



Monthly Spotlight

On a recent visit to Trinity Church of the Nazarene in No. Haverhill, Pastor George Hemway was excited to show us how he gets his church community involved in the pantry. Pastor Hemway and Connie Sanville, the director of the pantry, were noticing that donations had been dropping for the pantry, and decided they needed to do something more visible to the congregation. They set up a shopping cart in front of the altar with the donation can and a Bible verse encouraging charity; the theme changes each month.

In the busyness of daily life, sometimes people lose sight of the need in their communities. We hope this inspires you to be creative and get the word out!



700 EAST INDUSTRIAL PARK DRIVE
MANCHESTER, NH 03109

What's Cookin'

April 2017

Current Resident or

NONPROFIT ORG
US POSTAGE
PAID
MANCHESTER, NH
PERMIT NO. 37



Safe Food Handling

All Agencies are **required** to have at least one representative attend a Safe Food Handling Class. Your Program Director/Coordinator must submit a written request, with the names of attendees to:

myackelshappy@nhfoodbank.org

Upcoming Classes

Thursday, April 27th @ 10AM

Thursday, May 11th @ 10AM

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

WELCOME New Agencies

Caleb Group—Newport
Newport, NH

**Friends of Forgotten Children
Snack Program**
Concord, NH

NHFOODBANK.ORG | 603-669-9725

New Shopper Orientation

Your Program Director/Coordinator must submit in writing, the names of any shoppers to be added or removed for your agency to:

myackelshappy@nhfoodbank.org

Sign up early, spots fill up quickly!

Upcoming Classes

Tuesday, April 18th @ 10 AM

Thursday, May 11th @ 1 PM

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

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Food Bank Closings

Monday, April 3rd—Inventory
 Friday, April 14th—Good Friday
 Thursday, May 25th—Feast of Ascension
 Monday, May 29th—Memorial Day

Quotable

"We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anybody it does. Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention to their shining—they just shine.

-Dwight L. Moody

Unsubmitted Carts

Please make sure that you are submitting your cart before you log out of Agency Express. We have had several instances recently of agencies coming to the Food Bank to pick up orders, only to find out they left the items sitting in their cart and they did not have an order ready.

It is the agency's responsibility to make sure that their cart is submitted successfully. You can confirm this by going to the "Order Management" screen, and verifying the status of your order. If it says "Draft," your order was not submitted. If you have any questions, please call Mysty at 669-9725 x240.

A note from Agency Relations

Happy Easter!

Enclosed in this month's bulletin is the 1st Quarter QSR. Please complete this form and return it to Mysty via mail, email, or fax by **Friday, April 28th**. Please note that failure to submit this form on time will result in suspension of NH Food Bank privileges.

Connie, Rick and Mystyna

Safe Food Handling Series: Final Tips

As the fourth installment of our Safe Food Handling series, this month we are going to focus on some Final Tips. If you have any questions about anything covered in this series, or any part of the bulletin, please contact Mysty at 669-9725 x240.

1. Do not separate bulk sealed product under any circumstances.
2. All food given out must have an ingredients' list for allergy purposes. Items that are missing nutrition facts, but still have an ingredients' list are fine to distribute.
3. Store dry goods without internal sealed packaging (such as pasta, rice, instant potatoes, etc.) in plastic bins to prevent pest or other food contamination.
4. Shelving needs to be made of a non-porous material for cleaning purposes. Washable surfaces include glass, metal, and painted or stained wood.
5. Please check all cans for dents. Some dents are fine, while others create an environment for bacteria to grow. If your agency needs a dented cans poster, please contact Agency Relations.

Ask Agency Relations

Q. What if I can't make it to the NH Food Bank for my scheduled appointment?

A. If you are going to be late for an appointment, please contact Debbie at 669-9725 x110. If she has notice, she may be able to shift other agencies who are early to accommodate you. If you cannot come at all for your scheduled appointment, please contact Debbie and she can move you to a different day (not earlier than the previously scheduled appointment). In order to serve our over 400 member agencies, we must keep things running efficiently. If you are late and don't let us know, you may lose your ability to shop that day as we have to make sure that other agencies' appointments are not affected.

Did You Know?

- ◆ Easter is celebrated at different times by Eastern and Western Christians. That's because the dates for Easter in Eastern Christianity are based on the Julian Calendar.
- ◆ Jellybeans were first made in America by Boston candy maker William Schrafft, who ran advertisements urging people to send jellybeans to soldiers fighting in the Civil War.
- ◆ Americans consume over 16 million jellybeans on Easter, enough to circle the globe three times over.
- ◆ The name Easter owes its origin from Eastre, the Anglo-Saxon goddess who symbolizes hare and egg.
- ◆ Americans buy more than 700 million marshmallow peeps during the Easter holiday, which makes Peeps the most popular non-chocolate Easter candy.
- ◆ The White House hosts an Easter Egg Roll on the front lawn each year. This tradition was started by President Rutherford B. Hayes in 1878.
- ◆ 76% of people eat the ears on chocolate bunnies first.
- ◆ After Halloween, Easter is the biggest candy consuming holiday. 120 million pounds of candy are bought each year.