



## HALLOWEEN TRADITION



What's been a Halloween tradition since we opened Nov. 15, 2010, continued this Halloween in fine fashion as University of Mount Union students collected and delivered 3,044 pounds of food to our Alliance Community Pantry.

The annual event, coordinated by the Ralph and Mary Regula Center, under the direction of Abby Honaker Schroeder, organizes the competition among Mount's organizations and clubs. They are assigned neighborhoods around the campus where members leave door hangers a few days before Halloween



letting neighbors know they'll be collecting food donations on trick-or-treat night.

Leading this year's competition was Alpha Phi Omega with 814 pounds of food collected, followed by Alpha Delta Pi with 646 pounds.

Pantry volunteers helping out weighing and organizing the donations were Terra Lashley, Jim Greiner, Bruce Helsel and Mike Patterson.

We thank the Mount students and the community for helping us to live up to our goal of "Working within the community to end hunger."

## WALLY'S TRADITION



Wally Armour Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram continued it's long tradition of spreading holiday cheer prior to Thanksgiving by donating 25 turkeys to our Alliance Pantry to help those in need. Tyler Dickerhoof and Thayne Ocel had the pleasure of dropping them off Thursday morning, Nov. 13.

Wally Armour is one company that's always been here to help.

## TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

While our pantry's motto and pledge is "Working within the community to end hunger," we like to go above and beyond whenever possible, especially during the holidays. This year is a prime example as we're doing our best to have a turkey for any client who wants one for Thanksgiving.

Thanks to the generosity and support of the



community we have been able to purchase 500 turkeys from Giant Eagle at a nice price. Picking up 250 of the turkeys on Nov. 15 were Glenn Rupp, Bruce Helsel, and our treasurer Jim Greiner. The other 250 turkeys were picked up during the week.

Unloading the turkeys were our great warehouse crew led by Terra Lashley, including Jackie Burch, Dakota Liller, Ernest Jefferson, Justin Lashley, and Wayne Percy on the forklift.



## HONOR SOCIETY DONATIONS



The National Honor Society organizations at both Alliance High School and the Middle School lived up to their names on Nov. 21 as both schools donated an impressive amount food to our Alliance Community Pantry.

The high school group coordinated by teacher Candace

Worrell donated 1,453 cans and boxes of quality food.

Helping load our pantry truck that was brought to the school by pantry volunteers Glenn Rupp and Bruce Helsel were Joe Hughes, Raelene Torrez, and Candace.

About an hour later middle school counselor Jayme Smith delivered to the pantry 874 food items that students there had collected.

We and our clients give thanks for the support of the students and our generous community!



## MOUNT'S WINNING TEAMS

We're all cheering Mount Union's fall sports teams for more than just bringing winning records to our hometown! They are all a bright asset to the community and not all their assets and success comes on the field or arena of play.

This season their dedication reached those in need as the fall sports teams got



together to collect food for our Alliance Community Pantry. Manager Debbie Skubiak got a call from Mount's athletic department saying the teams collected food to donate. Not knowing how much it might be, she stopped at Mount and collected an impressive 1,003 pounds of food which was unloaded by pantry volunteer Justin Lashley.

## NEW BATTERY NEEDED

All of a sudden on Nov. 5 week we needed a new battery for our forklift and, as usual, Glenn Rupp was there to get it done. He arranged to get a lift truck from Scotty's Lift Truck Services out of Homeworth, which was driven by Laura, and Peter from Arcon Equipment Co. came down to make the switch to a new battery. As usual, great teamwork keeps our pantry running smoothly.



## SHARED GROCERY BASKETS

Thanks to the merger of two caring food facilities in Hartville, we were recently able to upgrade our collection of grocery baskets that we use to deliver food to our clients waiting outside.

One of our longtime volunteers saw a posting on Facebook a couple of weeks ago that Lake Township Fish had a few grocery baskets they wanted to give away since they were moving to a new facility. He quickly messaged the person who posted it



and after some text messages back and forth we were able to arrange picking up six lightly used grocery baskets to replace some of ours that had fallen on hard times.

Pantry manager Debbie Skubiak went with volunteer Jim Menegay to pick up the baskets that day. Seen here enjoying the find with Debbie and Jim are Janet Schneider and Diane Bell, Monday volunteers.

The Lake Township Fish food pantry and the Agape Bread Ministry now are operating under one roof at 13155 Market Ave. North, adjacent the Hartville Hardware complex.



The support we receive from the cross section of the community continues to be impressive.



Monday, Nov. 24, at 3 p.m. we had a wonderful donation of food from Alliance Drain & Pumping LLC. The firm, under the direction Madison Garmier, seen here unloading the food, and Jay Middaugh, donated 22 hams totaling 60 pounds and also

dropped off 310 pounds of a variety of canned and packaged food that their customers have been donating.

Then at 4 p.m., Carol Bradway, seen here with the 193 pounds of food she brought in that was donated by First Christian Church on West Beech St. It had been collected during Saturday's Sleigh Bell Craft Show along with \$20 in cash and \$69 gift card.

## MORE HOLIDAY DONATIONS



*From our Families to yours*  
**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

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