



Letters

The following are excerpts from letters we've received since our last issue of *This Time*:

Dear Lucy,

Thank you for hiring me from Able at 24 hours a week.

Thank you for giving me affordable housing. Thank you for giving me 40 hours a week on top of it.

And Thank you for giving me this opportunity for giving back.

You have been giving for 40 years and here is \$10 for each year.

Bless you

Jim and Eunice



Jim Mc Morrison

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"A bird does not sing because it has no answer. It sings because it has a song."

Enclosed gift to support your much needed work-

Many blessings with continued love and prayers.

Nancy B. Slavinsky

Please send letters to:

This Time
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Jackie,

Last week, I ventured to H.O.M.E. for the first time with a group of students from Saint Anselm College. We were touched by your generosity, challenged by the physical needs of the work and inspired by your stories. In short: we had an amazing week. Several students from the group would like to come back this summer to volunteer. Any information you could offer about how to facilitate this potential work trip would be greatly appreciated!

Thanks for all your help and thank you for opening your community for us. None of us will forget that week!

Samantha Bagley

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Dear Jackie and the H.O.M.E. Community,

Thank you so much for your unconditional hospitality and generosity in March. It was an extreme pleasure meeting you and the rest of H.O.M.E. staff and residents. We had a fantastic time logging, building, cutting shingles, helping at the thrift store, working at the daycare, and cleaning out the library and learning room. We also greatly appreciate the opportunity of hosting the community dinner where we got a chance to interact with the Maine locals and learn about the current issues facing the rural New England community. The warm welcome we received was priceless. We will take away many valuable lessons from this experience. The success of our trip could not have been achieved without you and the members of H.O.M.E.!!!

- Boston University Spring Break

"Serve First Those Who Suffer Most"

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Dear H.O.M.E.,

Thank you and your staff on behalf on the Internal Revenue Service and the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program for supporting this volunteer program at the H.O.M.E. Learning Center.

This year, 101 families were assisted with their federal and state tax returns at the H.O.M.E. Learning Center during 14 sessions, held Wednesdays and Thursdays in February and Wednesdays in March and April. 35% of the families or individuals served are categorized as below the poverty level, according to federal income guidelines.

Sincerely,

Patricia D Snyder
AARP tax-Aide

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"Our lives begin to end
the day we become silent about things
that matter."
--**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

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"Serve First Those Who Suffer Most"

As For ourselves, we must be meek, bear injustice, malice and rash judgment. We must turn the other cheek, give up our cloak, go a second mile. - Dorothy Day

Dear Friends,

The bridge that crosses Whisky Spring divides our pasture, one side a clearing, one side woods. On the wooded side live the wild turkeys, 26 of them who come to eat what our goats and horses have left. The coyotes also live there and danger comes with them for any of our animals. We lost the Prince of Goats -Zeus; regal and humble with his herd and polite with his farmers. He was across the bridge and the coyotes were too much. We await a new generation of his kid goats to be born this June.

Forty years have passed since H.O.M.E. opened its doors to the sale of crafts to improve income. Education followed, Craft Shops, Pottery, Weaving, Woodworking, Stitchery, Stained Glass and Leather, shelters and houses, Sawmill, Shingle Mill, Soup Kitchen, Food Bank, Auto Repair, Flea Markets, Christmas Wreaths and collectibles for sale. We try to earn as much of our needed money as possible. Our earned income, we call it here at H.O.M.E.

Whether prince or pauper, minister or homeless, we get up and we work together in the morning.

Working together with you, our supporters over forty years some miracles have happened for human beings who have been left out of our society, our state, and our families. We ask you please to continue your support as our tasks grow larger and our resources smaller.

God Bless You,
Your Sister

Lucy Poulin

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Lucy and Shirley Brown