

Never Say Goodbye

Dear Readers,

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Within the next few weeks, The Week newspaper will no longer be published. For many years owner Skip Bliss/Bliss Communications published The Week newspaper. The Week newspaper was available free of charge and the only revenue was from advertising. In the current state of the U.S. economy Bliss Communications had to make a decision. Their decision was to acquire CSI's Walworth County Shopper Advertiser and Walworth County Sunday, which are financially successful due to the numerous classified ads.

Everyone knows that if you have something to sell or you are looking for a good deal on something to buy, you pick up the CSI Shopper Advertiser.

The Time Is Now column which has been published for the past six and a half years in The Week will now be in the CSI Walworth County Sunday newspaper. I am told that it will be on page five, but I am waiting for final acknowledgment. Please see our good works for all people in the Walworth County Sunday newspaper.

Over these past six and a half years of our networking, we have helped over three thousand people throughout our local communities. Also, we have networked through both the Lake Geneva Regional News and The Week newspapers a combined reading audience of over 40,000 readers. We have many Illinois readers as well due to the numerous tourists and second home owners in our area.

The Time Is Now to Help was founded in 1989 and originally helped throughout Chicago and the suburbs. Many individuals have been very supportive to The Time Is Now to Help for 19 years. Everyone loves reading what we are doing to help, knowing every penny of their donation is being used to help God's creations. The money I receive from donors in our local communities stays here in our local communities. We have eased the pain and suffering of over 3,000.

Could you imagine hearing the cries of children from the pain of being hungry? Could you see the fear on the face of an elderly person living in the dark due to their utilities being disconnected? Could you watch the tears and anguish of a single mother facing eviction and homelessness with young children? Every one of these people takes a toll on my emotions. Could you imagine over 3,000?

Thinking back over the 3,000 people we have helped in the past six and a half years, I am grateful to have turned their tears of pain and agony into tears of happiness knowing we are out there Caring & Sharing, giving them hope. I thank the Regional News and I thank Skip Bliss for their support, because without these two newspapers, we would not be easing this pain and suffering.

Every week on our website, www.TheTimeIsNowToHelp.org, our Caring and Sharing stories are published online. There are many of you who are regular readers of our print edition in the newspapers. I appreciate your support. Speaking of support be sure to support Skip's new venture, CSI Walworth County Shopper Advertiser and Walworth County Sunday. We need to support one another by Caring and Sharing and we need to support our local newspapers, CSI Walworth County Shopper Advertiser, Walworth County Sunday and the Lake Geneva Regional News.

This last week I received an urgent call from a concerned neighbor. They were worried their neighbors were living without electricity due to their inability to pay their bill. They were living with children in a deplorable situation, because not only was the electricity off, they also had no water since the well ran on an electrical pump. They had no water for bathing, no water to cook with and no water for their toilets. Together, through our Caring and Sharing, I immediately contacted the electric company, and got their electricity restored. These children had been living with no electricity and no water for almost a week. It is hard to even imagine children living in this great country of ours for a week without the basic necessity of water, and yet poverty is happening all around us. Once again, it is you and I, the private sector coming to the rescue. By all means, we cannot let our six and a half years of networking come to an end. We need to support our local newspapers that are networking a huge community service for every citizen throughout our wonderful Walworth County. Please advertise in these local papers.

Let us continue to help our fellow creations, offering them hope and easing their pains of poverty. We owe it to God and our fellow creations to stay strong.

Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone, WC

Richard Driehaus \$30,000 Matching Grant: Richard Driehaus has again generously offered The Time Is Now to Help a \$30,000.00 Matching Grant. For every dollar you give Richard will match it with another. God Bless you for Caring and Sharing for those in need.

Side by Side Chicken Dinner Fundraiser: Side by Side will be having a fundraising chicken dinner on Monday, August 4th. It will be held at Crandall's restaurant in Hebron, IL from 4-8 p.m. This is an all you can eat chicken dinner, beverage and tip included: \$12 adults and \$8 children. Tickets can be purchased at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lake Geneva or at the door the day of the event. If you have any questions call (262) 248-4613.

Please Help: Make checks payable to: The Time Is Now to Help, P.O. Box 70, Pell Lake, WI 53157. The Time Is Now to Help is a federally recognized 501(c)3 charitable organization licensed in the states of Wisconsin and Illinois.

You will receive a tax deductible, itemized thank you receipt showing exactly what every penny of your donation provided for the poverty stricken.

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Desperately Needed Cars: Once again we have a desperate need for used cars. If anyone has a car they are thinking of trading in or an extra car you are not using, please think of those who are in desperate need of transportation to get them to and from work so they can provide the daily necessities for their families. Without reliable transportation it makes their situation even more desperate. Please Care & Share.

Pick 'N Save "We Care" Program: Please sign up for the "We Care" program at your local Pick 'N Save. A percentage of each purchase will go directly to The Time is Now to Help. All you have to do is designate The Time is Now, account number **832410**, on your Advantage Plus Savers Club Card application.

Goodsearch for The Time Is Now: Search the web with www.goodsearch.com and help to raise funds for The Time Is Now to Help. Just make www.goodsearch.com your homepage, pick The Time Is Now as your charity and the rest is simple. You can even shop some of your favorite online retailers. It is a fun and easy way to help the poverty stricken.

Endowments/Helping Others through Your Will: For those of you who wish to leave an endowment for the poverty stricken, we would greatly accept any gifts. Please think of those in desperate need, good people, living in fear of poverty and consider helping them through your will.

Donate Stocks/ Mutual Funds, Let the Government Contribute: Consider donating shares of appreciated stocks and mutual funds to The Time Is Now to Help and receive twice the benefits from your gift. Please call 262-249-7000 if you would like more information.

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