

# FISH Newsletter

April 2010



## B L O O M a n d G R O W

*Ah Spring.....a season full of celebrations, all of them reflecting the beauty of renewal in nature and genuine hope for a new beginning. Longer days and the additional hours of sunlight are enough to convince even the worst pessimist that Spring is finally here! Rain nourishes the earth and the sun calls us to celebrate the feisty beauty of crocuses that relentlessly bloom each Spring despite the daily problems of the world. Poverty, financial woes and, for the clients of FISH Food Pantry, hunger. As the lines of unemployment grow, the lines of struggling adults and families in need of food continue to grow at FISH.*

**Our mission at FISH of McHenry Food Pantry is to serve our neighbors by giving them some relief with basic everyday needs and offer hope for a new beginning.**

### Shower the People!

Thank You to the following organizations for recent Winter Food Drives. Your efforts will help to sprinkle a little sunshine to many needy adults and children!!!

- Catalyst of McHenry County
- Knights of Columbus of Johnsburg
- Boys Scout Troops of McHenry
- First United Methodist Church of McHenry

### In February & March 2010

FISH Volunteers helped:  
922 Families  
1680 Adults  
1217 Children  
\$11,190.00 Vouchers  
4456 Bags of Food

Special Thanks for your EGGSTRAORDINARY donations & support!



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Holy Apostles Church  
Lions Club of McHenry

### Celebrate Spring!



### Upcoming Events!

Stamp Out Hunger  
Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Local Postal Carriers will be collecting non-perishable bags of food at your mailboxes. Please remember to check for expiration dates before donating food!

The Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00 – 11:30am in the McHenry Township Bldg. 3703 N. Richmond Road, (Rt. 31) rear lower level.

Please contact FISH at:

815-344-4717

Mail donations to:

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