



The Pantry Door

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The Coordinator's Corner.

This summer has been a busy one. Right after school let out, we received a call from the Paul Banks Elementary summer school director. He was requesting snacks for 30 students for four days a week for four weeks. If you do the math...that's a lot of snacks. Nadya

was able to pull those together. They also requested cooking ingredients such as flour, sugar and salt. They



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wanted to include cooking classes, as well. Thanks to Nadya's son, we were able to deliver everything they requested to the school just in time for the first day of classes. It's all part of our internal goal of exceeding expectations.

This request is also on our calendar for next year.

A Special Thanks...

to Grace Ridge Brewing for selecting the Homer Community Food Pantry as the recipient of the 'tips' for the entire month of July.

It is through kind consideration such as this that the Food Pantry can continue to meet the needs of the residents of the greater Homer area.



The parade starts right here!

Parade Celebrates Volunteers.

The Homer Fourth of July Parade was a big success with over 30 registered participants. We are proud to say that the Homer Community Food Pantry was a part of the celebration.

"It was the biggest crowd I have ever seen for a July 4th parade," exclaimed Chamber representative, Jan Knudson.

The Food Pantry troupe was accompanied by five members of HUGS, The Homer Ukulele Group Society. At the reviewing stand, we paused, were introduced, and with the ukuleles accompanying us, sang all three verses of *Side By Side*.

The Chamber of Commerce declared this the 'year of the volunteer' and featured our own Board President, David Nofziger and wife, Ruby as Grand Marshals.

In all, more than 15 board members and volunteers paraded down Pioneer Avenue, with the parade ending near the HERC at the east end of Homer.

We are already making plans for next year's July 4th parade. If you have any ideas to share to make it bigger and better, let us know. Otherwise, plan to be there next July 4th and be part of the fun.

We Are Seeking Volunteer Pick Up Artists.

There are currently two days a week without volunteers to pick up donated groceries at Safeway, Save U More and the Homer Theatre. If you have an hour and a half, one day a week, we could really use your help. Maybe you have a friend who could rotate weeks with you.

Currently, Thursdays and Sundays are open days. Please call Dennis Weidler at 235-1968 if you'd like to sign up...or learn more.

Providing food and emergency assistance with compassion to those seeking our services.

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