



Save the Date(s)!
ITNBluegrass Benefit with CAbi,
the Ultimate in Personal Shopping!



Thursday evening, March 11, and Friday morning, March 12, with CAbi fashion consultant Sheridan Simmons at the home of Gale Reece. Come in the evening or come in the morning for **Fashion, Friends and Fun** while viewing CAbi's spring collection of versatile and popular fashions for all ages.

15% of proceeds go to ITNBluegrass.

Interested? Give us a call at (859) 252-8665 for more information.

A Night at the Theater to see
"A Prairie Home Companion with Garrison Keillor - LIVE in HD"

On Thursday, February 4, a performance of *A Prairie Home Companion* at the Fitzgerald Theater in St. Paul, Minnesota, will be broadcast live and in high-definition at the Fayette Mall Theater. This exclusive two-hour presentation begins at 8 p.m. and will feature guests such as Elvis Costello, Jearlyn and Jevetta Steele, Heather Masse, and Robin and Linda Williams. ITNBluegrass will have a table set up at this event as an opportunity to spread the word about our service and volunteer driving. Join us and invite your friends! Tickets for this show are available now online at:

www.ncm.com/Fathom/TalkRadio/PrairieHomeCompanion.aspx

Upcoming Event!
Join ITNBluegrass for an Educational and Interesting Speaker

ITNBluegrass is currently working on setting a date in February to bring in a speaker educated in the topic of Health Care Reform.

Winter Facts

Total Members by
December 2009
234
(not all are riders)

Total Rides in
December:
328

Total Rides to Date
3,572

Reminder: Beginning February 15, ITNBluegrass will move its "call-by" time for next-day rides from 6:00 pm to **4:00 pm**. Starting that day, any calls that come in after 4:00 will be charged same-day rates for rides scheduled the next day.

Bulletin Board

Welcome to:

Our newest volunteer drivers: Bonnie Detzel, Rick Johnson, Carolyn Loeff, Alison Marcotte, Richard Myers, Linda Ransdell, Lee Sturtevant and Leonard Urback.

Our newest Board

members: Gail Bennett, Bennett Clark and Nancy Johnson.

Welcome back to:

Our first college intern: Anna (Thomas) Brien. Anna got married in August, got her degree from UK in December and is back with us cleaning up our database!

Meet Volunteer Driver and Board Member Joe Jarboe...

As one of our first and most active volunteers, Joe Jarboe is an irreplaceable asset to the ITNBluegrass team. With the combination of his very diverse work background along with his dedication to his community, he has made a perfect fit for the position of Vice Chair on the ITNBluegrass board.



Joe, who is originally from Marion County, attended the University of Kentucky where he earned a degree in Engineering. After graduation, he served for 27 years as an officer in the United States Air Force and worked his way up to the title of colonel. Before retiring, he spent 8 years working as a general contractor for single family homes in Scott County.

In addition to such an extensive work history, some of Joe's community involvement includes serving as the Commissioner of the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission, president of St. John School Committee, and board member of the Kentucky League for Education Alternatives. He currently volunteer drives about two days a week and when it comes to what Joe thinks about his volunteering experiences with ITNBluegrass he states, "All of the riders are very interesting, appreciative people." Likewise, here at ITNBluegrass, we are appreciative for him.

...And Member Rider Rose Garden

Member rider Rose Garden made her way to the Lexington area from upstate New York about five years ago. She chose to relocate to Kentucky in order to join her daughter, son-in-law, and their children who were, at the time, making the move from Boulder, Colorado. She is currently involved in the community and often uses the transportation of ITNBluegrass to get to the places she needs to go.

Rose became aware of the services of ITNBluegrass through a number of different sources around the Lexington area including friends that were using the service on a regular basis, meetings she was attending at Temple, brochures, and local events at which ITN was present. She was surprised at the number of ways in which the organization approached the community and about one year ago, after all of these encounters with the information, Rose decided to become a member.

When asked to describe her experience with ITNBluegrass, Rose says, "It's simple, I appreciate the presence of such a marvelous organization and if you're asking for a report card, I would definitely give it an A."

Letter from the Deputy Director: Laura Dake

By the time you read this, ITN*Bluegrass* drivers will have delivered 4,000 rides! We are so pleased to help people get where they need to go and appreciate all the nice comments you make about our service. We do plenty of medical rides, but it is so gratifying to see people getting out to go to work or worship, to attend a cultural or educational event, or just to have fun!



I'd like to use most of this space to thank those of you who helped with our Annual Appeal mailing and those who donated to our Annual Appeal. We had a fun mailing party in December, where we folded, stuffed, labeled, stamped and sealed more than 1,100 letters! We even enjoyed a pizza and salad lunch! If you're interested in helping with future mailings, please give us a call and we'll put you on our list. Some mailings can be done from home but for those we do in the office, we will provide transportation to and from at no charge. It's a great way to meet new people, too!

ITN*Bluegrass* had a very successful Annual Appeal, and as of this writing has raised just over \$9,000! Transportation programs are very expensive to operate, and we are not supported by tax dollars. Once we are fully sustainable (projected to be in about three more years), fares and memberships will cover about half of our operating expenses; the other half will come from local fundraising. If you would like to donate to ITN*Bluegrass*, please see the back of this newsletter and consider becoming a "Friend." You will receive some great car care benefits, but better than that, you'll know that you are helping people in our community stay active and independent!

These people helped with the Annual Appeal mailing:

Donna Baker
Oleta Crawley
Joe Jarboe
Chandra Jarboe
Roger Parry
Anne Purple
Philip Rose
Toni Shultz

These people are our newest "Friends of ITNBluegrass:"

Douglas Andersen	Susan Griffith	Aubrey and Karen May
Donna Baker	Janet Holloway	William and Millicent McAtee
Donald Bayer	Lousie A. Headley	Betty Meadows
Kristen and Perry Bentley	Darrell Herron	Kolan Morelock
Carl and Barbara Boyer	Glenn Herron	Stephen and Marie Palmer
Dwight Carpenter	Alma Hess	Helen Pope
Doug and Brenda Dean	Barbara Hunter	Maines and Frederica Rawls
Melba Emerson	Earlene Jackson	Glendola Runis
Laura End	Ken and Nancy Johnson	Barry and Debbie Russell
Rose Garden	Mary P. Johnson	Jean Sabharwal
Janet Gardner	Vera Jones	Sally Scherer
Charles and Linda Gorton	Kathleen Kregor	E.C. Seeley
Nicola Graddy	Connie Lowe	David and Sally Stevens
	Doris Matlock	Delores Taormina

Thank you to all others who donated to our Annual Appeal:

Become a Friend of ITNBluegrass!

Please consider becoming a "Friend of ITNBluegrass!" You'll enjoy the following benefits:

- 1) You support safe, dignified, affordable transportation for elders and the visually impaired in the Bluegrass area.
- 2) Car care discounts at Ken Towery.
- 3) Local volunteer opportunities.
- 4) ITNBluegrass Walk for Rides t-shirt (while supplies last).

To become a Friend of ITNBluegrass, simply fill out the following form and mail it, along with your check*, to ITNBluegrass, 1206 N Limestone Street, Lexington, KY 40505.

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

Apt. #: _____ **City:** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____ - _____ **Email Address:** _____

I have enclosed (check all that apply):

- \$50 to become a member-donor
- Additional tax-deductible donation: _____

*Please make checks payable to ITNBluegrass

This information can be found in greater detail at www.itnblugrass.org or by calling (859) 252-8665.

Return Service Requested