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Cudahy-St. Francis Interfaith Program for the Elderly & Project Concern of Cudahy-St.

FALL AND WINTER 2019/2020



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Community Cares News is a joint newsletter for Project Concern, the emergency food pantry that serves both communities and Cudahy-St. Francis Interfaith Program for the Elderly.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

As we get ready to gather with family and friends soon to share a meal and give thanks for all that we have, let's be sure to remember those who are facing difficult circumstances. With your help, Project Concern will be able to provide over 70 fully-stocked Thanksgiving meal boxes to our neighbors in need.

Please consider donating any of the traditional Thanksgiving foods, or, a monetary donation will allow us to buy the items that we most need.

GIVE THANKS!!

Christmas Gift Program

Christmas Gift

Program 2019



Project concern is

now taking requests from pantry patrons wishing to sign their children up (17 years and younger please) for a Christmas gift this year. Please visit our website or stop at the pantry to fill out your form asap!

Would you like to *sponsor a child* and give the gift of Joy this year? Please visit our website for the form, or call or stop by the pantry anytime!



This is one of my favorite stories - it always makes me reflect on the good in my life.

Thanks for reading our newsletter! - Patrick

The Trouble Tree

The carpenter I hired to help me restore an old farmhouse had just finished a rough first day on the job. A flat tire made him lose an hour of work, his electric saw quit, and now his ancient pickup truck refused to start.

While I drove him home, he sat in stony silence. On arriving, he invited me in to meet his family.

As we walked toward the front door, he paused briefly at a small tree, touching the tips of the branches with both hands. After opening the door, he underwent an amazing transformation. His tanned face was wreathed in smiles and he hugged his two small children and gave his wife a kiss.

Afterward he walked me to the car. We passed the tree and my curiosity got the better of me. I asked him about what I had seen him do earlier.

"Oh, that's my trouble tree," he replied. "I know I can't help having troubles on the job, but one thing's for sure, troubles don't belong in the house with my wife and the children, so I just hang them up on the tree every night when I come home. Then in the morning I pick them up again."

"Funny thing is," he smiled, "when I come out in the morning to pick 'em up, there aren't nearly as many there as I remember hanging up the night before."

by Author Unknown

PROJECT CONCERN OF CUDAHY-ST. FRANCIS—OUR MISSION

To serve low-income individuals and families by feeding the needy, meeting emergency basic needs and providing a bridge/safety net to help them become self-sufficient.

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Location:

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Hours of Operation:

Monday 9:00 am to Noon

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am to Noon Friday 9:00 am to Noon

1st Saturday of the month

9:00am to 11:00 am

**By appointment Wed: Noon to 3:00pm

Website: projectconcerncudahy.org

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Project Concern of Cudahy-St. Francis

Food Pantry Services:

- Emergency food in collaboration with Hunger Task Force.
- Clothing, household items, toys, books and more.
- Personal care products.
- Information and referral services.
- Birthday cake mix and gift for children
- Seasonal programs:

School Supplies for students.
Special holiday food baskets
Holiday gift program for children

All services are provided free of charge.
Thank you to our many supporters!

BOWL OVER HUNGER!

Looking to have a great time AND support Project Concern? JOIN US at South Shore Bowl for a 9-Pin Tap Fundraiser. \$25 per person if you want to bowl. There will be food, a cash bar, raffles and more!! Proceeds to help provide healthy food options for Project Concern!



Where: South Shore Bowl (3620 E Carpenter - Cudahy)
When: Sunday, Jan 26th - Doors Open at Noon - Bowling 1pm
Please call 481-0200 to sign up. Don't want to bowl? Perhaps
you could make a donation to use for our raffle prizes!

In partnership with Feeding America and our friends at South Shore Bowl THANK YOU to Tom & Associated Bank for supporting this event!!

Benefit To Our Community

Project Concern & CSFI Program for the Elderly continue to see the good works that people do every day in our community. In the midst of so much violence and anxiety in our world, our two organizations work tirelessly with so many good people in our community to help those in need. Please consider joining our efforts to improve the lives of many people in need.

When you support Project Concern and CSFI Program for the Elderly through donations and volunteering you truly make a difference in people's lives!!

Propping off Ponations?

Project Concern welcomes your donations of new or gently used clothing, household items, toys, books and bedding. The pantry appreciates your donation. Please keep in mind we do not accept tube TV's or monitors, mattresses, large pieces of furniture, items that are broken, missing pieces, stained, torn or containing hazardous materials.

Drop off donations when our facility is open please. Items left outside can be damaged by the weather and pose a hazard to anyone trying to get in or out of the building

CUDAHY-ST. FRANCIS INTERFAITH PROGRAM FOR THE ELDERLY

Our Goal is to help our senior neighbors remain independent and safe in their homes.

You are not old!

"Old" is a subjective term. If you refer to yourself as old, you will eventually start to believe it and alter your thoughts & behavior accordingly. Don't let society tell you that you are old! Find time to read, enjoy nature & embrace what your golden years bring. As Henry Ford once said:

"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at 20 or 80. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young."

RESOURCE NUMBERS

2-1-1 IMPACT 24 hour helpline Aging Resource Center of Milw. County - (414) 289-6874 Hunger Task for Senior Benefit Specialist - (414) 588-7132 SDC Senior Benefit Enrollment Service - (414) 906-2706 JFS Counseling for Disabled Seniors (414) 390-5800 Domestic Violence 24 hour hotline—1-800-799-7233

RECIPE CORNER

Healthy, Tasty & Affordable! Sloppy Joes

Ingredients

- Meat (1 lb ground beef)
- Oil (any type)
- Seasonings: salt, pepper, dry mustard, chili powder
- Sauce: ketchup (2/3 cup), Worcestershire (1/2 tsp.), tomato paste (1 tbsp.),
- Other: brown sugar (1 tbsp.), bell pepper (diced), yellow or white onion (diced), garlic (3 cloves or 2 tbsp. garlic powder), water (1/3 cup), hot sauce (if desired)

What to do

- Brown meat, drain off fat
- Add garlic and all veggies (cook on medium) to browned meat & cook for 2-4 minutes
- Add everything else, simmer for 30 minutes or anything everything is tender and well blended (stir often)
- *Add more ketchup to achieve desired consistency
- Serve hot over toasted hamburger buns

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Services for Senior Neighbors:

- Information
- Referrals to other programs
- Resources on health, finances & more
- Help around the house
- Personal visits by phone or in person
- Lending library of durable medical equipment for all ages

Medical Lending Library

This is a free service to all residents of Cudahy and St Francis regardless of age. Types of equipment available are:

- canes
- walkers
- raised toilet seats ◆ wheelchairs
- shower chairs
- and more

Equipment can be borrowed for 90 days and if necessary, may be renewed for an additional 90 days.

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Project Concern and CSFI Program for the Elderly are equal opportunity providers and employers.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

CSFI for the Elderly & Project Concern

Will be closed the following dates:

Halloween: Wed. Oct 30th

Thanksgiving: Fri. Nov 29th

Christmas: Wed. Dec 25th &

Fri. Dec 27th

New Years: Wed. Jan 1, 2020 Pantry Inventory Day: Fri. Jan 31 Pantry Inventory Day: Wed. Feb 26 Pantry Inventory Day: Fri. Mar 27

Easter: Fri. Apr 10th



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WISH LIST



Project Concern does more than just provide emergency food. We provide a warm, welcoming place for those in need. Please help us by donating items from the wish list below so that we can provide our patrons with life's necessities!

Shampoo/Conditioner
Shaving Cream
Laundry Soap
Hand Soap
Toothpaste/Toothbrushes
Body Wash
Lip Balm

Kleenex
Razors
Dish Soap
Bar Soap
Diapers
Lotion
New Socks