

VOLUNTEERS

One of the great traditions in Park Ridge is the volunteer spirit which has been a mainstay throughout the life of this community.

It's a key to the Taste of Park Ridge's success.

Committee members donate hundreds and hundreds of hours every year in making plans and arrangements to bring back this popular food festival each summer. Members of local service organizations also donate time during the Taste to help run special activities or keep operations running smoothly.

Schools or organizations who have teens looking to earn service learning or community service hours are encouraged to contact the committee as soon as possible to make advance arrangements to qualify.

"This is a wonderful time to volunteer and help the community out," says Albert Galus, who returns this year as chairman of the Taste 2010 committee.

Help is especially needed this year in two major areas, at ticket booths, and as part of "The Green Team," which helps with hospitality and on the cleanup crew.

Organizations or individuals who are interested in more information about volunteer opportunities are asked to visit the Taste of Park Ridge website and click on the volunteer tab for specific instructions on how to volunteer.