

Pantry Happenings Newsletter

To engage our community in feeding and clothing our neighbors

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One learns people through the heart, not the eyes or the intellect.

Mark Twain

Bread Change

The Wonderbread store is moving to Iowa City. They may still be willing to donate, but we will not know for a couple of months. In the meantime, we may be a little short on bread. Please ask families to take only one load of bread (no limit on rolls or sweets). Also, if anyone has contacts at our local stores and would like to ask them to donate, please let Judy M. know.

Time Sheets

Please remember to record the hours you work for the pantry on the Volunteer Time Sheet in the Volunteer cabinet. Also, please print your names. We know you all have great penmanship, but signatures can be a real challenge for those entering the hours.

We Have a Phone!

The pantry now has a phone of its own. The number is 626-2711. We have decided to go with voice mail, so that we can check it daily from other places. If you happen to answer the phone while you are there, please take a message, and let Judy M. know the same day. Volunteers are welcome to make local calls (this includes Cedar Rapids and Iowa City). Families who come to the pantry can make short local calls if needed.

Congratulations to Lucy!

Lucy's former employer, JC Penney, contributes to organizations where their employees (and retired employees) volunteer. Lucy contributed over 250 hours in the last year, and the pantry received a check for \$250 this week.

New Freezer Coming

We are finally going to get the new freezer in the next couple of weeks (as soon as the electrical line is in). It will be a commercial freezer with more than twice the space of the current one. We will be creating signs to indicate what items we have available and which shelf they are on. Please encourage families to choose items before they open the freezer in order to save energy.

Up-coming Meetings/Trainings

11/08/06 – (6:30 pm) Administration Team Meeting
11/13/06 – (7:00 pm) Volunteer Support Team Meeting
11/18/06 – (8:45 pm – 12:00 pm) Board Retreat
11/21/06 – (7:00 pm) Connections Team Meeting
11/--/06 – (AM) **In-Service Training – Review of Other Pantries**
12/05/06 – (6:30 pm) New Volunteer Pantry Orientation
12/07/06 – (6:00 pm) Operations Team Meeting

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