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DMARC RETURNS TO THE DSM ARTS FESTIVAL



Des Moines, IA—DMARC will once again make an appearance at the Des Moines Arts Festival this year. The booth is sponsored by Prairie Meadows Community Outreach program. Besides the food pantry network, some 26 other non-profits will be represented at this year's festival—each providing an arts-related activity in which kids may participate. DMARC's art project will be a make-and-take MyPlate model that participants will design using cut-outs of various food groups. The festival runs June 24th-26th and volunteers are needed to help staff the tent. To volunteer, contact the program coordinator John Robinson at 515-277-6969 ext. 18 or sign up online through VolunteerSpot at <http://vols.pt/ULbvZt>

MARKET PROGRAM CELEBRATES 7TH YEAR



Des Moines, IA—Thanks to a collaborative effort between Great Western Bank, DMARC, Hope Ministries, and the Downtown Farmers' Market, Meals from the Market continues its seventh season this year. The program offers vendors and patrons an opportunity to give back to the community by providing fresh food to the homeless and hungry in central Iowa. Volunteers take collections every Saturday through October 31st from 8:30 a.m. to Noon. After the Market wraps up, the fresh food is then taken to Hope Ministries and DMARC where the food contributions are used both to create meals that feed the hungry, and to provide supplemental fresh food options for 11 central Iowa food pantry sites. Last year, DMARC collected approximately 42,485 lbs. of fresh produce throughout the season. Since the program started, DMARC has received over 150,000 lbs. worth of fresh food donations from the farmer's market. To volunteer, visit <https://www.dmarcunited.org/volunteer/>

FOOD DRIVE SPOTLIGHT



Des Moines—On May 14th, area postal workers collected over 80,000 food items from addresses across the region. Their effort was part of a nationwide food drive called Stamp Out Hunger organized by the National Association of Letter Carriers. Due to the high volume of food items collected, DMARC worked with the Postmaster and area post offices to store much of the food off-site as shipments of it were date-checked and sorted in the food pantry warehouse. Groups of volunteers from area churches, businesses, and civic groups signed up to help process the shipments. Other sponsors of the event included the United States Postal Service, United Way, United Food and Commercial Workers, the AFL-CIO, Valassis, and Valpak.

JERSEY AUCTION NIGHT

100% of the proceeds go to **DMARC** move THE food
FOOD PANTRY NETWORK

Highest bid takes home your favorite Iowa Cubs jersey worn during Friday night's game.

Bid on the jersey from your favorite Iowa Cubs player of choice and raise money for the Des Moines Area Religious Council's Red Barrel Program which helps feed the hungry of Des Moines.

Please consider making a contribution to DMARC by bringing a canned food item to the Hy-Vee booth at the ballpark on this night.

Sponsored by **HyVee**

Iowa Cubs vs. Nashville Sounds
Friday, June 24th
7:08 PM at Principal Park

To volunteer for Sack Saturdays, sign up online at <http://vols.pt/d9rk2W>

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RED BARREL COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 2016 = 5,796

Rank	Store	Address	Collected	Store Director	Volunteer Collector
1	Hy-Vee	550 S. 51st Street, WDM	967	Mark Luke	Harlan Thomas
2	Hy-Vee	410 N. Ankeny Blvd., Ankeny	703	Wes Snook	Link Associates
3	Price Chopper	3425 Ingersoll Ave.	583	Scott Benter	Downtown Kiwanis
4	Price Chopper	1819 Beaver Ave.	368	Tom Day	Golden K Kiwanis
5	Hy-Vee	3330 MLK Blvd.	359	Sailu Timbo	DMARC Staff
6	Hy-Vee	7101 University Ave.	333	Matt Heldenbrand	Chris Burch
7	Hy-Vee	1725 Jordan Creek, WDM	316	Jason Sheridan	Bob and Jan Schulte
8	Hy-Vee	8601 Douglas Ave.	265	Scott James	Urbandale Kiwanis
9	Fareway	100 E. Euclid Ave.	262	Nick Greiner	Link Associates
10	Brick St. Market	114 Brick Street SE, Bondurant	258	Reenie Hogan	Connie Richards
11	Hy-Vee	1990 Grand, WDM	239	Kim Cole	Chris Burch
12	Hy-Vee	4707 Fleur Drive	235	Jamie Stephens	Denny Bradshaw
13	Price Chopper	4343 Merle Hay Road	196	Chris Mathias	Johnston Kiwanis
14	Fareway	8450 Meredith Drive	149	Dave Eisentrager	Urbandale Kiwanis
15	Hy-Vee	5759 Merle Hay Rd, Johnston	138	Darin Schoop	Johnston Kiwanis
16	Hy-Vee	1700 35th Street, WDM	113	Brian Bieker	NW Kiwanis
17	Hy-Vee	1107 Army Post Road	84	Steve Deutmeyer	Denny Bradshaw
18	Fareway	109 S.E. Oralabor, Ankeny	73	Doug Haugland	Link Associates
19	Price Chopper	5440 N.W. 86th, Johnston	54	Joe McDonald	Johnston Kiwanis
20	Cash Saver	4121 Fleur Drive	46	Scott Hornberg	Denny Bradshaw
21	Fareway	329 Grand Ave., WDM	42	Wil Goldberg	DMARC Staff
22	Fareway	10151 University, Clive	9	Kevin McCormick	Link Associates
23	Fareway	3000 S.E. 22nd Street	4	Todd Hynes	Link Associates
24	Fareway	3205 N. Ankeny Blvd.	0	Rick Beckwith	Amy Tournier
25	Hy-Vee	3221 S.E. 14th Street	0	Dan Anderson	Link Associates

HUNGER SACKS SOLD IN MAY = 368

TOP 10 STORES FOR \$6 SACKS (6 ITEMS)

- 70 - Hy-Vee, S. 51st & Mills Civic Pkwy
- 44 - Price Chopper, Beaverdale
- 43 - Brick Street Market
- 35 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Boulevard
- 27 - Hy-Vee, Windsor Heights
- 25 - Price Chopper, 35th & Ingersoll
- 22 - Hy-Vee, Fleur Drive & Mickinley
- 20 - Hy-Vee, Grand & Railroad
- 18 - Hy-Vee, 86th & Douglas, Urbandale
- 15 - Fareway, 86th & Meredith Drive

TOP 3 STORES FOR \$12 SACKS (12 ITEMS)

- 36 - Hy-Vee, N. Ankeny Boulevard
- 4 - Price Chopper, 35th & Ingersoll
- 4 - Price Chopper, Beaverdale

DISCARDED FOOD, MAY = 2,790

Whole Foods, WDSM
Michael Durr, Store Team Leader 980 food items +
DMARC Warehouse Staff 900 lbs./produce

Hy-Vee, Johnston
Darin Schoop, Store Director 829 food items
John Young, Johnston Kiwanis

Gateway Market, Sherman Hill
South Union Bakery 607 food items
Gateway Market Staff

Hy-Vee, Jordan Creek
Jason Sheridan, Store Director 374 food items
Staci Fanning/Heidi Zlab

FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF DISCARDS & RED BARREL COLLECTIONS

Month	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Money
January	9,826	11,423	8,304	8,811	9,093	\$229.91
February	8,599	8,342	8,527	7,991	7,396	\$143.97
March	10,876	9,339	10,932	8,012	8,314	\$97.25
April	10,540	10,599	12,262	10,622	11,027	\$1,148.49
May	7,707	8,110	10,943	7,210	8,586	—
June	8,817	7,532	8,176	5,626		
July	9,544	9,435	6,757	8,516		
August	7,620	7,009	6,877	7,700		
September	6,565	8,506	8,863	8,602		
October	9,357	9,108	10,707	9,475		
November	13,157	11,307	9,997	7,573		
December	12,074	13,079	15,338	9,766		
TOTAL	114,682	113,789	117,683	99,904		