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Events

St. Joseph Food Program will be raising money for the Milk Program while also celebrating June Dairy Month. Milk makes up the largest budgeted food item for St. Joe'. The goal is to raise \$15,000 (10% of the milk budget.) Lamers Dairy will be helping out this fundraising effort by offering soft serve ice cream cones for 25 cents everyday in June from their Appleton



Store. All money raised from the sale of the ice cream cones will go to St. Joe's "Need Milk!" campaign.

June Dairy month is a perfect opportunity to promote the nutritional benefits of milk to our client families and dovetails well with our CHAMP program. Volunteers will be providing fun and educational activities throughout the month of June during program hours; these activities include sampling of various dairy products, recipes that are dairy dominate and a Milk Moustache photo event!

Other Upcoming Events

Postal Carriers Food Drive (pg. 2)

Saturday, May 14

Timber Rattlers Hi-Five Club Event (pg. 1)

Friday, May 20 • 6:30 pm

Planting Week at St. Joe's (pg. 1)

May 23 - 27 • 9:30 - 11:30 am



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Planting Week at St. Joe's

As part of our continued effort to improve the quality of life for our clients at St. Joe's, we

will be holding a week long

program open to all clients of St. Joe's and Salvation Army. May 23rd - May 27th during program hours of 9:30am - 11:30am. During this planting week Master Gardeners will be available to answer gardening questions. Families will be offered a gardening pot and seeds to jump start their very own garden; but more importantly these families will have an opportunity to learn skills to help improve their own food security. "It will be a fun activity for the children as they can watch the vegetables grow throughout the summer months and ultimately see the fruits of their labour!" Said Lynn Stiff, Volunteer Nutritionist for St. Joseph Food Program.

Gardening Volunteers Needed...

If you are an experienced gardener and would like to help plant and maintain the garden at the Timber Rattler Stadium grounds, we want you! Call 734-9461 or e-mail karensjfp@sbcglobal.net

Give Us Your Hi-Five!

Find us on Facebook

We're looking for pictures of YOU, supporters of St. Joseph Food Program exchanging a Hi-Five with someone else! We would love to have you "like" us and then post your

Hi-Five on Facebook or email your photo to us and we'll get in on the website!

More casual than a handshake...

The Hi-Five Club is for those who want to feel connected to our community and to a program that helps over 11,000



St. Joseph Food Program, Inc.

individuals each year with their food needs!

Not a member of Hi-Five Club?! Go to our website at www.stjoesfoodprogram.org and sign up! It's easy! Click on "Here's My Hi-Five!" Once we receive your membership, we will notify you. Thank you for your support

Join the Timber Rattlers on May 20th as They Give St. Joe's a Hi-Five!

On Friday, May 20th the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers will lend their support to the Hi-Five Club! Be a fan in the stand and get your Hi-Five exchange on camera! Join a Club that connects the community to an organization that feeds over 11,000 individuals each year!

Play ball with St. Joe's and the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers on Friday, May 20th at 6:30!

Planting a Garden For The Summer?



Keep St. Joseph Food Program in mind and Grow a Row for St. Joe's!

This program is designed to get our community involved in donating fresh produce from your garden to our clients. From a nutritional stand point we feel it is important to provide a variety of fresh produce as part of our weekly food distribution. We invite individual gardeners, area business and community groups to join the fun! Current community gardening partners include: Lawrence University, The Timber

Rattlers, Appleton North High School, Affinity Medical on Midway Rd. and Time Warner Cable. Portions of their harvest will come to St.Joe's this summer!

Donation hours are Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. If you would like St. Joe's to pick up your produce donation please phone our office at 920/734-9461 to schedule a pick up.

Board Retirements & New Board Members

St. Joseph Food Program said good-bye to retiring board members and welcomes new...

After 33 years of combined service, Cheryl Cheslock and Lo Lee announced their retirement from the St. Joseph Food Program's Board of Directors effective December 31, 2010. Both Cheryl and Lo Lee have been valued members of the board. Cheryl served for 13 years and had been the Hi-Five coordinator, taking over for her late husband Joe Cheslock. Lo Lee served 20 yea

late husband Joe Cheslock. Lo Lee served 20 years on the board and had been the liaison to the Hmong community.

Joining the board in 2011 is newly elected members Michael Meuli and Carol Burns.



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Michael Meuli has been an active volunteer for St. Joe's for the past several years, serving as an interviewer and on the Operations and Marketing Committees. He has made a significant impact in several areas of operation and will continue to be an asset to the board.

Carol Burns is the founder and Director of Loaves and Fishes. Carol has a passion for feeding the hungry. "... The needs of the poor are a daily reality here in the valley. I feel a moral responsibility and obligation to care of those in need and make their burden a bit lighter." said Carol.

The Board of Directors, Staff and volunteers welcome Carol and Michael as we move forward in our mission of fighting hunger and sustaining hope.



Board members left to right: Mark Farrell, Lou Blasczyk, Jim Hyde, Doug Sachs, Tom O'Hearn, Cheryl Cheslock, Mike Dejno, Steve Borden, Dennis Simon.

Postal Carriers Food Drive Saturday, May 14



Don't forget to place your non-perishable food donations out by your mailbox on

Saturday, May 14th

for the annual Postal Carriers Food Drive.

Your generous donations benefit St. Joseph Food Program.



Pork & Beans

Dried Beans & Rice

Thank you for your generous donation!

2011 Board of Directors and Staff

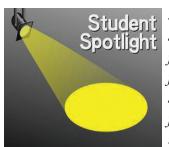
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...St. Joseph Food Program commends all students in our community who join us in the effort to provide food to families who are struggling financially and find it difficult to provide basic food needs for their families. Featured in this newsletter are two different

groups of students and what they're doing to help out...

Appleton North students, Becca Jackson and Nick Wolf came up with a program, Food For Thought, to alleviate the problem of school aged children going home on Friday without enough food to get through the weekend.

Food for Thought sends bags of food home every Friday to

24 families of students attending

Food for

Food for Thought

in the Appleton School district. St. Joseph Food Program provides fresh fruit, a main dish boxed item, canned items, and a snack item for all 24 families.

"This is the first year for the program and it will run until the last day of the academic school year. The program was initially created because we saw a need in the schools, and there was not a program like it in the area." Said Becca Jackson, program co-founder.

Visit Food for Thought on Facebook!

Student Architectural Competition Benefits St. Joseph Food Program

Nearly 40 high school students interested in architecture got together to plan projects they designed out of donated canned and boxed food. This program not only tested the students' creativity but benefited St. Joe's...After the competition the finished projects were donated to us! Congratulations to



Winning Team: CAN (Construction and Nonsense). Student team members from Appleton North High School include: Ben Anholzer, Drake Bortolameolli, Austin Coppock, Laura Dalye and Marilia Giuste

the students involved and a big thank you to Greg Douglas of Miron Construction who donated his time and led the 40 students to a win/win for our community!

If you would like to see more on this event log onto http://www.flickr.com/photos/mironconstruction/5537143809/

Did You Know About Our Outreach?

Designed to help the community, St. Joseph Food Program assists other agencies and organizations in the Fox Valley with their weekly food needs; this includes milk, fresh produce, canned food items and staple items.

Agencies we currently assist:

Black Creek TAFFE (backpacks) – 20 individuals
Christine Ann Center – about 35 individuals
Food for Thought (backpacks) – 24 individuals
Fox Valley Warming Shelter – 40-50 individuals
Harbor House – up to 50 individuals
Hortonville Community Pantry – about 175 individuals
Loaves and Fishes – about 100 individuals
Menasha Joint School District – 20 individuals
Ruby's Pantry – about 150 individuals

I would like to express my appreciation for St. Joseph Food Program. There would be many times that we would not have had bread for our participants if it were not for St. Joe's. By partnering St. Joe's we are better able to serve our families and we are also able to bless St. Joe's with some items that we occasionally have in abundance. The people at St. Joe's have been very accommodating to us and it is a pleasure to deal with all of you. God bless you as you continue to bless others.

~ John Roe, Ruby's Pantry

The generosity of St. Joe's has allowed us to provide back packs for 15-18 families a week. The families have repeatedly thanked us for providing them with the items that have helped their families survive through the winter. The comment that continues to replay in my mind was from that of a Middle School boy who was provided a back pack for the weekend-"look Mrs. Pautz I got a backpack for the weekend and now we will have enough to eat"-this same child thanked us repeatedly for his backpack. Thank you again for all of your help and making a big difference in our school and community.

~ Sue Kaphingst, Principal, Black Creek Elementary/Middle School

St. Josephs Food Pantry has been the most wonderful sponsor for our program. I really appreciate the generosity of the pantry. Because of this opportunity many children and families will be able to eat over the weekend. Thank you so much for the support!

~ Rebecca Jackson, Coordinator Founder of Food for Thought

Individuals that come into the COTS, Inc. program arrive with little more than the shirt on their back. The act of grace performed through the efforts of the St. Joe's pantry is more than nourishing the physical self. We feel a community embrace every time we fill our vehicle with our weekly allotment of food supplied by pantry tenders. Because of the support we receive from the food pantry, we can say to the residents of COTS, 'everything you need is here today, focus on your goals, relax and know that you are safe'.

~ Laura Erickson, Development Specialist COTS, Inc.