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Foster grandparents to hear Vitale

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Foster grandparents will hear a nationally known speaker at Friday's Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

Paul Vitale, a native of Russellville and author of several bestselling motivational books, will speak at 11:30 a.m. on Friday at First Baptist Church.

Presenting "Enthusiasm: Your Secret Weapon" Vitale will challenge those in attendance to continue embracing genuine enthusiasm for everyday life.

"It is a privilege to have the opportunity to speak to the volunteers working within the Foster Grandparent Program," Vitale said. "As they positively impact the lives of Arkansas children all across the state, these selfless individuals have the opportunity day in and day out to make each moment of their lives and the lives of the children they serve count for something special."

The Foster Grandparent Program is an inter-generational volunteer program that provides valuable aid to children and youth with special and exceptional needs.

The Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities' Foster Grandparent Program is one of seven such programs in the state of Arkansas.

Currently they serve in 43 volunteer stations with 95 senior volunteers assisting in public schools, head start, day care centers, libraries, and developmental centers.

Through this partnership, the lives of 1,079 Arkansas children and adults have been enhanced, for 79,606 hours of service for Arkansas children.

