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WAYS TO RECOGNIZE AND REWARD VOLUNTEERS

Parties * Service awards * free tickets to events * free t-shirts * pizza * retreats * key chains * free admission to organization trips * “Member of the Month” award * give out trophies/mugs * hugs * kisses * awards/banquets * stipends * free weekend outing * plaques for every year or every month engraved with name of outstanding member * print names in newsletter or newspaper * promotion for achievement * thank you notes * announce thank yous at meeting * use of office phone for local calls * buttons * co-curricular transcripts * free leftovers from events- food, posters, etc. * name tags * let volunteers introduce performers and receive recognition * certificates for recognition * bring treats to meetings- candy, popcorn, etc * happy hour in the office * painter’s hats * put volunteer pictures in the paper or recruitment pamphlets * receptions * slide shows * reading thank you notes to organization at meeting * broadcast thank you on radio* advisor nomination and selection for achievement * send members to conventions * nominate outstanding worker of the year award * classified personal ads in the State Times * gift certificates * using volunteer ideas and suggestions * merit pints * scholarships * accept them for what they are and can do, don’t compare them to previous groups and people with different qualifications * coffee hour after meetings * member jackets * have a meeting at lunch or dinner * notebooks * supporting one another’s events * can use organization membership on resume working * side by side- leaders are willing to help members * organization photographs * have entertainment for members * send picture/news release to hometown newspaper * invite members to your house for dinner * give members more responsibility * banners * honor roll or volunteer hall of fame * membership cards * discount cards * say THANK YOU!

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