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## FIRST LADY PRAISES VOLUNTARISM

Dallas Public Library

"We should all be proud of the volunteer spirit and commitment that is characteristic of Texas and Texans," quotes first Lady Rita Clements. As a long time volunteer herself, Mrs. Clements knows that there are no limits to what volunteers can do. And because of this first hand knowledge, the First Lady plans to put special emphasis on volunteer programs.

Mrs. Clements, rich in experience as a volunteer, acknowledges the importance of volunteer work. "Volunteers fill the gaps that government cannot and should not fill," said Mrs. Clements. She also emphasizes that volunteer involvement is more important now than ever before because of budget cuts.

Volunteer involvement is characteristic of the First Lady. She is past president of the Junior League of Dallas as well as former

chairman of the board of the Special Care School. She has also served on the boards of the Hockaday School, the St. Michael's School, the Society for Crippled Children, Adventure Trails for Girls, Educational Opportunities, the Women's Council of Dallas County, and the Dallas County Heritage Society. Some of her current board memberships include the United Way of Texas, the United Way of Dallas, the Dallas Historical Society, St. Paul Medical Center Foundation, the White House Preservation Fund, and the Vestry of Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Clements will be participating in National Volunteer Week to help give recognition to Texas volunteers. The First Lady is also chairman for the upcoming Volunteer Conference in September.



Rita Clements

## Annual Volunteer Conference set for September

Mark Your Calendars!

The Eleventh Annual Texas Volunteer Conference will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, September 15-16, 1987, at the Austin Hyatt Regency, 208 Barton Springs Road. Everyone involved in Texas' outstanding volunteer movement is urged to attend this important event.

The chairman for the 1987 Conference will be Texas' First Lady

Rita Clements. The event will feature four sessions of workshops, with eight different topics to choose from per session. Highlighting the statewide meeting will be the presentation of the 1987 Annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service by Mrs. Clements.

Credit for Social Work Certifications through participation in this conference has been requested. En-

dorsement of this meeting by the Association for Volunteer Administration (AVA) has also been requested.

The registration fee for the conference will be \$55.00. Registration forms for the conference will be available after July 15. For more information, please contact the Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services.



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## MEET THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP/VOLUNTEER SERVICES STAFF

Director **Ann Wallace**, a mother and grandmother, comes to the Governor's Office armed with more than just years of experience. Ann has a variety of interests—from competitive sailing to award-winning gardening to politics—she seems to have boundless energy. Her many experiences as a volunteer to hospitals, children's museums, and political campaigns makes Ann more than qualified for the job of Director. She brings all this to our office along with endless enthusiasm and we are glad to have her.

**Jo Hill** serves as Deputy Director of the Community Leadership/Volunteer Services Office. A graduate of Texas Christian University, Jo received a bachelor's degree in Political Science with a minor in Spanish. Having served as a long-time volunteer at a children's hospital in Dallas and as a kindergarten teacher in Houston, Jo brings with her an abundance of knowledge on the advancement of children, an area of special interest to her. With all of her experience and affection for young people, it is no wonder she has three "children" of her own, a canary and two grey-cheeked parakeets.

**Dorris Sheppard**, Administrative Assistant to the Director, has been with the Community Leadership/Volunteer Services staff since 1974. The three new staff members have found her extensive knowledge of the office's operations invaluable to them. Before coming to the Governor's Office, Dorris was Office Manager for Kinsolving Dormitory at the University of Texas. She has been active in Austin civic work as a

member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Austin Garden Club, and the Texas Federation of Women's Club. In her spare time, Dorris enjoys calligraphy and oil painting. We are delighted to have several of her scenic paintings adorning our office walls.

**Rebecca Nelson**, Administrative Assistant to the Director, has come to the Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services after working on the 1987 Texas Inaugural Committee. A native to Austin, Rebecca earned a B.S. degree in Advertising at the University of Texas, where she also studied art history. Her experience in communications has proven to be a great asset to this office as she serves as Editor of our newsletter. When not at work, Rebecca enjoys doing volunteer work at an Austin hospital and is also an avid tennis player.

## VOLUNTARISM IN TEXAS

- \* In 1986, **3.5 million** Texans volunteered.
- \* These Texans volunteered **780 million** hours.
- \* The total value of time contributed was **\$3.6 billion**.
- \* These statistics made Volunteering the **10th** largest industry in Texas.

# RUNAWAY HOTLINE HELPS THOUSANDS OF YOUTHS

For nearly 15 years, the Runaway Hotline has been serving as a telephone contact and message relay system for runaways in Texas and throughout the nation. This program, which was initiated in September 1973 by Governor Dolph Briscoe, assists young runaways to find shelter, food, medical help and counseling. Volunteers answer the toll-free hotline 24-hours a day, seven days a week, making every effort to see that runaways are kept off the streets.

The Hotline continues to receive strong support and emphasis within the Clements administration. Recently the Governor expressed his admiration for the program saying, "Of deep concern to me and to this administration is the fate of two million young Americans who run away from their homes every year. We wish to thank the thousands of concerned citizens who have volunteered to make this worthwhile Hotline system operate."

Program Director Mimi Correa is enthusiastic about what's ahead for the Hotline as she and her staff prepare goals for the coming year. Correa, along with Volunteer Coordinator Jennifer Reid and Administrative Assistant Renee Robinson, will be concentrating their efforts in three areas: the recruiting and training of volunteers, the development of public awareness, and the updating of resource information disseminated by the volunteers.

According to the Hotline staff, the implementation of an ongoing monthly program has been the most important step taken so far regarding the recruiting and training of volunteers. "Through this new program, our recruits will have the benefit of being trained in a

smaller, more personal group because session will be occurring on a more frequent and regular basis," says Correa.

The statistics continue to show that the Hotline plays an important role in our society. Volunteers receive over 185 calls a day from children as young as nine years old, with the average age being fifteen. These dedicated volunteers have made a tremendous difference in the lives of many runaway children and their families.

The Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services administers the program with funding provided by a grant through the Criminal Justice Division.

If you would like more information about the hotline or you live in the Austin area and are interested in volunteering, please contact the Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services.

## HOTLINE TELEPHONE NUMBER CARDS

The Governor's Office of Community Leadership and Volunteer Services is pleased to announce the availability of business cards listing over 30 statewide toll-free hotline telephone numbers. These cards include numbers for services in a variety of areas including Crisis, Children, Health, Legal and Social Services. For free copies of these cards, please write the Community Leadership/Volunteer Services Office.

## RUNAWAY HOTLINE

In Texas

1-800-392-3352

Nationwide

1-800-231-6946

# TEXAS VOLUNTEER ACTION CENTERS

There are 23 Volunteer Action Centers in Texas. Each of these centers serves as a clearinghouse which matches the skills and abilities of volunteers with the needs of the community. We salute these centers for all of the exciting and challenging volunteer opportunities they offer Texans.

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## Governor Clements Selects Members of Women's Commission

Governor Bill Clements has announced that **Ann Quirk** of San Antonio will serve as chair of the Governor's Commission for Women.

"Ann has an excellent track record," Clements said. "She is well known and widely respected for her organizational skills and her ability to work with people."

Quirk served as executive director of the 1987 Texas Inaugural Committee, coordinating activities for the inauguration of Governor Clements and Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby. She has served as chair and president of the Texas Lyceum, and currently chairs the organization's Nominating Committee. Quirk was also a member of the Texas Sesquicentennial Commission for eight years and its chair in 1983.

The Women's Commission has many responsibilities, among them the duty of examining women's issues and submitting a report on its findings, activities and recommendations. The panel will also identify qualified women for consideration by the Governor for gubernatorial appointments.

Governor Clements, who continued the Commission in the first Executive Order of his second administration, has also appointed to the organization 28 other outstanding women from across the state. All 29 members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor for a two-year term. The first meeting of the group will take place in early May. Ann Wallace, Director of the Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services, will serve as executive director of the Commission.

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### Governor's Commission for Women 1987-89

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#### Ann Quirk, Chair San Antonio

<b>Penny Angelo</b> Midland	<b>Lisa Mercurio</b> El Paso
<b>Anne Ashy</b> Victoria	<b>Becky Olind</b> Dallas
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<b>Sally McKenzie</b> Dallas	<b>Leahray Wroten</b> Plano

# VOLUNTEERS AROUND THE STATE

## From El Paso...

The Volunteer Bureau of the United Way, directed by Cynthia Gongaware, and a local newspaper co-sponsor TIPS-Teens in Public Service, a program designed to increase the role of teenagers in the volunteer community. Through this program, teens receive recognition for their volunteer efforts in the newspaper and at an awards assembly at their school. What a great way to motivate young people to become active volunteers!

## From Longview and Tyler...

The Volunteer Centers of Longview and Tyler, under the direction of Mae Dufour and Susan Sweatman, along with the Junior Leagues of Longview and Tyler and the television station KLTV, have been working well together as co-sponsors of the Volunteer Connection, a media-based project to recruit volunteers. This program, which piloted in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area in 1984, has been operating in Longview and Tyler since October. This partnership with the media has provided the centers with publicity in the form of television public service announcements.

The Volunteer Center of Longview also sponsors a program called "We Care," which provides telephone reassurance for the elderly.

## From Dallas...

The Volunteer Connection has been a very successful project for the Volunteer Center. For three years, KXAS-TV/Channel 5 and other media sources have been working with the Volunteer Center to advertise volunteer services as well as specific volunteer jobs available at over 500 non-profit agencies.

According to Director Julie Thomas, the Center is also working with the Dallas County Probation Department to provide restitution opportunities for probationers. This positive program matches probationers who have been ordered to participate in community service by the courts with cooperative agencies where they may complete their required hours.

## From Austin...

Marge Tripp, Director of the Volunteer Center, reported on a great new program that helps disabled citizens resume an active role within the community. This program finds volunteer opportunities for disabled persons who have reached a level of recovery which permits them to leave their sheltered environment.

The Volunteer Center has also established a Retiree Roundtable in order to

recruit retirees into volunteering. Representatives from corporate and public retiree organizations meet regularly with the Volunteer Center to discuss means of reaching new volunteers. Using the resources of the Volunteer Center, the retiree organizations communicate the volunteer openings to their members and encourage their involvement.

## From Odessa...

Volunteer Center Director Arlene Loyd reports that a survey of non-profits in Odessa is currently being done by a marketing class at the University of Texas at Permian Basin. Be sure to let us know of the results... The major fundraising event for the center—the Annual Benefit Golf Tournament—was held on April 3 in Odessa.

## From the Coastal Bend...

A variety of businesses are receiving valuable guidance from the Volunteer Center directed by Gilna Nance. The center has been promoting voluntarism among employees as well as providing management consultation to non-profit staff and volunteers.

## From Tarrant County...

The Volunteer Center of Metropolitan Tarrant County, directed by Nancy Saenz, will be celebrating National Volunteer Week in grand style. For starters, there will be a proclamation of National Volunteer Week by over 25 of the county's 37 mayors. In addition, free certificates and volunteer logo pins will be available at a minimum cost to agencies for recognizing volunteers. Let's all join in the celebration of this important week!

## From McAllen...

According to Director Jenny Cummings, the Volunteer Center has been hosting all sorts of fun-filled activities within the community including a Sports-A-Thon held with the Hidalgo County Youth Village, a Celebrity Auction and a Picnic in the Park benefiting McAllen House, a home for delinquent youths.

## From Canyon Lake...

The Volunteer Action Center should be praised for providing comfort to so many through their programs for the aged, ill and handicapped. Volunteers provide transportation to medical appointments, make reassurance phone calls to check on elderly shut-ins and provide an adult sitter service. Director Isabelle Coons also reports the center has been promoting health awareness among citizens by offering free

blood pressure readings and a Community Education course on arthritis.

## From Plano...

The Volunteer Center has been spreading words of wisdom on Voluntarism through its Speakers Bureau. This bureau consists of representatives from the Volunteer Center who make presentations to community civic groups and organizations.

**This is just a brief look at the many wonderful programs run by the Volunteer Action Centers of Texas. The talented directors and volunteers at these centers have instituted these programs to respond to the unique needs of their community.**

**We will continue to feature VAC activities in future newsletters. We ask that you help keep us informed of new programs and developments in the area of voluntarism taking place in your community.**

## *Texans Will Be Celebrating National Volunteer Week April 26-May 2*

**AUSTIN—April 22**, at the Four Seasons Hotel. A corporate sponsored luncheon featuring Rita Clements as the keynote speaker.

**April 28**, at Republic Plaza. A city-wide celebration honoring Austin's volunteers.

**DALLAS—April 28**, at the Hyatt Regency. The annual Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Awards-Luncheon sponsored by ARCO Oil and Gas, Southwestern Bell Foundation, and SUN Exploration Company.

**EL PASO—May 18**, at the Marriott Hotel. A Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.

**LONGVIEW—April 27**, at the Holiday Inn. The 1987 Presentation of Awards for the Volunteer of the Year. The luncheon is sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Longview, ARCO Oil and Gas Company, and Sun Exploration and Production Company.

**April 28**, at Johnny Cace's Restaurant. A reception honoring East Texas Volunteers, sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Longview, Directors of Volunteers in Agencies, and the Junior League of Longview.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY—May 3**, at the Strake Camp in Montgomery County. The Strake Camp Jamboree where over 100 organizations will honor their volunteers.

**ODESSA—April 28**, at the Odessa Holiday Inn Centre. The Volunteer Awards Luncheon sponsored by the Volunteer Center.

**May 2**, at Victoria Mall. A Volunteer Fair sponsored by the Directors of Volunteers in Agencies and the mall management.

## Positions Open For Appointment June, July and August 1987

**JUNE**—Texas Adult Probation Commission: 2 positions; Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse: 3 positions; Texas Conservation Foundation: 1 position; Commission on Fire Protection Standards and Education: 3 positions; Good Neighbor Commission of Texas: 3 positions; Texas State Board of Pharmacy: 3 positions; Commission on Physical Fitness: 6 positions; Polygraph Examiners Board: 2 positions.

**JULY**—Canadian River Municipal Water Authority: 11 positions; Neches Valley Authority, Lower: 3 positions; Texas State Board of Podiatry Examiners: 2 positions; Sabine River Authority of Texas: 3 positions.

**AUGUST**—Texas Commission on the Arts: 6 positions; State Board of Canvassers: 1 position; Texas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners: 3 positions; Texas College and University System Coordinating Board: 6 positions; Employees Retirement System of Texas: 1 position; Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority: 4 positions; Texas Juvenile Probation Commission: 3 positions; Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards: 3 positions; Pan American University Board of Regents: 2 positions; Texas Structural Pest Control Board: 2 positions; Red River Authority of Texas: 3 positions; Texas Rehabilitation Commission: 2 positions; Teachers Retirement System of Texas: 3 positions; Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology: 3 positions; Teachers Professional Practices Commission: 12 positions; Texas Tourist Development Board: 3 positions; Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners: 3 positions; Youth Commission: 2 positions.

## Calling All Nominations!

Attention Volunteers!

The 1987 Annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service nomination form is included as part of this newsletter. The presentation of these awards will take place at the 1987 Texas Volunteer Conference which will be held September 15 and 16 in Austin.

All nominations must be received by the Governor's Office of Community Leadership/Volunteer Services no later than **July 15, 1987**. Take advantage of this opportunity to honor outstanding volunteers of Texas by getting your nominations in soon!

## Newsletter Mailing List

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