



Des Moines Area Religious Council RED BARREL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER, 2011

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAYS – 2011 4,653 Food Items and \$3,836.68 Cash Contributions

Congratulations to all of the stores and volunteers who participated in Make A Difference Days 2011. This year's efforts resulted in the collection of **4,653** food items and **\$3,836.68**. A total of 18 Sack Saturdays and 1 Sack Sunday were held throughout the Des Moines Metro area beginning October 8th and running on most weekends through Sunday, November 13. The food items collected were packaged and sent to the food pantries shortly after they arrived in the warehouse. The cash collected is used to buy needed food items.

Without the generous help and patience of the Dahlen, Hy-Vee and Fareway stores in our community, this event would not take place. Thanks to all the stores and their employees who hosted events.

The volunteers, many who come back year after year to work at this event, are the front-line salespersons encouraging shoppers to purchase items and donate money for the 12 pantries in the DMARC Food Pantry Network. We were pleased also to welcome new groups of volunteers this year. Thanks to the following groups and individuals who made a difference:

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Youth Group
St. Francis of Assisi School Students
Wakonda Christian Church
Covenant Christian Church
Hamilton Funeral Home
Emma Hodson
Jan Sime
House of Mercy
North High School Students
Cheryl and Michael Christie
Taylor O'Brien
Cheryl Long

First Baptist Church
Dowling Catholic High School Students
Mosaic Staff and Clients
Elders of the Church of Later Day Saints
Michelle Millang
Jim Baehr
Westside Kiwanis Club
St. James Lutheran Church
Community! Youth Concepts
Brendan Comito
Ankeny Daisy Scouts
West Des Moines Kiwanis Club

Finally, thanks to the generous shoppers who gave both food and money during these events. It is their generosity that ultimately makes things happen. They indeed did make a difference in their community!

Thanks to the members of the Ankeny Kiwanis Club who sponsored a Sack Sunday event on November 20th at the Dahlen and Hy-Vee Stores in Ankeny. With encouragement from the Kiwanis Club members, the generous customers of these stores contributed 1,203 food items and \$635.00 in cash.

COMMUNITY NEED

DMARC food pantry requests are up 7% over last year, even as the food pantry warehouse is being filled and emptied to the walls about twice each week. At present, this translates to providing the equivalent of up to 30,000 meals for as many as 2,000 people each week.



DMARC Emergency Food Pantry

3816 36th 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 OCTOBER, 2011 = 13,112

Rank	Store	Address	# Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	1498	Mark Pearson	West Side Kiwanis
2	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll	1222	Jeff Hudson	Downtown Kiwanis
3	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordon Creek, WDM	935	Gregg Hull	Jack Kiburz
4	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	917	Kenny Kane	Ron Stoen
5	Dahl's	1819 Beaver	807	Dave Wilson	Golden K Kiwanis
6	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd.	783	Wes Snook	Katie Vacek
7	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	529	Joe McDonald	John Young
8	Hy-Vee	2450 E. Euclid	440	Mike Kueney	Link Associates
9	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st, WDM	428	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
10	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	412	Mike Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
11	Hy-Vee	7101 University	378	Matt Heldenbrand	Chris Burch
12	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	350	Andy Streit	Chris Burch
13	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	327	John Cramer	Larry Hamlin
14	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas	320	Josh Asche	Larry Hamlin
15	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	314	Jamie Stephens	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
16	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	299	Wil Golberg	Cindy Morton/Paul Benson
17	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	286	Kevin Helm	Jack Kiburz
18	Fareway	100 E. Euclid	243	Nick Greiner	Link Associates
19	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	231	Collin Venenga	West Side Kiwanis
20	Dahl's	8700 Hickman	204	Pat Childress	Liz Coffman
21	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd	180	Lyle Ellenwood	Link Associates
22	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	168	Rod Burns	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
23	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	110	Jim Carney	John Young
24	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid	106	Jim Martin	Link Associates
25	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	102	Doug Haugland	Katie Vacek
26	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	80	Kevin McCormick	West Side Kiwanis
27	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	77	Ryan Roberts	Cindy Morton/Paul Benson
28	Dahl's	1802 N. Ankeny Blvd.	65	Paul Johnson	Amy Tournier
29	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK	27	Brian Hixon	Cindy Morton/Paul Benson
30	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	16	Dave Eisentrager	Amy Tournier

Damaged items for October 2011 = 1,258

442 Hy-Vee, East Euclid
 772 Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek
 44 Fareway, East Euclid

Mike Kueney, Store Director
 Gregg Hull, Store Director
 Nick Greiner, 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	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	9,580	\$385.45
June	9,933	9,214	10,026	11,009	7,334	\$858.82
July	9,063	7,070	8,073	9,172	7,970	\$823.41
Aug	8,054	8,310	8,471	8,779	8,848	\$395.49
Sept	6,979	8,355	8,625	7,740	8,419	\$384.28
Oct	19,995	14,506	13,106	12,589	13,112	\$4,954.05
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		

HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN OCT. = 1,068

Top Ten Stores Hunger Sack Sales:

- 137 – Dahl's, E.P. True, WDM
- 124 – Hy-Vee, Ankeny
- 115 – Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek, WDM
- 112 – Dahl's, Merle Hay
- 79 – Dahl's, Beaver Ave.
- 63 - Dahl's, Johnston
- 51 – Hy-Vee, Euclid
- 47 – Hy-Vee, S. 51^{st.}, WDM
- 34 – Hy-Vee, Windsor Heights
- 33 – Hy-Vee, Fleur Drive.