The Pantry Door

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The Haunted Aspen Delivers!

HCFP is beyond grateful to the US Coast Guard for bringing back the Haunted Aspen Food Drive. This year they had 1,133 people attending, sailing in approximately 2,000 cans of food! Mr Celona and Gabriel had no idea that the Food Pantry existed and were ecstatic to deliver the goods for such a worthy cause. Not only that, but apparently the Haunted Aspen was ... Spooktacular!

Our hats off as we salute, the United States Coast Guard!



<u>Blind Date With a Book Program!</u> Sue Post from the Homer Bookstore hosts a program called the Blind Date. Publishers send books to be previewed. In the event that they can not read all the books they are allowed to use those extra books for a fundraiser. The books are covered with brown paper and have clues as to what the book is about. For a minimum of \$3.00 the book is yours! Each month they name a nonprofit and HCFP received a check for \$158 from this program. We love our Homer Book Store and...Read ON!

Our Invaluable Volunteers!



In the end of November the Food Pantry hosted a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. Wendell, *the lion heart*, insisted on cooking. Pictured from the top Irene, Wendell & Katherine, who often cook in the mornings. *Next, just a *tasty* preview of some of his feast! It was remarkable! *The gentlemen from *Set Free* have become some of our most reliable heavy lifters on Monday mornings. Pictured are Travis, Rickie, Ryan, Kenny, Nicholas and Michael. *Two ladies, Karen Howorth and Fedora Hedrick have donated 20+ years of volunteer hrs to the pantry. *We applaud you!* *Board members, Cameron and Bette prepping for the event. *Lastly, one of three tables of other volunteers that attended. What amazes me is the number of *volunteers* that come together each week to make the Homer Community Food Pantry and Free Fridge the success that it is. Bravo!

Upcoming Events

*This Friday, November 8th, <u>Empty Bowls Fundraiser</u>, 11:00-2:00 at the United Methodist Church. Please come and support HCFP! *<u>Thankful Market</u> at Alices! November 17th, 12:00-4:00 Collecting shelf stable food for the holidays for HCFP, also an Arts and Crafts Fair! *A special thanks to Wayne Aderhold for his generous donation of \$1,000. He said he saw Wendell there and knew it was a great cause!

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