on this planet. People Program exemplifies this gentle spirit of goodwill. It is evident in the halls, in classes and in cheerful conversation that always fills the passing hours. The spirit of Christmas prevails all year in this unique community called People Program. May your holidays be filled with joy and laughter.

People Program Staff



Congratulations to Beth Johnson's class for compiling a "Short, Short Story" anthology, to Cecilia Dartez's class for compiling "Memoirs: Writing Our Life Stories" AND to Pat Ward's class for compiling "Poets at the Lakefront: Anthology II". Look for copies on each campus for your reading pleasure.



**Happy
Hannukah**

VOLUNTEER TEACHER CELEBRATION: Please mark your calendars now for Friday, January 27, 2012. We will gather again at the Rose Garden to celebrate your generosity. Sign up will take place after the holidays.

Coming Attraction...
Mark your calendars NOW for our "All Jazzed Up" Gala at English Turn on Sunday, March 25.....get ready for food, fun and frolic!



Holiday Green Tips
Wrap children's gifts in newspaper comics or colorful magazine pages. If you want a real Christmas tree, consider buying a potted one that can be transplanted after the season. Luxurious bath products can be smuggled into baskets that can be reused by the lucky recipient. Happy Green Christmas!

CAMPUS NEWS:

Metairie: Diane Schleifstein, Metairie Mah Jong teacher, is taking orders for 2012 Mah Jong cards. The National Mah Jong League contributed \$82 to People Program from the sale of the 2011 cards. \$7 for regular cards; \$8 for large size.

Checks/cash can be accepted on campus or mailed to Diane: 6508 Hastings St., Metairie, La. 70003 by **January 31.**

December 6: Ramsey's Jeweler's will hold a "gold purchase" event from 11:30-1:30. This is a good way to turn your unwanted jewelry into cash for the holidays. Ramsey's makes a contribution to People Program's gala auction each year, for which we are grateful.

WESTBANK: Casey Stuart's popular presentations will feature
Dec. 7: Gentilly Ridge

Thank You...

Genevieve Jones wants to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes as she continues to heal from her recent illness

The True Christmas Spirit:
Beulah McCoy's jewelry class recently made earrings and necklaces that were donated to The American Cancer Society for raffles at West Jefferson Hospital. May your generosity return to you in many ways.



Please Pray For:

Melva Keller
Carol Helwick
Glenn Moore
(Son of Mary Bosch)
Mary Pearson
(Daughter of Charlotte Knipmeyer)
John Knipmeyer
Gerry Blanke
Susie Butler
Mildred DeRouen

Marlene Leon (mother of Lorna Elies)
Mary Kay Barbay
Genevieve Jones
Dr. James Seese
Floyd Broussard, Jr. (Brother of Margaret Hebert)
Dianne Morales
Alice Sarrazin
Nguy Thi Vu
Barbara Carter
Kathleen Wichlacz (Jane Dassey's mom)



Laugh Along....

On Christmas Eve, Nathan thought it would be nice to buy his wife a gift for the next day. Always short of money, he thought long and hard about what to get. Unable to decide, Nathan entered Macy's, and in the cosmetics section he asked the girl, "How about some perfume?" She showed him a bottle costing \$150. "Too expensive," muttered Nathan. The young lady returned with a smaller bottle for \$75. "Oh dear," Nathan grouched, "still far too much." Growing rather annoyed at Nathan's meanness, the sales girl brought out a tiny \$25 bottle and offered it to him. Nathan became really agitated, "What I mean," he whined, "is I'd like to see something cheap." So the sales girl handed him a mirror.