

2020

APRIL

Carpenter's Place Month In Review



LOCAL BUSINESS HELPS FEED OUR GUESTS

Warmest thanks to Beef-a-Roo for their donation of delicious wraps that were enjoyed by our guests.



SPRING CLEANING

Robert (left) volunteered to do some outdoor spring clean-up. We are grateful for his helpfulness! John (right) shared how grateful he is CP is open at this time when so many places are closed. He gladly volunteered to clean up around the building.



HOLY THURSDAY FOOT CARE EVENT

Representing OrthoIllinois, the OSF Podiatry Resident Program, and Field Fastener, Dr. Kelly John (right) and Brittany & Dave Wojnicki, display shoes purchased for their annual Maundy Thursday Foot Care Event. Due to COVID19 restrictions, they did not do the foot washing or one-on-one shoe distribution. CP staff will host a shoe distribution event after COVID protocols are lessened. Warmest thanks to these organizations and everyone who also gave generous cash donations for the purchase of shoes.



EASTER BLESSINGS

Emma was happy to receive an Easter Blessings bag made possible by our faithful friend, Alberta.



YARD CARE DONATION

Vet House resident, James, is set to spread mulch. Due to COVID19, the Liberty Mutual staff work day at our Vet House was cancelled. However, they provided a generous donation of which some was used to purchase this mulch. Thank you, Liberty Mutual!

< IN OUR HEARTS, JUDY!

Judy, our ABLE Program worker, shows the "miss you" goody bag left for her in our COVID "drop and go" style. So eager to have her back with us at CP!

amazon smile For the safety of all, we are not accepting in-kind donations at our Railroad Avenue location. However, essential needs continue. If you are willing to order and ship any of the following from Amazon or your favorite store, we will be very grateful:

- > MEN'S JEANS 32, 34, 36 (32 LENGTH)
- > BOXER BRIEFS M, L, XL



STAYING SAFE & SANITIZED

Slipping off masks for the photo but maintaining social distancing, Robert, Norman and Emma pitch in to help keep CP clean and sanitized!



A GREAT DONATION OF SHOES AND SOCKS

Ernest and Danita delivered 27 pairs of shoes and 55 pairs of socks from Allen Chapel for the Maundy Thursday Foot Care Event. We are very grateful and look forward to sharing these with our guests when the event is rescheduled.

“Feeding the Hungry” at CP continued in April through the kindness and generosity of the following groups. We send our warmest thanks to each person who helped carry on this critical food ministry.

- Advanced Machine
- Alpine Lutheran Church
- Barb Kohl, Judy Mott, Ann Hammes, Jamie Thayer and Marijean Witcher
- Beef-A-Roo
- Bethesda Church
- Brooke Road United Methodist
- Central Christian
- Cindy Hughes and Book Club
- Community Bible Church
- CP Young Professionals Board
- Faith Community Church Women’s Ministry
- Field Fastener
- First Evangelical Covenant Church
- Fr. Jonathan; Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church
- Gloria Dei
- Journey Church Ministries
- Karla Moore and family
- Lenore Lund and friends
- MOD Pizza
- Monroe Center Community Church
- Mount Olive Church
- Naomi Law and family
- Our Saviors Lutheran Church
- River Valley Community Church
- Rockton-Roscoe Rotary Club
- Sai Group
- Salamone’s Cherry Valley
- Salem Lutheran Church
- St. Bernadette
- St. Bridget Knights of Columbus
- St. Mark’s Lutheran Church
- Vickie Bethea
- Westminster Church
- Winnebago United Methodist

HOMELESS ADULTS IN APRIL

While under the COVID19 Shelter-in-Place order, the CP staff is continuing to provide day shelter, meals, showers, laundry, mail service, masks and support to those who are homeless. Procedural changes were made to do all this while being compliant with social distancing. Not surprisingly, the COVID19 climate has reduced the life changes our guests were able to make during April:

- **7 obtained apartments**
- **No new jobs secured**

FAMILY SERVICE PROGRAM UPDATE

Housing: COVID19 has brought securing subsidized housing to a standstill

Furnishings: One family received furniture in April for apartment secured in March

Employment: One head of household secured full-time employment



AN ABUNDANCE OF GRATITUDE FOR ALL OF THE MASK DONATIONS!

We want to express our most sincere thanks for all the donations of masks. Since we put out our request, masks have been coming in from all over the community. We thank you for your time, talents, and generosity. The donations of face masks are helping us keep our guests safe and healthy!



VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Although we weren’t able to host our annual Volunteer Recognition Event this April, our gratitude soars for all those who generously give their gifts of time and talents! They are a critical and greatly loved part of our CP family!