Geneva Heroes

February 4th–April 9th 2017

Geneva Heroes is a program designed and run by dedicated students from Hobart and William Smith Colleges who have an interest in working with youth and doing community service. The program is supported by the college’s Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning and the Geneva City School District.

Each Saturday, the group meets and participates in some service-learning/community service project designed by the HWS volunteers. Students will be provided lunch either on campus or at a designated site. Information for each week, along with photos from the previous weeks will be available online on our blog site. At the end of the program, there will be a reception for all students and their families and friends to recognize the work of student participants.

PLEASE NOTE: Geneva Heroes will accept applications from students in 7th – 12th grades. In case your child will be absent, please notify a Geneva Heroes Program Coordinator before 9am that Saturday morning. Participation is very important and while we understand that there are occasionally family emergencies or unexpected situations that arise, please make every effort to attend. Attendance is critical since we have such a large number of participants, and will again break up the group and assign participants to alternate weekends.

We will notify you of all site dropoff and pickup locations. Please check your email for any additional changes to service sites. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Geneva Heroes program meets every Saturday, February 4th through April 9th, 2017, from 10am -1pm.

Geneva Heroes will not meet on Saturday March 11th and 18th (HWS Spring Break)

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding the program please feel free to call the Geneva Heroes Program Coordinators whose numbers are written above or contact the HWS Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning Office at 781-3825.

All applications are due by January 9th, 2017

Please Note: Students will be notified no later than January 17th, 2017 of their acceptance into the program.
Participant Information

(Please Note: our primary method of communication for the semester will be e-mail. Please be sure to provide a current email address and check it regularly during the program.)

Student Information

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School Attending/Grade

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Known Allergies/Dietary Restrictions:

Other Relevant Information:

Parent/ Guardian Information

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Permission Slip

I allow __________________ to apply to the 2017 Geneva Heroes Community Service Program through Hobart and William Smith Colleges and the Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning. The program lasts from Saturday February 4th – April 9th (excluding March 11 and 18; HWS spring break). I understand that my student needs to arrive promptly at
10am so that the group may leave for the service site on time. Program Coordinators need to be notified if a student will not be attending before 10am of that Saturday morning so that the group may leave on time.

Print Name (Student)

______________________________
Signature of Student Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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Signature of Parent/ Guardian Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Photo/Media Release Form: HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES

This Release and Waiver of Liability is executed by ____________________________ (the “Participant”) in favor of Hobart and William Smith Colleges, a non-profit organization, its members, officers, employees, and agents, and those of its affiliates, sponsors, contributors, and their affiliated companies for this event (collectively, “Hobart and William Smith Colleges”).

The Participant freely executes this Release under the following terms:

Photographic and Media Release. The Participant does hereby grant and convey to Hobart and William Smith Colleges all right, title, and interest in any and all photographic images, video or audio recordings, artwork, letters, or anecdotes gathered by Hobart and William Smith Colleges during the Participant’s participation in a Geneva Heroes event, including but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings. Hobart and William Smith Colleges will have the right to edit and use these materials for purposes of program promotion, advertising, or public relations.

Minors. If the Participant is a minor (a person under 18 years of age), the signature/permission supplied by the parent or legal guardian shall constitute on behalf of the minor a release and waiver of liability to the full extent set forth above.

Accepted and Agreed:

Participant Signature Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
(Parent or Legal Guardian if Participant under 18)

Address

City, State, Zip code Phone

Student Leader Agreement

As previous members of Geneva Heroes we are offering you a unique opportunity to continue your participation in the Geneva Heroes program as high school students through the leadership program!
What your involvement entails:
- Leadership Training
- Planning (program activities, events and service projects)
- Mentoring of new Geneva Heroes members

As a Student Leader I, ____________________ agree to do the following:
- Display a positive attitude, and good role modeling each week
- Participate willingly in service activities/ projects
- Attend each week (missing max. 2 weekends- please let us know if this is not possible for you and we will discuss other options)
- Stay for our **weekly leaders meetings (1-1:30pm)**
- Are kind and supportive of your fellow peers and Geneva Heroes members
- Create and implement, with your fellow Leaders, the leadership project for the final celebration/reception in April
- Step outside of my comfort zone and get to know all participants in Geneva Heroes
- No cell phone use during the program, with the exception of emergencies

Print Name (Student)

Signature of Student

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Student Leader Response

Please answer the following questions in a short paragraph using the space below or type and attach an additional document.
As a high schooler in Geneva Heroes, you are taking on a leadership role. How do you plan to embody this responsibility of leadership for the younger students in the program?

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What does it mean to you to be a good citizen of the Geneva community?

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What do you hope will be the short term and long term benefits of your participation in Geneva Heroes, not only for yourself, but for the community as a whole?

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Have you participated in Geneva Heroes before? Yes _____ No _____

If you participated in the past, why are you reapplying? If this is your first time applying, what made you want to apply?

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Please check the dates that you are available to participate in Geneva Heroes.

We will be splitting up into groups again this year and will do our best to accommodate your schedule.

Saturday, 2/4
Saturday, 2/11
Saturday, 2/18
Saturday, 2/25

Saturday, 3/4
Saturday, 3/11  No Geneva Heroes
Saturday, 3/18  No Geneva Heroes
Saturday, 3/25

Saturday, 4/1
Saturday, 4/8
Sunday, 4/9

If you have any questions or concerns please call the Geneva Heroes Program Coordinators whose numbers are on page 2 or contact the HWS Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning Office at 315-781-3825. Thank you for applying!