

The Ourplace



Volunteer

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Semi Lucid Dreams

If she'd had the chance to see how it would be,
She'd have picked a different path,
Instead of wishing for the past.
As ice runs through her veins,
Her screams loud untamed,
The voices around her cry,
She won't get another try.
The streets are wet and cold,
She huddles up in a door-front,
Just until daybreak,
When she'll get moved on.
If she could have seen what would happen,
She'd have asked for help,
Not fought the world until they pushed her out,
Now as rain hits her bowed head, she wishes she
were dead.
She holds her head high,
Catches her breath,
Is this the life she'd planned,
Holding onto semi lucid dreams.
She walks along the lonely streets,
Was this inevitable, she wonders, she thinks,
All she ever wanted was love,
Now she's forced to live with only semi lucid
dreams, Of everything she thought she could be.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK
APRIL 19 TO 25, 2009

Volunteer Absences

If you know that you are going to be away in advance (for example, for a vacation), please contact Antoinette directly. If you are providing 24 hours' notice, please contact reception at (250) 388-7112 and ask them to let Antoinette and the manager in your program area know of your absence. We would respectfully request that volunteers not take heroic measures to come in to volunteer if they are not feeling well. Thank you for your support.

Personal Belongings

Volunteers are reminded (and strongly encouraged) not to bring personal belongings and valuables with them when they come in for their volunteer shifts. Unfortunately, thefts do occur every now and then, and we are unable to guarantee that your personal items and valuables will be safe here. If you do need to safely secure any belongings, please visit the clothing room, where lockers are provided to volunteers.

Donations

We are always in need of new or lightly used basic adult clothing: SOCKS, underwear, more socks, fleece or heavyweight tops and jeans, socks again, seasonal jackets. Musical instruments and **art supplies**, boardgames, alarm clocks, toiletries, sleeping bags, blankets and coffee mugs. Our library is in need of good **paperback fiction**. Please contact reception by phone at (250) 388-7112, extension 221 or by e-mail at admin@ourplacesociety.com for any questions regarding donations.

Ask Vickie

What is National Volunteer Week?



National Volunteer Week is a special time set aside in April to honour the people who donate their time and energy. The week also raises awareness of the vital contributions volunteers make to our communities as well as identity the values of our country.

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**How to reach your
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