



WAREHOUSE CREW SHINES!

Our pantry is an all volunteer operation and we have amazing people who help from start to finish. We get most of our food from the Akron-Canton Food Bank, and it starts with Leigh Mainwaring making the orders for our loyal crew of truckers who

pick it up every Monday and Wednesday morning. They made 98 trips last year. The crew that meets those truckers twice a week are pictured here, and it would be impossible to operate and do what we do without them.



They are, from left, Wayne Percy, Doug Brion, Terra Lashley, Sharon Bolton, Shawn Wise, Elizabeth Fox, Barb Carpenter, Frank Frasier, and Dakota Liller. Not pictured is Will Kinsey.

Leading the team is Terra Lashley, our warehouse manager, pictured here, who has been volunteering at the Pantry since we opened 16 years ago. She works with all the other departments and coordinates the morning warehouse crew to make sure that when food arrives it is stored and stacked where it can be easily passed out to our neighbors.

They unload the truck, stock and organize the shelves both in our warehouse and up front in the packing and serving area, they properly stock any produce, and fill our freezers and coolers.

What they do enables us to do a lot. Just in June we served 1,314 households, 3,806 individuals, and by the end of the year, we will give away more than 1 million pounds of food.



Thank You All!

THANKS TO AID PEST CONTROL

Ever since we opened our Alliance Community Pantry 16 years ago, one vital factor that has allowed us to continue our mission of "Working within the community to end hunger," has been the consistent support from all aspects of our town.

In addition to our loyal pantry volunteers, we rely on the businesses, schools, community clubs and organizations, churches, other non-profits, and the generous members of our community who financially support our pantry to help us to provide food for our neighbors.

One special company in town has allowed us to consistently operate in a healthy, clean environment. That is Aid Pest Control! Ever since we opened, they have donated their services and have given our pantry a thorough monthly interior spraying, and at least once a year they do a complete treatment outside around our building.

Billy Arnold, pictured here, is the spray technician who gives our pantry a thorough treatment every month and we are indebted to him for keeping us pest free!.



ROYAL QUEEN CANDIDATES



candidates this year.

Missy Miller, who has coordinated this event the last 13 years, said since the event started, queen candidates have donated 45,598 pounds of food to the Pantry. The entire community thanks them for that.

Working with the candidates this year were pantry volunteer and board members Jim Greiner, our treasurer, and Bruce Helsel and Mike Patterson. After dropping off the food, eight of the girls who were able to be there today stayed to help organize what they had brought in preparation for Monday's pantry opening.

The queen candidates, pictured here with the Pantry volunteers, are, from left, Ciara Evans, Gianna Phillips, Renee Bertrand, Jaidyn Henderson Bradshaw, Natalie Austin, Irelyn Johnson, Venna Twineham, and Jacquelyn Seaburn. Not pictured are Cydni Weatherspoon and Chloe Guinter.

Winner of the food donation contest was Ciara Evans, who brought in 1,277 pounds of food.

Crowned queen at the 66th annual Carnation Festival pageant was Gianna Phillips, an Alliance High School senior.

A wonderful and valuable tradition continued July 10 as the candidates for Carnation Festival Queen participated in their annual competition to see who could donate the most food to the Alliance Community Pantry. It was a great success, as within an hour and a half they had donated 3,020 pounds of food, which is much more than they had last year even though there were fewer



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The boys do anything they're asked with enthusiasm, and for eight weeks they moved food items in the warehouse, repacked and sorted anything that



needed organized, unloaded donated food that's dropped off, and did anything else that needed done. They also brought a youthful spirit to the Pantry on Tuesdays.

Unfortunately, the last week in July was their final week because school was starting soon and sports teams were starting practice, so our summer volunteers are busy with a new year.

Working this summer were, from left, Mason Floyd, Jonny Ferrall and Micah Braisted, along with AnnaMae and Alice.

Other students who worked each week were Brady Floyd, and Tucker and Colton Ferrall. Others who filled in one week this summer were King Neal, Andrew Horning, Landri Bugara, and Reese Braisted.

YOUTHFUL TUESDAYS

ALLIANCE COMMUNITY PANTRY BOARD

Jim Perone-Pres., Jim Greiner-Treas., Bruce Helsel-Past Pres, Mike Patterson-VP Operations, Chris Schade-Sec., Jan Horning, Missy Miller, Betsy Brown, Pat Gates, Cathy Henderson, Cindy Magda, Andy Magda, Beth Simbro, Kim Cully, Rudy Roggenkamp, Cathy Torma

