



# Des Moines Area Religious Council RED BARREL NEWSLETTER

MAY, 2011

## ***MovetheFood***

*MovetheFood* is a DMRAC-led initiative to address the entire food system in Greater Des Moines, building on more than 35 years of food assistance work, catalyzing fresh generations, and engaging new constituencies to further support a vision for a day when everyone in Polk County has enough to eat. Learn what is going on in the pantry network by visiting our new website at [www.MovetheFood.org](http://www.MovetheFood.org).

One new component of the *MovetheFood* website is the Interactive Food Resource Map for Polk County which is now live online. View this dynamic, web-based map of more than 2,200 food resource data points to find food outlets near your home, workplace, or school, including DMARC neighborhood pantry sites, grocers, farmers markets, community meal sites, and more. Funded in part by Healthy Polk 2020, The Wellmark Foundation and Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines, this resource is an outcome of the DMARC-led project, Mapping an End to Hunger in Greater Des Moines. To access the map, go to, [www.MovetheFood.org/resourcemap](http://www.MovetheFood.org/resourcemap).

In addition to the map, the *MovetheFood* initiative is so much more. Every month *MovetheFood* transports almost 125,000 food items – and nearly 17,000 pounds of fresh produce – from its main warehouse to a 12-site DMARC Food Pantry Network, and other human service agencies. Why? Because 20 percent of children in Polk County live in households without enough food. Because 29,000 residents of Polk County live below the poverty line. Because countless community stakeholders – businesses, faith groups, schools, civic teams, students, social agencies, individuals and more – care.

Our sympathy to the family of Red Barrel volunteer Red Cronin. Red passed away on Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. For many years Red faithfully cared for the red barrel located at the Hy-Vee on Grand Avenue and Railroad in West Des Moines.

## **Green Bean Update**

To our Store Directors: Thanks to everyone who varied the content of the Hunger Sacks by replacing green beans with other veggies in water (such as peas, corn, black beans, navy beans, etc.). We still receive an abundance of green beans coming in from other sources, so it is nice to have other vegetables to vary the contents of the food boxes that are received by pantry customers. We appreciate receiving one pound bags of rice if they are available (brown rice would be great!). When rice in one pound bags is not available, please continue to substitute boxes of pasta. In keeping with our goal of providing healthy foods, we prefer no pork and beans.

Thanks to all who take the time to make the Hunger Sacks and keep the racks well supplied!

## **Valuing Human Services in Central Iowa**

38 human service agencies employ:

- 2,435 workers who join with
- 20,500 volunteers to assist
- 220,000 low-income consumers, providing
- \$126.1 million in service and economic value to central Iowa each year.



**DMARC Emergency Food Pantry**  
3816 36<sup>th</sup> Street, DM, 50310  
515-277-6969  
**Executive Director:**  
Rev. Sarai Schnucker Rice  
**Food Pantry Director:**  
Elisabeth Ballstadt  
**Red Barrel Coordinator:**  
Cindy Morton  
277-6969 or 238-4593

# RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL, 2011 = 10,965

Rank	Store	Address	# Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd.	1441	Wes Snook	Katie Vacek
2	Hy-Vee	7101 University	1393	Randy Kruse	Chris Burch
3	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll	709	Jeff Hudson	Downtown Kiwanis
4	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	666	Kenny Kane	Ron Stoen
5	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	581	Mark Pearson	West Side Kiwanis
6	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	438	Andy Streit	Chris Burch
7	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	412	Kevin Helm	Jack Kiburz
8	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	369	Joe McDonald	John Young
9	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st, WDM	334	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
10	Dahl's	1819 Beaver	326	Jim Hubbartt	Golden K Kiwanis
11	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	243	Jamie Stephens	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
12	Dahl's	1802 N. Ankeny Blvd.	197	Dave Wilson	Amy Tournier
27	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	188	Kevin McCormick	West Side Kiwanis
13	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas	175	Josh Asche	Larry Hamlin
14	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK	168	Brian Hixon	Cindy Morton
15	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	158	John Cramer	Larry Hamlin
16	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd	149	Lyle Ellenwood	Link Associates
17	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	143	Collin Venenga	West Side Kiwanis
18	Dahl's	8700 Hickman	131	Pat Childress	Liz Coffman
19	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	125	Mike Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
20	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid	112	Jim Martin	Link Associates
21	Fareway	100 E. Euclid	107	Tom Ross	Link Associates
22	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	106	Ryan Roberts	Cindy Morton
23	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordan Creek, WDM	102	Greg Hull	Jack Kiburz
24	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	61	Jim Carney	John Young
25	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	41	Wil Golberg	Cindy Morton
26	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	38	Rod Burns	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
28	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	23	Doug Haugland	Katie Vacek
29	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	8	Dave Eisentrager	Amy Tournier
30	Hy-Vee Drug	4100 University, DM	3	Tim Potts	Chris Burch

Damaged items for April, 2011 = 2066

236 Hy-Vee, East Euclid	Mike Kueney, Store Director	Link Associates
441 Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek	Greg Hull, Store Director	Jack Kiburz
1389 Fareway, East Euclid	Tom Ross, Store Director	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	9,398	\$602.99
April	10,353	9,552	12,649	8,866	10,837	\$1,630.34
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		
TOTAL	134,594	124,420	129,929	117,802		

## HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN APRIL = 921

Top Ten Stores Hunger Sack Sales:

- 223 – Hy-Vee, Windsor Heights
- 122 – Hy-Vee, Ankeny
- 99 – Dahl's, Ingersoll
- 91 – Dahl's, E.P. True, WDM
- 55 – Dahl's, Merle Hay
- 43 – Dahl's, Johnston
- 39 – Hy-Vee, Fleur Drive
- 38 – Hy-Vee, S. 51<sup>st</sup>, WDM
- 36 – Hy-Vee, Grand Ave., WDM
- 35 – Dahl's, Beaver Ave.