

HALLOWEEN GIVING



While trick-or-treaters were out scouring neighborhoods for candy and sweet treats on Halloween, Mount Union students were traveling some of those same neighborhoods collecting food for the pantry as part of a wonderful tradition started about a dozen years ago by the Regula Center under the direction of Abby Schroeder.

Mount's Greek organizations and clubs are assigned neighborhoods around the campus where members leave door hangers a few days before Halloween letting neighbors know they collect food donations on trick-or-treat night. The tradition has brought in nearly 40,000 pounds of food for the pantry.

This year students from seven organizations brought in 2,836 pounds of food. Topping the list was Alpha Phi Omega with 731 pounds, followed by the Sigma Alpha Episilon fraternity with 469 pounds and Alpha Delta Pi sorority with 345 pounds.

Pantry volunteers helping out were Jim Menegay, Sebastian Schubert, Debbie Skubiak and Libby and Mike Patterson.

We wish to thank the Mount Union students, but as one student said, "Don't thank us. Thank the community."



SUPPORT FROM AUTO DEALERS The support we receive to help feed our clients often extends far beyond our normal service area and this month was another fine example. The BMW and Toyota dealerships, both of North Canton, teamed up to donate and drop off 458 pounds of food, mostly canned soup and macaroni and cheese which are popular products for our clients. We thank you!



MOUNT UNION TRACK DONATIONS

As they have in recent years, Mount Union men's track and field team again completed a successful food drive for our pantry. According to head coach Kevin Lucas, the team collected and donated the food, which this year totaled 1,013 pounds.

This is one more example of the support we get from Mount Union.



ANOTHER PRIZE GIFT

Since we opened in November 2010, the backing we have received from the Alliance Community and well beyond has been overwhelming. The support from generous individuals, schools, churches, businesses, corporations and other non-profits has made it possible for our volunteers to continue to serve our clients for the past 13 years.

Another huge example of that was recently when board members Glenn Rupp and Bruce Helsel picked up a huge three-door Hobart freezer that was donated by Dudley's G's Pizza World of Damascus. According to owners Brian

and Tara Dudley, pictured here with their children Haydon, Addi and Rowan, they originally bought the freezer at an auction from the North Canton City Schools, but the freezer was too large for them to move or for their building to handle.

They then donated it to our pantry, which will make the handling of the variety of frozen products we handle much more convenient.

We and our many volunteers thank the Dudleys for helping the pantry continue to be a comfortable and safe place in which to work and serve those in need.













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