

## Township Updates 6/18/2013

*"Compassionately challenging Zion residents to overcome hardships and encourage positive life changes."*

- Monthly Report Attached.
- The ZB Run Squad's "Reading Run" had with over 100 runners. Proceeds went to the Zion Benton Public Library to help cover the cost of the free programming that is provided. The next run, Bee Linked Run, supporting the ZBTHS Cross Country Team is scheduled for July 20th. Info is at [www.zbrun.org](http://www.zbrun.org).
- The Zion Benton Leadership Academy applications for 2013 are available. Visit [www.zbchc.com](http://www.zbchc.com). The deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup>!
- Summer Work Program began yesterday with the parent orientation on Monday night and the training all day today. Thanks to ZBTHS and New Tech for allowing us to use the facility for both events, as well as utilizing their ID machine. We are hiring 73 youth this year. Any seniors in the community that would like to have raking, painting etc. done, please contact Zion Township.
- Visiting Bethesda Village on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am and Carmel House on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8am.
- Thanks to The Grove at the Lake for a wonderful Community Picnic. If you have not been over to see the renovations, I strongly encourage you to do so.
- Meals on Wheels Volunteers are needed. It takes 45 minutes one day a week between 10-11am.
- A Zion-Benton Exchange Club is forming! The installation is scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Zion-Benton Public Library. Stella Jones is spear-heading the group and can be reached at 847-360-1266.
- A new Caregivers Support Group have formed, thanks to Daryl Albert. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm at the Zion Benton Public Library. Additionally, I was just informed that Family Services received a grant to provide geriatric counseling for Zion, Waukegan and North Chicago. They will be providing individual counseling to caregivers as well as grandparents raising grandchildren, support groups for both and also have a fund for incidentals to support their clients.
- Dunesland Garden Club Garden Tour is on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am til 1pm. It is FREE. Pick up the tour information at the Zion Benton Public Library that day.