

CANAL AND TRAIL VOLUNTEER CALLOUT

Volunteers come in all sizes and ages and with varied backgrounds. Some bring their family members and some come just to be with others of similar interests. They help with Canal Park activities, they build and maintain trails, plant flowers, work on restorations and are great ambassadors. The bottom line is to have fun and add to the warm feeling of volunteerism.

A callout for new and present volunteers is set for Thursday, February 16th at the Canal Interpretive Center, 1030 North Washington Street in Delphi. The meeting starts with a free ham & bean supper at 6:30 pm but come earlier if you like to review some of our plans to develop more outside activities and exhibits that will complement our popular Canal Park and Trails.

A special need is to find more boat crew to take the public on cruises along the beautiful mile long restored canal section. You could find yourself with a prestigious position as "captain" piloting *the Delphi*, a replica canal boat. Or you could be an historical re-enactor telling about the times.

If you hanker for trying out your skills with wood, metal, stone etc. this might be the time for you to join in with the M-W-F crew. This crew of volunteers gathers on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings year around. They like the varied tasks and normally work from 8 am to noon. Work schedules can be more flexible that this or you can work independently.

On a regular basis the Canal Association needs singles or couples to help greet the public during Interpretive Center public hours. This beautiful facility is open on Saturday 10-4 pm and Sunday through Friday 1-4 pm. On other special days the Case House and Canal Village is open too. These volunteer time slots are three 3-hour shifts.

Anyone interested in Delphi Historic Trails activities or Canal Interpretive Center hosting are invited. Often times retired couples or clubs and organizations with members looking to help out with community projects are welcome to try out your abilities with this established non-profit canal group.

The Interpretive Center in Canal Park has become a very popular place to bring children, especially 4th graders studying Indiana history. The Canal's education program needs more volunteers who offer assistance working with children. You don't have to be a teacher to assist with this program but just love the rewards of working with children.



Come find out more -- join us at this callout meeting on February 16th.