

CEREAL ANGELS

Over the years, it's likely hundreds of our clients would have gone home with a box of cereal donated to the pantry by Nancy and Ray Stoffer. The Stoffers both retired in 2004 following



a career of 30-plus years of teaching at Lexington Elementary School. For the past 10 years they have donated hundreds of boxes of cereal.

"We've been very fortunate and just wanted to help people out," Nancy said in explaining what inspired them to keep donating all these years. "There were so many students with free and reduced lunches we knew there was a problem and we had to do something."

With that in mind, the Stoffers focus on sugared cereal because they know kids like it. According to Nancy, they have become experts at collecting and

using coupons so most of the cereal they can buy at Giant Eagle at a bargain price.

In May they brought in about 200 boxes of cereal. Nancy said they probably have spent about \$600 a year but for a wonderful cause. "We have to help each other in these tough times," Nancy said.

TRUSTY SUB

Joan Gecina, our Wednesday team leader for nearly 7 years, will be taking a break beginning June 7 for her much-needed knee surgery. Filling in for Joan will be Russ Kring, who has been volunteering at the pantry since October, 2019.

A graduate of Louisville High School, Russ is currently a pre-med student at Kent State University and will matriculate to Northeast Ohio Medical University in 2022. Russ enjoys being involved in the community and his dream is to end up practicing medicine locally.



THE REGULA CENTER AND MOUNT UNION CONTINUE TO SERVE

As we have every year, our pantry benefitted from Mount Union's year-end *Trash to Treasure* sale. Organized by Abby Honaker Schroeder of the Regula Center, 266 pounds of

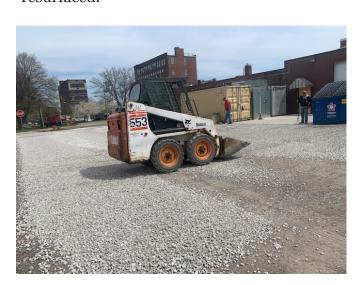


unsold donated food was delivered to the pantry as Mount ended the year. We thank you for the wonderful support we've always received from Mount Union.

BOARD WORK CONTINUES THROUGH PANDEMIC

Our Board of Directors worked throughout the pandemic, meeting via zoom. The Pantry Board of Directors resurfaced the pantry parking lot this spring. Our lot is heavily used and safety is a primary concern.

Ted Norman, with the help of Roger Seabolt, covered the parking lot with nearly 20 tons of gravel. Coordinated by board member Glenn Rupp, it was the first time in several years that the lot has been resurfaced.



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