

Brethren,

As you all know, we have been working diligently to rebuild the non-profit business we now call New Hampshire MasoniCare (NHMC). When M.W. Brother C. Wayne Libby, Jr., traveled around the state last summer, openly discussing our processes and challenges, many of you expressed your willingness to help in any way possible.

We now come to you and ask for some of that help.

Along with many other challenges we face, our single largest operation is that of our assisted living facility in Manchester. As you might imagine, the successful operation of a 105 year old building, along with the business it houses, requires constant and skilled attention and resources. The strain on our annual budget is enormous. Without doubt, monetary donations will always be helpful and gratefully accepted. But we're now asking for something different. We're asking for your time and skills.

NHMC proposes the formation of a volunteer workforce, to be known as "The Square Force", made up primarily, but not exclusively, of the Brethren of the Masonic Lodges in our jurisdiction. We envision this work force to be multi-faceted - from those willing to simply visit regularly to spend time with our residents, up to and including highly skilled trades-people who are willing to donate their time and abilities toward improving the building, grounds and equipment.

Attached, is a sheet of some, but not all, of the various tasks that need to be performed on a regular basis. Be aware...The Square Force is not something we intend to "try-out" or to have people just floating in and out as they feel the urge. This will be a formal workforce, with regular schedules. It's the only way we'll be able to count on the work being done that we have in front of us.

The successful creation and implementation of The Square Force could be a tremendous benefit in our journey to transitioning the business into a successful senior care organization, that becomes the pinnacle of pride for all New Hampshire Masons. You asked what you could do. The time is now -- we need you. If you want to be a member of The Square Force, please complete the attached form and return it to my office. This idea raised some eyebrows, but I have absolutely no doubt that, as always, I can count on my New Hampshire Brethren, and their families and friends to make this effort successful.

Fraternally,

Stewart L. Aronson
President/CEO
NH MasoniCare

REQUIRED TASKS

- Playing games with the guests
- Taking guests for walks
- Taking guests for rides
- Taking guests to appointments
- Reading to or with guests
- Doing errands for guests
- Assisting at special events
- Facility improvements (with appropriate license)
 - Building
 - Electric
 - Plumbing
 - Carpentry
 - HVAC
 - Grounds & Landscaping
 - Maintenance
 - Carpet cleaning
 - Floor treatments
 - Window cleaning & treatments
 - Walks, Ramps & Driveways
 - Elevators
 - Electronic
 - Computers (operate, train, repair, donate, networking)
 - Audio/Visual equipment
 - Telephones
 - Major equipment
 - Kitchen equipment
 - Commercial laundry equipment
 - Cleaning equipment & Supplies
- Personal Attention
 - Hair, nails, sewing
 - Gifts: bags, pens, paper, stamps, clothing, personal items, TV/Radio/Computer

There are many other tasks, responsibilities, duties and items that could be added to this list. If you have a particular skill, talent or ability that you think may be of beneficial use, please let me know. Or if you have access to equipment, articles or items that can be used here, at little or no cost, I look forward to our conversation!

The Square Force

APPLICATION

ABILITIES:

Skilled Trades: _____

License(s) Held:

LIST ABILITIES:

GUEST SERVICES FUNCTIONS:

WEEKLY TIME AVAILABLE:

ACCESS TO GOODS & SERVICES:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

EMAIL:

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION: