



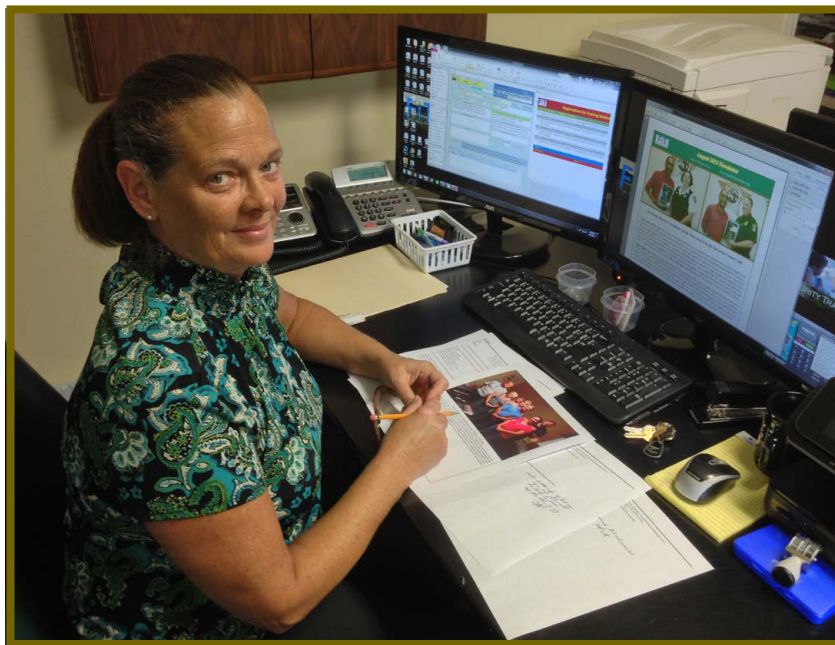
Joe Moore Receives Volunteer of the Year Award at the Sarasota County Jail

“Volunteer of the Year. The annual volunteer luncheon at Camelot Lakes Mobile Home Park thanked the hundreds of men and women who participate in our Citizen Patrol and Neighborhood Watch Programs, volunteer throughout the agency or lend their time and talent to mentor inmates in the jail. The 2012 Volunteer of the Year is Joe Moore, a man who turned his life around after a stint in jail and wanted to give inmates the same opportunity and motivation that helped him. Since 2009, Joe has taught life skills programs such as anger management, parenting and loss and grief. Thanks Joe and everyone who helps the SSO!” – from the April, 2013 issue of *Silver and Gold*, a publication of the Sarasota County Sheriff’s Office.

Editor’s Note. Joe Moore is a member of the FIT Board of Directors and has been one of our top producers at the Sarasota County Jail, where he ministers the FIT curricula indicated above. This is the same jail that Joe served his time in. In the photo in the upper right, Joe is shown with Robin Rogari, program director for the jail. Through Robin’s guidance, the jail has seen 1,120 FIT course certificates issued since 2008, more than at any other institution. In the upper right photo, Sheriff Tom Knight is shown presenting Joe his plaque.

Meet Rhonda Page. FIT is pleased to have Rhonda Page on board as office administrator for ten hours per week. Ms. Page also serves as church administrator at Journey Assembly of God and uses both positions to recruit volunteers to help with the very busy FIT office.

Rhonda comes to us with many years of executive office experience and has already proven invaluable in managing the office and coordinating the office volunteers. She is a very dedicated Christian, works with youth in both the community and in the church.





Seven Trained in Bradenton and “Ministry-Ready”

The group shown here in the FIT office not only completed their basic FIT Training, they pleased us by their outstanding initiative and passion to serve. Every one of them pre-registered, pre-paid, participated with enthusiasm, and have plans to immediately implement the FIT program. Courses were planned right on the spot and dozens of books were distributed for classes to begin within the week. Realizing that the real facilitator training comes with experience, five of them will co-facilitate the first class to become more familiar and comfortable with the materials.

New Computer Equipment Donated for FIT Office-

Through the generous gifts and loans of at least three individuals, the FIT office now has two high-tech, interconnected workstations which allow two people to work simultaneously with FIT’s database systems. The office is very busy and can only function with the extreme limitation of funds by using emerging technology and efficiencies to squeeze out every time-saving and cost-saving possible. By its very nature, providing all those custom certificates and free books for ministries is a challenge. One person donated the complete computer system, another a second monitor and some software. Still another loaned an old laptop to drive an outdated printer (shown on right) that still produces FIT books.

