



Fall 2014

Please put November 3 on your Calendar! The 2014 GoodGiving Guide Challenge Begins with a Great Challenge for ITNBluegrass and an Invitation for YOU!



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ITN*Bluegrass'* is participating again in this online Challenge, which runs from Monday, November 3-Friday, December 12. We are very excited about the first Challenge event on November 3: The first 10 non-profits to raise \$7,500 and receive 50 unique contributions of \$25 or more will receive a DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR MATCH from the Blue Grass Community Foundation. This happened on the FIRST day of the Challenge last year (though not to us)! We can do it this year with your help. Just 75 \$100 gifts gets us there! Please help support safe, affordable senior transportation in the Bluegrass! **The Challenge starts at 9 am on November 3 at www.bggives.org.**

To make it more festive, we are kicking the day off with an event at Richmond Place at 3051 Rio Dosa Drive! Stop by between 8:30 and 10:30 am on November 3 and enjoy refreshments and register for door prizes (all compliments of Richmond Place), make an online gift if you wish, take a tour of RP and hear about ITNBluegrass' ride service. We'd love to see you!

If you can't make it, please visit www.bggives.org— all tax-deductible donations must be made ONLINE via credit or debit card. There are lots of incentive prizes at various levels of giving as well as a Leaderboard so you can keep track of our progress in real time, which makes all this kind of exciting!



Fall Facts

Total Members by October 15: 479 (not all are riders)

Total Rides in September: 848

Total Rides to Date: (Sept. 1, 2008–Oct. 15, 2014) 38,456

Bulletin Board

Welcome to our newest volunteer drivers: Rachel Barber, John Campbell, WC Corbin, Jim Drahovzal, Sudie Jones and Rhonda Turley.

Welcome to our newest staff members: Daytime Ride Coordinator Sharon Metz and After-hours Ride Coordinators NaKia Talbert. We said good-bye in May to Linda Huffman.

Board change: We say good-bye and thank-you to Marc Craft, Barbara Geralds and Stan Wonn. We welcome Cyndi Allen, Lois Carter, Helen Kientz and Rhonda Turley, as well as Gale Reece as Board Member Emeritus.

Visit us on Facebook!

WISH LIST

- 1. Forever Postage Stamps
- 2. COPY PAPER (20-24 LB)
- 3. #10 WINDOW ENVELOPES (WINDOW IN LOWER LEFT)
- 4. WHITE CARD STOCK
- 5. SMALL GIFT CARDS OR
 GIFTS FOR DRIVER APPRECIATION DRAWINGS

Meet Member-Rider Sharon Scott...

Sharon Scott is a 65-years-young widow originally from Elliott County (Sandy Hook) where she resided for 30 years. She moved to Liberty County where she resided for another 30 years, doing her life work of early childhood development with Kentucky Youth Research – ultimately getting Head Start programs up and running for both Morgan and Elliott Counties. She took two years of night classes at a community college majoring in childhood development and sociology with an emphasis



in corrections. She also worked in the prison in West Liberty for 10 years as a guard. She has three sons: Quincy, Eric and George, and several step-grandchildren. Sharon moved to Lexington four years ago and lives with George. Sharon likes to work in flower gardens – her favorite flowers are zinnias and marigolds. To her, ITN*Bluegrass* is a blessing – she does not have to rely exclusively on her son, who works full-time, to take her places. She discovered ITN*Bluegrass* from her home health nurse and has been a rider since April 2010. She really likes the way the drivers make sure the rider gets into the their destination and how they follow up to make sure everything is going right. *Thank you, Sharon!*

...and Volunteer Driver Bill Perrine!

Bill Perrine has been driving with ITN*Bluegrass* since March 2009. Bill is originally from Maysville and worked for 34 years for Ashland Oil Corporation in Ashland. He received a Bachelor's Degree in

Chemical Engineering from Georgia Tech. Bill has four children and three grandchildren. He is a member of the Lexington Rotary Club and works with its Youth Exchange Program. He also teaches remedial reading at Arlington Elementary, which is very rewarding for him as he sees so many positive changes in the children's personalities. Bill is also an elder at Second Presbyterian Church, which is where he first heard about ITNBluegrass. His interests include meeting interesting people and having fun, which means he really enjoys talking with his riders. Thank you, Bill!



Bill at the ITNBG booth at the 2014 iknow expo!



Letter from the Executive Director, Laura Dake

It's been a while since we've put a newsletter out — suffice it to say that this has been a very, very busy year. Our ride numbers exploded early in the spring and haven't looked back! We are consistently delivering more than 800 rides a month, and October is on track to top 900 for the first time!

• You saw on the cover that the **Good Giving Guide Challenge** begins November 3. I would be so grateful to have you join us for breakfast at Richmond Place that morning. Drop in anytime between 8:30 and 10:30 and register to win door prizes, take a tour of Richmond Place, hear about ITNBG and make an online donation if you wish! Thanks to Richmond Place for this wonderful opportunity to raise badly-needed funds to keep this ride service motoring along and keeping people active and independent. As I did last year, I am putting my money where my mouth is and will make a substantial online gift on November 3.



- If you are online (and I know most of you are!) but are still getting a paper newsletter, please call the office or email me (laura.dake@itnbluegrass.org) with your address. I am going to start a monthly "mini-newsletter" that I will send electronically. We will continue to do paper newsletters, so no worries if you don't have email.
- If you like to gift-wrap, join me and others at Joseph-Beth for holiday gift-wrapping in December (see below)! I will be present during both shifts and would love to see you. If you can't wrap, come by and buy some gifts and we'll wrap them for you!
- Please turn to page 4 and see our list of donors! Hope your name is on it! If there is a spelling error or your name isn't on there but should be, the fault is mine. Please do let me know so I can make it right.



ITN*Bluegrass* warmly thanks Regeneron Pharmaceuticals of Tarrytown, NY, for its support over the past year in paying for our riders' medical eye care rides. Dozens of riders have taken advantage of this special program and more than 100 round trips have been provided. Eye health is so important to attend to, and we are so pleased we can offer these savings!

(l-r): Laura Dake and Ruth Burns of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals



Do you like to wrap gifts? Would you like to help ITN*Bluegrass* while doing so? Join us at Joseph-Beth Booksellers where we'll wrap customers' gifts for tips! It's a lot of fun! Our shifts are:

Friday, December 12, 2:00-6:00 pm

Friday, December 19, 2:00-6:00 pm

Please call Laura at 351-0460 if you would like to spend an hour or two (or more) wrapping gifts. Keep in mind that if it is busy, you will be on your feet. We will need two or three volunteers available at all times.

Thank you to all our 2014 Donors!

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Special thanks to The Retirement Research Foundation for its support of the i know expo Sunday Sessions!

And thank you to volunteer driver Roger Parry for his matching gift of \$500 when we get our first 10 \$50 donors during the 2014 Good Giving Guide Challenge!



Where in the World (well, in Fayette County) do we go?

Sometimes people ask us where we take people the most. We have a report for that! Since we began ride operations in 2008, these are our top 10 destinations in terms of number of rides (not included are two single-family residences):

- 1. Second Presbyterian Church
- Richmond Place/Brookdale Senior Living
- Dialysis Clinic, Inc. (Professional Heights Drive)
- Hanover Towers
- Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital
- Southland Hair Design
- St. Joseph/Kentucky One Office Park
- St. Peter Catholic Church
- **Continental Towers**
- 10. Centre City Condo (near Rupp Arena)



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To pay by credit card, visit our website at itnbluegrass.org and click on "Pay Online." Be sure to indicate that the payment is for a gift certificate and who the recipient is. If we haven't spoken to you already, we will call to get the preferred card style and mailing instructions.

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