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‘SICK PUPPIES’ AND ST. LUKE’S AID DMARC



Guitarist/Vocalist Shimon Moore, St. Luke’s Pastor Martha Kester, Bassist Emma Anzai, and Percussionist Mark Goodwin pose for photos.

Des Moines, IA—Australian rock band, Sick Puppies, took time out of their scheduled appearance here in the capital city on Thursday, July 31st to visit St. Luke’s Episcopal Church and to greet fans. The event offered fans the opportunity to take photos with the band in exchange for donating one or two non-perishable food items to the Food Pantry Network. Though the visit only lasted about an hour, the group managed to bring in over 150 food items and over \$400 in monetary donations for the DMARC capital campaign. The stop was arranged by members of the St. Luke’s Huggers group who became aware of the band through the “Free Hugs Campaign.” (Their breakout single *All the Same* was featured as one of the first official songs of the campaign.) The band, which is now based in Los Angeles, CA, is currently on tour around the United States promoting their new album entitled *Connect*.

NEWS FROM THE COORDINATOR’S DESK



Can you believe it’s almost September? At first, the weather fooled everybody into thinking Summer was never going to get here. Now it seems like we’ve arrived at Fall already! Regardless of the weather, we still have at least a couple more months to enjoy the outdoor activities like the downtown Farmer’s Market which runs through October 25th. Our partner program, Meals from the Market, always helps to supplement the dearth of summertime food donations by soliciting fresh produce donations from some of the downtown vendors. In the last three months alone, the program has brought in over 20,000 pounds of fresh produce. In addition to that, we’ve provided interactive and educational programming to kids at the market with our MyPlate Bag-Toss game (see right). The game was designed and built by volunteers from Bidwell Riverside Center and painted by local artist Jimmy Navarro. — JR



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



On Saturday, July 26th, students from the Global Youth Institute participated in a series of service projects including a Sack Saturday food drive for the Food Pantry Network. The event was held at the Hy-Vee on the corner of Fleur & McKinley. The students collected over 130 food items and over \$400 in monetary donations. Other service projects that day included assisting DMARC with an interactive game at the downtown Farmer’s Market and helping the Meals from the Market volunteers by collecting fresh produce from vendors. Each year, more than 100 exceptional high school students from across the United States and other countries are selected to participate in the three-day Global Youth Institute hosted by the World Food Prize Foundation here in Des Moines, IA.

COMING NEXT MONTH:
The 12th Annual
HY-VEE COLOSSAL COOKIE SALE
September 9-22, 2014



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RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR JULY 2014 = 6,757

Rank	Store	Address	Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd., Ankeny	729	Wes Snook	Link Associates
2	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll Ave.	669	Mark Pearson	Downtown Kiwanis
3	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	661	Kevin Helm	Link Associates
4	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	461	Ryan Roberts	John Young/Ron Stoen
5	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	456	Kenny Kane	Ron Stoen
6	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st Street, WDM	414	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
7	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	372	Jamie Stephens	Denny Bradshaw
8	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	246	Store Director	Joni Yeates
9	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	203	Joe McDonald	John Young/Ron Stoen
10	Hy-Vee	7101 University Ave.	190	Matt Heldenbrand	Chris Burch
11	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd Street	180	Justin Martin	Link Associates
12	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	154	Kevin McCormick	Link Associates
13	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	151	Brian Bieker	Link Associates
14	Dahl's	8700 Hickman Rd.	139	Rick Lane	Liz Coffman
15	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	138	Jason Crocker	Denny Bradshaw
16	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas Ave.	126	Drew Holmes	Larry Hamlin
17	Dahl's	1819 Beaver Ave.	106	Tom Day	Golden K Kiwanis
18	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordon Creek, WDM	106	Scott James	Harlan Thomas
19	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	96	Dave Eisentrager	Larry Hamlin
20	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	75	Scott Hornberg	Denny Bradshaw
21	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	70	Kim Cole	Chris Burch
22	Fareway	100 E. Euclid Ave.	36	Nick Greiner	Link Associates
23	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	32	Doug Haugland	Link Associates
24	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid Ave.	21	Ryan Halverson	Link Associates
25	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	12	Rick Beckwith	Amy Tournier
26	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	12	Wil Golberg	Link Associates
27	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK Blvd.	11	Brandon Williams	DMARC Staff
28	Brick St.	114 Brick Street SE, Bondurant	0	Reenie Hogan	Connie Richards
29	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	0	Nate Fehl	Link Associates

HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN JULY = 424

TOP TEN STORES FOR \$6 HUNGER SACKS (6 ITEMS)

79 - Dahl's, 50th & E.P. True
 57 - Hy-Vee, 51st & Mills Civic
 41 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Blvd.
 29 - Hy-Vee, Fleur & McKinley
 26 - Dahl's, Merle Hay Road
 22 - Dahl's, 86th & Hickman
 15 - Fareway, 86th & Meredith
 14 - Dahl's, NW 86th, Johnston
 14 - Dahl's, E 33rd & Hubbell
 12 - Dahl's, 35th & Ingersoll
 12 - Dahl's, Prospect & Grand

TOP THREE STORES FOR \$12 HUNGER SACKS (12 ITEMS)

19 - Dahl's, 35th & Ingersoll
 18 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Blvd.
 10 - Dahl's, Merle Hay Road

DISCARDED ITEMS FOR JULY = 891

Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek
 Scott James, Store Director
 Harlan Thomas

625

Whole Foods, WDSM
 Michael Durr, Store Team Leader
 DMARC Warehouse

168

Fareway, East Euclid
 Nick Greiner, Store Director
 Link Associates

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Hy-Vee, East Euclid
 Mike Kueny, Store Director
 Link Associates

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FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF RED BARREL COLLECTIONS

Month	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Cash
January	8,892	7,848	9,826	11,423	8,080	—
February	9,015	9,102	8,599	8,342	8,162	\$175.86
March	10,637	9,398	10,876	9,339	10,611	\$199.95
April	8,866	10,837	10,540	10,599	11,953	\$2,686.70
May	7,015	9,580	7,707	8,110	9,447	\$956.35
June	11,009	7,334	8,817	7,532	8,176	—
July	9,172	7,970	9,544	9,435	6,757	412.34
August	8,779	8,848	7,620	7,009		
September	7,740	8,419	6,565	8,506		
October	12,589	13,112	9,357	9,108		
November	11,586	14,267	13,157	11,307		
December	12,933	18,362	12,074	13,079		
TOTAL	117,802	124,638	114,682	113,789		