



Des Moines Area Religious Council RED BARREL NEWSLETTER

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KIWANIS ONE DAY

Each year, Kiwanis clubs from around the world participate in an international day of service. This year, Kiwanis International chose April 21st as Kiwanis One Day.

Locally, volunteer events were held on two weekends this year. The Ankeny Kiwanis club held their events a week early on Saturday, April 14th at both the Dahl's and Hy-Vee on Ankeny Boulevard. The rest of the area clubs participated in the international One Day event on Saturday, April 21st setting up at eight different Dahl's and Hy-Vee locations throughout the north and west parts of town.

Volunteers from all the area clubs participated – including Downtown, Golden K, West Des Moines, Northwest, Johnston, Urbandale, and even members from the former Westside club. Collections for both weekends totaled **2,432 food items** and **\$2,192.22 in cash contributions**. (Last year, participating clubs included Ankeny, Downtown, and West Des Moines. Collections for One Day totaled 1,577 food items and \$1,263.81 in cash contributions.)



We also had about 60 Key Club members from the 2012 Nebraska-Iowa District Convention participate in the international One Day event by volunteering at both the DMARC warehouse and at a community garden in Urbandale. About 30 volunteers received and counted food items as they came in from all eight grocery stores. Another 30 participated in an outdoor gardening project next to Urbandale Middle School.

(To the left—students from area Key Clubs sort through donations in the Food Pantry Warehouse.)

GREETINGS FROM THE NEW COORDINATOR

Hello, everyone! I'm John Robinson. I recently stepped into Cindy Morton's position as the new Red Barrel Coordinator for DMARC Emergency Food Pantry Network.

For those of you who don't know me, I've worked for DMARC since last year as a driver and warehouse worker. Elisabeth Ballstadt, the Food Pantry Director, brought me on board in June of 2011. Some of you may have seen me before if you've ever dropped food off at the warehouse. I've spent a good deal of time out there checking and sorting food items as they come in. Now I get to do a lot more of that... and on weekends!

I grew up in Harrisburg, PA and went to Junior High and High School in Atlantic City, NJ before moving to Des Moines in 1993 to attend Drake University (I was a Broadcast major there). I've worked for Best Buy, WHOTV, The Science Center of Iowa, and Cinequipt (a film & television equipment rental company). I'm also a working actor with a long list of stage, film, and industrial credits. When I'm not at DMARC, I'm busy with the Repertory Theater of Iowa as an ensemble player and marketing director.

I'm very much looking forward to working with all of our volunteers and to helping expand the Red Barrel program to serve the needs of our increasingly hungry community!

- John



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RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH, 2012 = 10,876

Rank	Store	Address	Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas	1994	Josh Asche	Larry Hamlin
2	Hy-Vee	7101 University	1133	Matt Heldenbrand	Chris Burch
3	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd.	826	Wes Snook	Link Associates
4	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll	799	Jeff Hudson	Downtown Kiwanis
5	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	629	Kenny Kane	Ron Stoen
6	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	607	Mark Pearson	West Side Kiwanis
7	Dahl's	1819 Beaver	456	Dave Wilson	Golden K Kiwanis
8	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st, WDM	444	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
9	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	389	Jamie Stephens	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
10	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	327	Rod Burns	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
11	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	270	Andy Streit	Chris Burch
12	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	245	John Cramer	Larry Hamlin
13	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	240	Joe McDonald	John Young/Ron Stoen
14	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	199	Tony Taylor	West Side Kiwanis
15	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd	175	Lyle Ellenwood	Link Associates
16	Fareway	100 E. Euclid	172	Nick Greiner	Link Associates
17	Dahl's	8700 Hickman	161	Pat Childress	Liz Coffman
18	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	157	Mike Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
19	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	146	Kevin Helm	Jack Kiburz
20	Dahl's	1802 N. Ankeny Blvd.	137	Paul Johnson	Amy Tournier
21	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	101	Kevin McCormick	West Side Kiwanis
22	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	88	Jim Carney	John Young/Ron Stoen
23	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	63	Doug Haugland	Link Associates
24	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid	58	Jim Martin	Link Associates
25	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	45	Ryan Roberts	Link Associates
26	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	31	Wil Golberg	Link Associates
27	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordon Creek, WDM	28	Gregg Hull	Jack Kiburz
28	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK	23	Brian Hixon	Paul Benson
29	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	13	Dave Eisentrager	Amy Tournier

Damaged items for March, 2012 = 920

240	Hy-Vee, East Euclid	Mike Kueney, Store Director	Link Associates
373	Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek	Gregg Hull, Store Director	Jack Kiburz
307	Fareway, East Euclid	Nick Greiner, Store Director	Link Associates

Five Year History of Red Barrel Collections

Month	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Cash
Jan.	9,123	11,091	8,892	7,848	9,826	\$150.00
Feb	7,760	10,719	9,015	9,102	8,599	\$698.86
March	10,048	11,666	10,637	9,398	10,876	\$735.23
April	9,552	12,649	8,866	10,837		
May	7,869	9,542	7,015	9,580		
June	9,214	10,026	11,009	7,334		
July	7,070	8,073	9,172	7,970		
Aug	8,310	8,471	8,779	8,848		
Sept	8,355	8,625	7,740	8,419		
Oct	14,506	13,106	12,589	13,112		
Nov	17,338	14,000	11,586	14,267		
Dec	15,275	11,961	12,933	18,362		
TOTAL	124,420	129,929	117,802	124,638		

HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN MAR. = 891

Top Ten Stores:

- 190 – Hy-Vee, University WH
- 125 – Hy-Vee, 86th & Douglas
- 78 – Hy-Vee, Ankeny
- 75 – Dahl's, Ingersoll
- 63 – Hy-Vee, S. 51st Street, WDM
- 59 – Dahl's, E.P. True Pkwy WDM
- 59 – Hy-Vee, Fleur Drive
- 52 – Dahl's, Beaver Ave.
- 43 – Dahl's, Merle Hay Road
- 28 – Fareway, Meredith Drive