

# Donor Spotlight

## THE COMMUNITY OF WAUKESHA TRULY SUPPORTS ITS NEIGHBORS.

This is only a partial list of recent donors.

- Ascension Lutheran Church
- Associated Bank-Waukesha
- Blue Cross Blue Shield – Pewaukee Office
- Brookfield Congregational Church of Christ
- Church of the Resurrection
- Christ the Servant Lutheran Church
- Delafield Presbyterian Church
- Evangelical & Reformed United Church of Christ
- Elm Brook Hospital Family Practice – Residency Program
- Enercon Industries Corporation
- First Congregational Church UCC
- Good Harvest Market
- North Prairie United Methodist Church
- O’Leary’s Dentistry
- Oxygen One, Inc.
- Reformation Lutheran Church – Brookfield
- Saint Dominic’s Parish
- Saint Edmund’s Episcopal Church
- Saint Luke’s Church
- Salem Church
- Smith Medical
- Valtek, Inc.
- Vernon Presbyterian Church
- Wal-Mart Sales Associates – Delafield
- Wal-Mart – Waukesha
- Ward Law Firm
- Waukesha Evening Lions Club



Theresa Barnadt with the Cross of Life Church donation of specially ordered food.

## GIFTS OF THE (PAST) SEASON

Tim Probst and Freezin for Hunger raised \$8,550.00 (with pledges still coming in) and over 4 tons of food to benefit The Food Pantry! A big thanks to Tim, the Waukesha Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (WCPAAA), and all his supporters! ...Bob Larson spearheaded a pioneer fundraising effort at First Weber Group Realtors with a mailing and silent auction generating more than \$1,800.00 with the aid of their corporate matching gift program... The annual Tree Lighting at The Red Circle Inn generated \$1,780 on a blustery winter evening... Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Drive, coordinated in the subdivisions of Tall Grass, Rolling Ridge and Meadowbrook produced \$3,721.00 and 9 full pallets of donated food... Dawn Smith-Lewis’ event staged at Good Harvest Market produced \$2,000.00... Smart Chicken producers make contributions to local food pantries based on the amount of Smart Chicken sold in a sales region. Thanks to the Waukesha community, this year’s donation of 1,800 pounds of chicken was a 1000 pound increase over last year’s contribution. Our thanks go out to Smart Chicken for our clients really appreciate the chicken! ... The Bruce Pritzlaff family donated more than 50 hams to ensure a traditional holiday meal for our clients and their families. ....The Kohl’s Menomonee Falls Distribution Center did it again! After learning of The Pantry’s continuous need for cereal, the staff coordinated a competitive cereal drive by dividing themselves into three teams, aptly named Snap, Crackle & Pop. In just ten days, the staff amassed 1,000 pounds of cereal!



Brian Hartzel posing with milk bottles at Kohl’s Cereal Drive.

## PUT YOUR PASSION INTO ACTION! APRIL IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

What would be the best way to encourage everyday citizens to put their passion into action, to realize their full potential as a volunteer, and to recognize those who already dedicate their free time to improving the lives of others? By designating April as National Volunteer Month, that’s how! Is that not a heartwarming idea? The three key goals of National Volunteer Month are:

- To show that volunteering is good for the heart and soul, and how it can positively impact lives and improves communities.
- To engage citizens in volunteer activities. Mentoring and tutoring are just two of the many ways to become involved.
- To persuade businesses that promoting volunteerism shows their employees and customers that they have a heart and support their communities.

This year, the nation is once again celebrating the spirit of volunteerism and its value to communities, to businesses, and to individuals who choose to volunteer.

## WISCONSIN SCORES HIGH IN VOLUNTEER STATS

On average, Wisconsin’s 1.5 million volunteers dedicated 164.9 million hours of service per year (between 2005 and 2007). The estimated economic contribution of the volunteer hours served is \$3.2 billion annually. \*\*

Wisconsin’s population is ranked #18 in the nation\*, yet our state’s rating for volunteerism is ranked at #10! \*\*

Since 2002, Wisconsin residents have been ranked a minimum of 5-10 percentage points higher than the national average for volunteerism. \*\*

Where do people in Wisconsin volunteer? #1 is Religious activities at 30.4%; #2 is Educational activities at 27.2%; and #3 is Social Services activities at 17.8%. \*\*

What are the main activities for Wisconsin volunteers? Fundraising activities at 29.3%; Collect & Distribute Food at 24.3% and General Labor at 22.2%

\*US Census Department

\*\*Corporation for National Community Service



(upper) Pantry line volunteers Sheri and Rosie; (middle) Volunteers from Brookfield Central High School Key Club with the results of their drive; (lower) Effervescent volunteers Marie, Marlene and Jan