



Des Moines Area Religious Council RED BARREL NEWSLETTER

MARCH, 2011

RECOGNIZING VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT

April is the observance of National Volunteer Week (April 10 – 16), when it is appropriate to both encourage and recognize the contributions of volunteers in the work we do. Iowa is a state of volunteers. In fact, Iowa ranks second in the nation. Over 38% of Iowans do volunteer work.

The enthusiasm and commitment of Iowans who volunteer is evident in support of the DMARC Food Pantry Network. Through corporate workplace teams, congregations, civic groups and individuals, volunteers contribute more than 28,000 service hours annually through the pantry warehouse, Red Barrel program, food drives and pantry sites, or about \$500,000 of in-kind volunteer assistance.

Today and everyday, thanks to all who volunteer on behalf of the DMARC Food Pantry Network!

The Scope of Hunger in Des Moines

- In Polk County, about 1 in 5 children and 1 in 6 adults are food insecure – meaning they are hungry and/or do not know with confidence that they will have enough to eat.
- Each year, 4,500-5,000 families request emergency food assistance for the first time.

More information on this important topic is available by visiting MovetheFood.org and clicking on Resources/Links.

2011 Feinstein Challenge - \$1 Million Giveaway to Fight Hunger

Each year the DMARC Food Pantry participates in the Feinstein Challenge. The Feinstein grant is distributed to all eligible organizations proportionally based on cash and food pledges and donations received between March 1 and April 30th. Each gift or pledge received will help boost DMARC's portion of the Feinstein Grant. In 2010, the Feinstein Challenge resulted in over \$110,000 in donations, or the equivalent of 82,500 meals, designated for the DMARC Food Pantry Network.

Kiwanis One Day

On Saturday, April 2nd, Kiwanis Clubs from around the world will join in a day of service known as Kiwanis One Day. Three local Kiwanis Clubs will be dedicating their one day of service to the food pantry by sponsoring Sack Saturdays. Members of the Ankeny, Downtown and West Des Moines Kiwanis Clubs will be in stores asking shoppers to purchase the most needed food items or make cash contributions.

DMARC Emergency Food Pantry

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Executive Director:

Rev. Sarai Schnucker Rice

Food Pantry Director:

Elisabeth Ballstadt

Red Barrel Coordinator:

Cindy Morton

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RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY, 2011 = 9,102

Rank	Store	Address	# Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	884	Kenny Kane	Ron Stoen
2	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll	785	Jeff Hudson	Downtown Kiwanis
3	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	784	Mark Pearson	West Side Kiwanis
4	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st, WDM	628	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
5	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd.	584	Wes Snook	Katie Vacek
6	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	528	Jim Carney	John Young
7	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	505	Jamie Stephens	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
8	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	494	Andy Streit	Chris Burch
9	Dahl's	1819 Beaver	454	Jim Hubbartt	Golden K Kiwanis
10	Hy-Vee	7101 University	365	Randy Kruse	Chris Burch
11	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	329	Joe McDonald	John Young
12	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	293	Mike Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
13	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	264	Kevin Helm	Jack Kiburz
14	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	238	John Cramer	Larry Hamlin
15	Dahl's	8700 Hickman	193	Pat Childress	Liz Coffman
16	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	180	Dave Eisentrager	Amy Tournier
17	Dahl's	1802 N. Ankeny Blvd.	159	Dave Wilson	Amy Tournier
18	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	124	Collin Venenga	West Side Kiwanis
19	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas	95	Josh Asche	Larry Hamlin
20	Fareway	100 E. Euclid	83	Tom Ross	Link Associates
21	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK	77	Brian Hixon	Cindy Morton
22	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	58	Ryan Roberts	Cindy Morton
23	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	46	Rod Burns	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
24	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid	46	Jim Martin	Link Associates
25	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd	34	Lyle Ellenwood	Link Associates
26	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	30	Doug Haugland	Katie Vacek
27	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	13	Wil Golberg	Cindy Morton
28	Hy-Vee Drug	4100 University, DM	7	Tim Potts	Chris Burch
29	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordon Creek, WDM	6	Greg Hull	Jack Kiburz
30	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	5	Kevin McCormick	West Side Kiwanis

Damaged items for February, 2011 = 811

129 Hy-Vee, East Euclid
 581 Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek
 101 Fareway, East Euclid

Mike Kueney, Store Director
 Greg Hull, Store Director
 Tom Ross, Store Director

Link Associates
 Jack Kiburz
 Link Associates

Five Year History of Red Barrel Collections

Month	2007	2008*	2009	2010	2011	Cash
Jan.	9,662	9,123	11,091	8,892	7,848	\$95.00
Feb	9,832	7,760	10,719	9,015	9,102	\$1,850.36
March	11,930	10,048	11,666	10,637		
April	10,353	9,552	12,649	8,866		
May	9,054	7,869	9,542	7,015		
June	9,933	9,214	10,026	11,009		
July	9,063	7,070	8,073	9,172		
Aug	8,054	8,310	8,471	8,779		
Sept	6,979	8,355	8,625	7,740		
Oct	19,995	14,506	13,106	12,589		
Nov	16,604	17,338	14,000	11,586		
Dec	13,135	15,275	11,961	12,933		2
TOTAL	134,594	124,420	129,929	117,802		

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