

**Alliance Community Pantry**  
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Members of the board are, front row from left, Marge Simmons, Jan Horning, Betty Rush, Betsy Brown, Carol Henry and Kathy Kramer. Standing, from left, are Kyle Woodrow, Jim Greiner, Glenn Rupp, John Whitehair, Joe Cullum, Mike Patterson, Marcia Domino, Pat Gates and Jody Koenogseker. Not pictured are David Floyd, Bob Shaffer, Marty Magdalenz.

### Pantry Board Preps for 10th Year

The Alliance Community Pantry Board of Trustees reviewed the past year during Monday's first meeting of 2020, and looked ahead to the pantry's 10th anniversary later this year.

In 2019, the pantry had 15,904 visits, from 2,003 different households representing 6,524 individuals, and thanks to local donations and what the pantry purchased from the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank, the pantry gave out 1,115,732 pounds of food.

The pantry has no paid employees or staff, and these wonderful board members guide the pantry volunteers with effective policies and procedures to ensure success.

### FOOD FOR FINES: A WIN-WIN FOR OUR COMMUNITY!

If you have an overdue library book to return-- you might be saving a couple dollars while at the same time helping feed the citizens of Alliance if you do it now.

Rodman Public Library is once again offering "Food for Fines" through the month of March. Anyone who has overdue books will have their fines forgiven if they bring in a donation for the Alliance Community Pantry. Melissa Weisent, seen here, or any of the staff will help you and answer any questions you may have. Food items most needed by the pantry are peanut butter, cans of tuna, cereal, cans of soup, and canned fruit and vegetables. Non-food items such as toilet paper, paper towels and hand soap are also needed. Items donated will not be accepted if they are past their expiration date.



Fines will not be forgiven for lost or damaged items.

For more information please call Rodman Public Library at 330-821-2665.

### Alliance Community Pantry Board Members

- Betsy Brown
- Joe Cullum
- Marcia Domino
- Dave Floyd
- Pat Gates, Sec.
- Jim Greiner, Treas
- Carol Henry
- \* Jan Horning
- Jody Koenigseker
- Kathy Kramer, Pres
- Marty Magdalenz
- Mike Patterson, VP
- Glenn Rupp,
- Betty Rush
- Bob Shaffer
- Marge Simmons
- John Whitehair
- Kyle Woodrow



The Board recognized Gary Wagoner (right), who has served on the Board since the pantry opened and who has been its secretary.

Also recognized was 2019 Pantry Manager Dave Floyd who served until January 2020. Dave,( left), is seen with his wife, Brenda who also volunteers.



### ATHENA AWARD PRESENTED TO LONG -TIME PANTRY VOLUNTEER

Barb Armitage received the Athena Award at the February meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. The award is given annually to a woman who works toward achieving excellence in her profession and her community.

Barb, who is a Kiwanian and founding member of the original pantry board, is a former educator in Alliance and Plain Local, has been active in many non-profit organizations and clubs. She was one of the original organizers of the ACP ten years ago, and has edited the pantry newsletter for almost ten years.

Pat Gates, last year's Athena Award winner, is also active in the pantry, She presented Barb with Athena Award representing the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce.