



Agency Spotlight

One of our longtime agencies, Gert's Pantry, was able to reopen their doors in June at a new permanent home. Gert's Pantry is a well-supported program in their community, with support from several local churches and donations from community events. Tom Minnich and John Traynor (pictured left), with the help of Dave Redfield, converted a two-car garage into a functional site for the pantry. Their generous donation of countless hours of their time, and their expertise has spared the pantry the cost of labor. Others donated materials and money, and longtime church member, Sophia Goodnow, created the new sign. The volunteers at the pantry are looking forward to many years in their new location!



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MANCHESTER, NH 03109

What's Cookin'

August 2016

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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

Tuesday, August 9th @ 10 AM

Thursday, September 22nd @ 10 AM

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

WELCOME New Agencies

Dismas Home of NH
Manchester, NH

Harbor Homes Inc
BAE Independence Hall
Manchester, NH

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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

Friday, August 12th @ 10 AM

Thursday, September 22nd @ 1 PM

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

August 2016

Food Bank Closings

Monday, September 5th—Labor Day
 Monday, October 10th—Columbus Day

Quotable

"The first week of August hangs at the very top of summer, the top of the live-long year, like the highest seat of a Ferris wheel when it pauses in its turning. The weeks that come before are only a climb from balmy spring, and those that follow a drop to the chill of autumn, but the first week of August is motionless, and hot. It is curiously silent, too, with blank white dawns and glaring noons, and sunsets smeared with too much color."

-Natalie Babbit, *Tuck Everlasting*

Note to Shoppers

As a reminder to all agencies, the limit for the number of shoppers allowed on the shopping floor is **two per agency**. Instead of a second shopper, an agency may send one shopper and one helper. A helper may not shop the floor, only load the vehicle. We can not have more than two people on the floor per agency at a time. If physical limitations prevent you from lifting or carrying, please bring another shopper with you. If you need to sign up someone for the New Shopper Orientation, please contact Mysty at myackelshappy@nhfoodbank.org.

A note from Agency Relations

August is here, and fall is not far behind. With the coming of fall, we also recognize September as Hunger Action Month. More information will be forthcoming about events and initiatives, but we encourage you to observe Go Orange day on September 6th.

Please also remember that if you would like to submit a nominee for Agency Volunteer of the Year, you must do so by August 19th.

Connie, Rick and Mystyna

Agency Volunteer of the Year Award

Tell us, in one page or less, why your agency's volunteer deserves to be named Agency Volunteer of the Year. Be sure to give examples of this volunteer's hard work and generous dedication. You may nominate more than one volunteer from your agency, if you wish. Be sure to include the name of the volunteer and the name and program number of your agency.

The winner's agency will win a:

\$100 Food Bank credit

The runner up agency will win a:

\$50 Food Bank credit

All nomination write-ups will be posted here at the NH Food Bank.

Please email Mysty with your write-ups: myackelshappy@nhfoodbank.org

The contest will be judged by a committee from the NH Food Bank, with the winners being announced at the Agency Volunteer Luncheon.

Details on the luncheon will be forthcoming.

Ask Agency Relations

Q. Why are all the days crossed out on the Scheduler on Agency Express?

A. When you go to the Scheduler on Agency Express, you need to choose "Pickup" in the drop down menu of the reservation box. If you do not choose that first, then everything in the Date pop-out box will be crossed off. If you choose "Pickup" and still nothing is available, try refreshing your screen. The only dates that will be available are those that are between 2 business days and 9 calendar days out. As always, if you have any questions, please call Mysty at 669-9725 x240.

Did You Know???

- ◇ **Figure skating was initially part of the Summer Olympics.**
 Before the advent of the Winter Olympics in 1924, men's, women's and pairs figure skating events were part of the programs for the 1908 and 1920 Summer Olympics. Ice hockey also made its Olympic debut at the 1920 Summer Games.
- ◇ **The first Olympian to fail a drug test was busted for drinking beer.**
 Olympic drug testing debuted in 1968, and Swedish pentathlete Hans-Gunnar Liljenwall was first to test positive for a banned substance. His drug? Two beers he said he downed to "calm his nerves" before the pistol shoot. The disqualified Liljenwall and his teammates were forced to return their bronze medals. (Fellow pentathlete Hans-Jurgen Todt could have used something to calm down as well. The West German attacked his horse after it balked three times at jumping obstacles.)
- ◇ **America's first female Olympic champion had no idea she was even competing in the Summer Games.**
 While studying art under Edgar Degas and Auguste Rodin in Paris in 1900, 22-year-old American Margaret Abbott saw an advertisement for a golf tournament and decided to enter. After shooting a 47 on the nine-hole course, she won the tourney and took home a porcelain bowl. Unbeknownst to Abbott, the tournament she had entered was part of the poorly organized Paris Games, and she had just become the first American woman to win an Olympic event.