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We've Moved!



As of January 20th, we've begun accepting donations at our new location, 1435 Mulberry Street, just north of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy west extension in downtown Des Moines. All DMARC and MoveTheFood operations will now be conducted from this location. Please visit us here in the future.



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DES MOINES AREA RELIGIOUS COUNCIL RED BARREL NEWS

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RED BARREL GIVING DIPS SLIGHTLY IN 2013

Des Moines, IA—Trends in unemployment and housing both locally and statewide are pointing towards a healthy growth in the Iowa economy. But despite that fact, donations to the Red Barrel program fell just below a percentage point (-0.8%) since last year. About 113,789 food items were collected from area grocery stores through the Red Barrel Program in 2013; down from 114,682 in 2012. Leading the charge this year was Dahl's Foods on Ingersoll (served by the Downtown Kiwanis Club) which collected 9,770 food items. They were followed by the Dahl's on Merle Hay Road (served by the Kiwanis Club of Johnston) which collected 9,577 food items and last year's leader, the Hy-Vee on Ankeny Blvd. (served by Link Associates), which collected 8,268 food items. Overall, Dahl's Foods stores collected the most food this year totaling 45,371 items. Hy-Vee came in just behind that with 43,880 food items—14,896 of which was supplemented through several of the stores' discarded items collections program. Fareway Stores collected nearly 7,000 food items—2,308 of which came directly from the stores.

Locations that participate in our Hunger Sack program sold just over 6,000 pre-made sacks last year—4,699 of which were 6-item sacks and 1,360 of which were 12-item sacks. Overall, combined sales of 6- and 12-item sacks were evenly split between Hy-Vee and Dahl's Foods stores, which each sold a little over 2,900 sacks. Two Fareway Stores, Meredith in Urbandale and S.E. 22nd in Des Moines, sold about 200 sacks in total this year. Individual store leaders in combined sack sales were the Hy-Vee in Ankeny (387 6-item sacks; 313 12-item sacks), followed by the Dahl's on E.P. True Parkway (529 6-item sacks; 121 12-item sacks), and the Dahl's on Ingersoll (251 6-item sacks; 393 12-item sacks). However, in terms of total volume of food sold through the Hunger Sack program, Dahl's Foods on Ingersoll came out on top moving 6,222 individual food items, followed by the Hy-Vee on Ankeny Blvd. with 6,078 and the Dahl's on Merle Hay Road with 4,758.

NEWS FROM THE COORDINATOR'S DESK



Well, there's not much more to report this month other than to tell you that our downtown warehouse and offices are now operational! You'll notice the new address to the left of this column. You'll also notice that my phone number and the main office phone number are still the same. However, you can now reach our Food Pantry Warehouse through a direct line without having to be transferred from the office. I encourage you to see the new place for yourself. If you stop by, I'd be happy to give you a tour!—JR

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



On Saturday, January 11th members of area Kiwanis clubs including Northwest, Downtown, Urbandale, and Ankeny joined with members of the DMARC staff to honor them for their significant contributions and service to the Food Pantry Network over the years and to tour the new facilities. The first food pantry warehouse was built in 1986 with the aid of \$30,000 in donations raised by twelve area Kiwanis clubs. The first Food Pantry president was Kiwanian Duke Holst in 1982.



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RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER, 2013 = 13,079

Rank	Store	Address	Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Dahl's	3425 Ingersoll Ave.	1465	Mark Pearson	Downtown Kiwanis
2	Dahl's	4343 Merle Hay Road	1100	Dave Wilson	Ron Stoen
3	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st Street, WDM	967	Mark Luke	Bob and Jan Schulte
4	Dahl's	5003 E.P. True Pkwy WDM	639	Troy Bond	Link Associates
5	Dahl's	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	636	Joe McDonald	John Young/Ron Stoen
6	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd.	537	Wes Snook	Link Associates
7	Dahl's	1208 Prospect, WDM	517	Kevin Helm	Paul Benson
8	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	510	Ryan Roberts	John Young/Ron Stoen
9	Hy-Vee	7101 University Ave.	459	Matt Heldenbrand	Chris Burch
10	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	457	Jamie Stephens	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
11	Dahl's	1802 N. Ankeny Blvd.	419	Pat Childress	Amy Tournier
12	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas Ave.	417	Drew Holmes	Larry Hamlin
13	Dahl's	3400 E. 33rd Street	394	Lyle Ellenwood	Link Associates
14	Dahl's	1819 Beaver Ave.	371	Jeff Hudson	Golden K Kiwanis
15	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	279	Dave Eisentrager	Larry Hamlin
16	Dahl's	8700 Hickman Rd.	267	Ryan Halverson	Liz Coffman
17	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	239	Brian Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
18	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	234	Kim Cole	Chris Burch
19	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordon Creek, WDM	224	Jim Carney	Harlan Thomas
20	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	145	Tony Taylor	Link Associates
21	Dahl's	1320 E. Euclid Ave.	145	Jim Martin	Link Associates
22	Dahl's	4121 Fleur Drive	121	Mike Hixon	Randy and Nicole Mitchell
23	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	97	Kevin McCormick	Link Associates
24	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	67	Doug Haugland	Link Associates
25	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	57	Store Director	Amy Tournier
26	Fareway	100 E. Euclid Ave.	47	Nick Greiner	Link Associates
27	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	45	Wil Golberg	Link Associates
28	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK Blvd.	43	Brandon Williams	Food Pantry Warehouse
29	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	24	Doug Dop	Link Associates

HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN DECEMBER = 592

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

66 - Dahl's, 50th & E.P. True
 57 - Hy-Vee, 4707 Fleur Drive
 44 - Hy-Vee, 86th & Douglas
 40 - Hy-Vee, S. 51st & Mills Civ.
 40 - Dahl's, N.W. 86th, Johnston
 39 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Blvd.
 34 - Dahl's, Merle Hay Road
 28 - Hy-Vee, Windsor Heights
 23 - Dahl's, E. 33rd & Hubbell
 22 - Dahl's, 86th & Hickman
 22 - Dahl's, 35th & Ingersoll

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

76 - Dahl's, 35th & Ingersoll
 20 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Blvd.
 15 - Dahl's, Merle Hay Road
 9 - Hy-Vee, Windsor Heights
 6 - Dahl's, Prospect & Grand

DISCARDED ITEMS FOR DECEMBER = 2157

Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek
 Jim Carney, Store Director
 Harlan Thomas

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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	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Cash
January	11,091	8,892	7,848	9,826	11,423	\$1,743.03
February	10,719	9,015	9,102	8,599	8,342	\$955.03
March	11,666	10,637	9,398	10,876	9,339	\$643.63
April	12,649	8,866	10,837	10,540	10,599	\$2,471.46
May	9,542	7,015	9,580	7,707	8,110	\$180.17
June	10,026	11,009	7,334	8,817	7,532	\$347.86
July	8,073	9,172	7,970	9,544	9,435	\$1,005.03
August	8,471	8,779	8,848	7,620	7,009	—
September	8,625	7,740	8,419	6,565	8,506	—
October	13,106	12,589	13,112	9,357	9,108	\$747.24
November	14,000	11,586	14,267	13,157	11,307	\$987.99
December	11,961	12,933	18,362	12,074	13,079	—
TOTAL	129,929	117,802	124,638	114,682	113,789	\$9,081.44