The Pantry Door

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The Coordinator's

C chool is back in session. The I fall rains have begun, for which are all thankful. And, the Homer Food Pantry has had a productive summer.

On August, I had the opportunity to speak about the Food Pantry at the Homer-Kachemak Bay Rotary



joined in the presentation by Food Pantry, Secretary, Cinda Martin. The Club's focus,

and that of

Club. I was

Cinda, is on young people in the community. At the end of the presentation, the club awarded a certificate announcing that an honorarium had been presented to the Food Pantry in my name. Thanks so much for the opportunity to share about the Food Pantry and the many ways we serve.

A Special Thanks...

...to our local Voter Registration team. They set up a table at the Food Pantry on Monday, August 26th before registration closed on August 31st for the October election.

Thanks for providing access to allow quick and easy voter registration.

Seeking Solutions For Sustainability.



Board member, Deb Smith, displays a suggested reusable bag.

or several years, the Homer Food Pantry has been seeking alternatives to the 'recyclable" grocery bags so widely available in Homer.

To encourage clients to become more reliant on the larger reusable, or tote style bags, our board Vice President, Pat Boone, introduced the idea of offering rewards to encourage those

willing to bring their own bags each Monday. The rewards are varied, depending on the time of year and availability.

In addition, reusable bags are offered to clients, as they become available to Food Pantry check-in staff.

The Food Pantry is preparing for a time when the 'recyclable' bags are no longer available.

Delta Kappa Gamma Distributes Backpacks. needed school

n keeping with La time-honored tradition, Delta Kappa Gamma has been able to distribute backpacks to area students. Over 85 packs were handed out



Barbara Veek, Susan Brass and Gloria Hensen with the backpacks. between August 20th and the 27th

There are plans to add a second distribution in late December or

through high

school.

supplies, based

on grade level,

from elementary

early January for the second half of the school year.

Thanks Delta Kappa Gamma.

Packs were filled with the most

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

at the Homer Food Pantry.