



The Pantry Door

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The Coordinator's Corner.

A big thank you is in order for the Homer-based, Gary Thomas 100 Men Who Care. This is a local group which, after seeing the effectiveness of the 100 Women Who Care, pledged not to be outdone. At their June 29th meeting at the Karen Hornaday Park, there



Dennis Weidler

were three presentations made. One was for the Homer Community Food Pantry. After the vote was taken, The

Homer Food Pantry was chosen for this quarter's funding.

Approximately 100 men each wrote a check for \$100 directly to the Homer Food Pantry.

This kind of direct, grassroots financial investment is critical to our success. 

A Special Thanks...

...to Homer Fish Processing. They have been donating the processing, vacuum sealing and freezing of up to 50 pounds of donated fish each week.

So many Homer visitors ask about donating fish they have caught to the Homer Food Pantry.

Thanks to all who make this possible.

Another Load Of Afghans Is Delivered.

In 1985, Kathy Eller and her husband moved to Homer. They raised two wonderful daughters here, and in 2011, Kathy retired from teaching. Now, she discovered she had a little too much spare time! She was always knitting and crocheting washcloths for family and friends. In discussions with Diana Jeska, she discov-



A full load of freshly crocheted blankets.

ered the Food Pantry could use some afghans. So, for the past several years Kathy has made hundreds of hats, scarves and afghans for the Pantry.

She says she loves Homer and the people who live here and this is her way to give back to the community.

Thanks so much, Kathy! 

Getting To Know You: Michael Raymond

In 2012 Michael Raymond moved this family to Homer from Iowa to experience the wonderful piece of life that had been offered to him as a teenager. He has enjoyed volunteer service opportunities such as coaching community football, wrestling, basketball, and baseball youth programs. Prior to moving to Homer, Raymond had 12 years' experience working in residential treatment facilities and is currently a program manager at Set Free Alaska's Men's Residential Compass Facility, located out East End Road.



Board Member, Michael Raymond

as a board member with this amazing organization in effort and hopes of enlarging the capacity of people served in the Homer area. Coming

from a single parent home and being a beneficiary of my hometown food pantry as a child, I personally know the value and impact these services have on those in need. I believe the Homer Food Pantry's essential supports not only help by

meeting the immediate needs of individuals served but can also function as a catalyst in developing healthy individuals, healthy communities, and contribute to a healthy culture for all to experience." 

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

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