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Food for Thought A Newsletter for Volunteers

Drive-Through Pantry a Success!

With the help of many of our volunteers, we successfully moved pantry operations to a 'drive-thru' model for the week of July 14. This was during the St. Peter's parking lot repaving project. Thank you to all who helped make this happen.

Special thanks to the groups and businesses who loaned equipment and services, especially the owners of the old Peiffer Auto building.

We also want to thank the volunteers who made the 'normal' pantry location

run without a hitch, and to our pickup people and delivery drivers who adapted to a slightly different way to access the building. All of the clients who came through were very appreciative that we didn't close that week.



Mobile Delivery for Lakeside Foods Workers

On July 24th, we completed our first of three mobile deliveries to the migrant work camp at Lakeside Foods in Belgium, WI. We delivered 63 boxes filled with shelf stable foods, meat, and bakery. Special thanks to Joyce & Scott Brost for ordering and delivering food to the packing location, with the help of

Lorraine Halls. Terry Morgan for acquiring all of the boxes, Portview Church for packing boxes, and 1st Congregational Church for the staging area. Last but not least, thanks to the crew that packed 4 vehicles and delivered the food: Lorraine Halls and her grandson, Trish

Poull, Jim Langford and his grandson, and Kristin Kobylinski, who provided much appreciated translation services.

Our next dates are 9/18/2024 and 10/30/2024.

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August Birthdays:

- Shirley Groothusen 8/4
- Kathryn Wiskow 8/7
- Ruth Ann Dibert 8/17
- Ralph Schmidt 8/28
- Barbara Frank 8/31

Building Update & Board Notes

- We continue our active search for a larger, ADA compliant property.



Food Drives, Fundraisers & Events

- [Eclectic Avenue LLC - Port Washington, WI](#) will be collecting monetary donations to benefit the Food Pantry, Inc. during the month of August. They will also have really sweet Bee bracelets for a minimum \$1 donation. Stop in during the month of August if you're able!
- [Moonlight Tavern](#) has partnered with Surly Brewing to bring a new house beer on tap: Anchor Point Lager. They will be donating \$1 from every beer sold to [The Food Pantry, Inc.](#) for the rest of the year!
- [Moonlight Tavern](#) will be hosting a Dine to Donate on Wednesday, August 21st.
- [The Steerage Dining Saloon](#) \$1 from featured gin specials will be donated to [The Food Pantry, Inc.](#)
- [The Food Pantry Inc presents: "Small Bites, Big Hearts". a lively evening of tapas and fundraising! Tickets, Sat, Aug 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Pantry Collaborations

- Thanks to Ozaukee Food Alliance for their donation of 147 jars of peanut butter. This is being used for our Lakeside mobile food deliveries.
- Thanks to Family Sharing for their donation of 3 pallets of food. This came at just the right time as we were restocking our shelves.

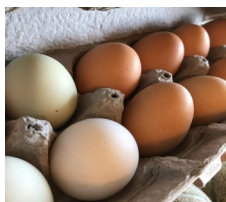


- We have been sending regular donations of food and other items to the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Ozaukee County.

Volunteer Spotlight

Jim Scarpaci: Whenever help is needed regarding the pantry, Jim is always there ready to assist. Jim manages and maintains our food inventory, helps with food deliveries, delivers barrels to various locations, helps sort the Costco food delivery and picks up at some of those locations.. He also shares the pantry phone duty, assisting people in need and others with questions. Unfortunately Jim will be leaving us in a few short months, and he will be missed tremendously!

Patty VanderHeiden: Patty’s usual station is at the protein table, handing out meat, eggs, and other items to our clients on a weekly basis. What you may not know is that she also ensures we have an abundant supply of fresh eggs each week. She is always shopping the best price for eggs, and delivers a whopping 50+ dozen per week to the pantry.



Sue Kruske: Sue is one of our newer volunteers who works in the produce area., She speaks some Spanish and is able to help our non-English speaking clients select their food. Sue is also a retired veterinarian who loves to travel. She is a recently published author who has a children’s book titled ‘Niles the Cat’. Ask her about it next time you see her!

Notes & Suggestions

- Please get your raffle tickets back to the pantry by August 10th. The winner will be drawn at the Small Bites, Big Hearts’ event.



In Appreciation

Thanks to:

- The businesses and individuals who loaned items for our temporary pantry the week of July 14th.
- The volunteers who actively participated in the Belgium work camp distribution.
- The ‘Friday Crew’ that helps sort the weekly Costco order.



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**Working together to alleviate hunger in
our community by acquiring and
distributing food to those who seek aid.**

Our History

Serving all of Ozaukee County residents, as well as Random Lake in Southern Sheboygan County. We distribute to all faiths and are blessed for the donated space in the Saint John XXIII rectory basement since 1982.

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