

## Restoration Welcomes PIHN Guests beginning Feb 3rd

Restoration will be welcoming guests from the Philadelphia Interfaith Hospitality Network (PIHN) from February 3<sup>rd</sup> to March 3<sup>rd</sup>. They'll be staying in the classrooms on the second floor of Hale Hall. Our goal is to provide a safe and comfortable home for our guests throughout their four-week stay. There are four ways you can help:

1. Assist Joanna in moving furniture and equipment from the classrooms before the guests arrive.
2. Helping our guests when they move in and out. Both moves are scheduled early afternoon on Sundays after the social hour. These moves are generally finished in less than a half hour, as the guests, PIHN staff, and volunteers from Penn Charter School do much of the heavy lifting.
3. Preparing and hosting evening meals. **We are responsible for providing evening meals on Sunday through Thursday during the first two weeks of their stay:**

- Sunday, February 3
- Monday, February 4
- Tuesday, February 5
- Thursday, February 6
  
- Sunday, February 10
- Monday, February 11
- Tuesday, February 12
- Wednesday, February 13
- Thursday, February 14



The guests themselves will be preparing evening meals on Fridays and Saturdays, and volunteers from partnering congregations will cook and host weeknight meals during the third and fourth weeks.

4. Restoration is responsible for providing overnight hosts for the first two weeks of the guests' stay (February 3<sup>rd</sup> through . PIHN staff will cover the second week. Overnight hosts are on duty from 9 p.m. until 6:30 a.m. to answer guests' questions and to ensure guests are up for work and school in the morning. In case of an unlikely emergency, overnight hosts will call 9-1-1 and (if necessary) alert guest to evacuate the building. As an overnight host, your privacy is ensured. Hosts will stay in Hale Lounge. The guests will be staying in classrooms on the second floor of Hale Hall.

Restoration's affiliation with PIHN is one of our most enduring social action initiatives. PIHN provides education, training, social support, and housing for carefully selected families in crisis. PIHN's mission begins with meeting immediate needs and extends beyond that to alleviate the root causes and help families achieve lasting independence. Their approach is highly effective; fully 92% of families receiving PIHN's assistance have succeeded in permanently overcoming homelessness. Congregations from many faith traditions work together to share this work.

We'll be passing around sign-up sheets after services for the next few weeks.

—Steve Workman & Darlene Styer  
PIHN Coordinators