



The Pantry Door

Published monthly by the Homer Community Food Pantry-May, 2018

The Coordinator's Corner.

After serving 18 years as General Manager of two radio stations up in Nome, I was seeking ways to serve in our brand-new home community. I'd like to thank the board for their confidence in allowing me to assume this new role.

I began as a Food Pantry volunteer

back in the fall of 2017 and was immediately impressed with the scope of service and the level of dedication I



Dennis Weidler

witnessed on a weekly basis. It is a great team and one of which I am proud to be a part.

I have already been able to learn so much and look forward, with your patience, to learning and contributing even more.

A Special Thanks.

Thanks to all the clients who have been bringing their own shopping bags. Not only does this help the environment but it also saves the Pantry money which can then be used to purchase food items. The pantry will continue to give out treats on various Mondays (not every Monday though) so please continue to bring your own reusable bags.



Volunteer Susan enjoying her time folding bags for the clients to use. The addition to the atrium flow pattern is behind her.

New Traffic Flow Increases Efficiency.

Monday, May 7th marked the beginning of a transition to create better flow. This is an effort to improve ease of service to both the Food Pantry clients and the volunteer staff.

The pantry store of non-perishable items and bagged commodities was moved to the main area of the atrium, next to the windows. This is now the final pick-up point.

What had been the pantry store area is now the client social area. Check-in is right inside the double doors with access to the main hall and atrium.

The consensus is that this new

traffic pattern is a marked improvement, and we are always looking for ways to step up our level of service.

Board Members:

President – Dave Nofziger

Vice President – Pat Boone

Secretary – Cinda Martin

Financial Secretary – Bill Wells

Treasurer – Ruth Dickerson

Directors – Huck Bishop, Thomas McDonough, Debbie Smith, Sherry Stead, Tom Early

Recent Board Meeting Highlights.

From the April 10th meeting:

Approval for the addition of a "Donate" button to our Facebook page. Update: This has been completed and is fully functional.

From the May 8th meeting:

Hiring of new Coordinator, Dennis Weidler. Welcome aboard.

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

770 East End Road, Homer, Alaska 99603 235-1968