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### **Volunteers Sought To Help Kids With Read-A-Thon"**

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) for the Clark County area is seeking volunteers aged 55 and older who enjoy reading and want to share their enjoyment with young students.

Volunteers are needed to assist with a special project, McMiles of Reading, a Read-a-Thon at Hazel Dell Elementary School sponsored by RSVP and McDonald's of Van-

The program's goal is to show students how much fun reading can be and encourage them to read more and improve their skills. Volunteers will join Ronald McDonald at an assembly to kick off the read-a-thon

on Monday, Oct. 9 and then read to a classroom for 20 minutes that day and again on Monday, Oct. 16. The goal of the students is to collectively read a mile of minutes or 5,280 min-

RSVP and McDonald's have formed a partnership with local schools to encourage and support literacy and learning. RSVP provides support by recruiting and placing volunteers with local schools and McDonald's assists by providing learning incentives and an educational library to assist teachers.

The two-week-long read-a-thon will be highlighted by McMile of Quarter's day on Oct. 20 to reward

students for reading. This event celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Hazel Dell McDonald's and will raise funds for RSVP.

McDonald's will donate 25 cents from every Extra Value Meal purchased that day at Hazel Dell, Salmon Creek, Andresen Road or Vancouver mall restaurants to support RSVP.

"We have an acute need for volunteers to tutor students and give them individual attention in reading, math, and with English as their second language," says Bobbi Casanova, RSVP director.

For more information or to volunteer call 696-8221.

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### Restaurant Hosts "Taste Of Germany"

The Berlin Inn Restaurant and Bakery will hold a "Taste of Germany" on Saturday with proceeds to benefit area youth programs like Gang Peace.

The open-house style Oktoberfest will celebrate German foods, wines and beers on Oct. 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 3131 S.E. 12th and Powell Boulevard near the Ross Island Bridge. Admission is \$8 (includes all food, wine and beer tasting.)

"The Taste of Germany event allows us to showcase some of our fine German foods and desserts. There will also be German wine and beer tasting as well as live accordion music," explains Karen Brauer, owner of the Berlin Inn Restaurant &

"Plus, it also gives us an opportunity to raise funds to help area



youth programs. I feel that it's important for area businesses to take part in their community and this is one way I can help," Brauer said.

The event will feature sampling of mouth-watering German foods, including sauerbraten, beef rouladen, sausages, spaetzle, swabian spareribs and sweet and sour cabbage as well as desserts like Black Forest

Torte and Apricot Marzipan.

The Berlin Inn Restaurant and Bakery now offers Portland's largest selection of German wines with over 100 varieties. The establishment has been serving distinctive German cuisine sine 1992.

Area youth programs such as the Gang Peace program and I'm Peer Proof, run by the Portland Area Council of Camp

Fire, will benefit from the event. Gang Peace focuses on violence reduction by fostering positive peer relationships and leadership development to prevent gang involvement.

I'm Peer Proof helps fourth and fifth grade boys and girls learn how assertive behavior can help them make good decisions in peer pressure situations.







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