

## Community Information & Volunteer Centre Kelowna Capital News 2011 October 27

### **Volunteer your family to create Christmas memories**

Nothing says Christmas like turkey dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy and cranberry sauce. Pumpkin pie, mincemeat tarts and fruit cake satisfy your sweet tooth.

Your family can help bring just this type of meal to other families in need. These families are fed, yes, but they also enjoy gathering with others to soak up the festivities on what otherwise might be a sad day.

Help with the celebrations by signing up to volunteer. Imagine your children setting tables, hanging garlands and serving food. Hear the laughter and see the smiles on faces around the room.

If you volunteer for set-up on December 24<sup>th</sup> between 1:00 – 4:00 pm, your tasks could include arranging tables, decorating, gift wrapping, stuffing gift bags and preparing food. This makes for a smooth running event the next day.

Volunteering Christmas Day gives you choices like cooking, welcoming families, serving guests, assisting with draws for prizes and then cleaning up afterwards.

The Christmas Day dinner will be served between 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on December 25<sup>th</sup> at Parkinson Recreation Centre, 1800 Parkinson Way in Kelowna.

Santa and his elves will hand out candy canes. Gifts for the children, a carol sing and loads of other entertainment will make for a lively evening. Complimentary food gift bags will handed out as people say goodbye.

Does that sound like fun? Add your name and your children's names to the volunteer list by December 1<sup>st</sup> so that organizers know they can count on you.

Victory Life Fellowship, The Salvation Army, Capital News and Vital Waters are partnering to host this meaningful community event.

Perhaps your time is limited during the holiday season. You can make a financial gift to buy the needed turkeys, trimmings and gifts. Contact Victory Life Fellowship at (250) 862-3044, [vlf@shaw.ca](mailto:vlf@shaw.ca) or [www.victorylifefellowship.net](http://www.victorylifefellowship.net).

Search for other volunteer opportunities at [www.kcr.ca](http://www.kcr.ca).

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