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FISH Newsletter



May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right.

Peter Marshall



A Special Tribute to a Special Couple

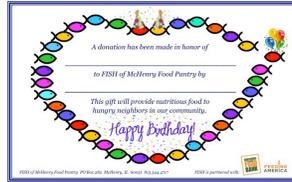
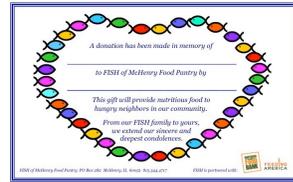
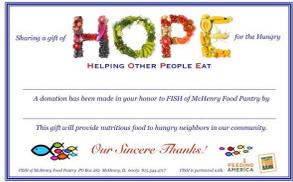
Earlier this Spring, a new bench was installed on the east end of the food pantry honoring our longtime volunteers, Joe & Eileen Tuckey. They both worked many years for FISH, but Eileen decided to retire shortly after we moved to the township basement. Sadly, Eileen passed away this past January and our volunteers decided to take up a collection for a bench in their name to honor their many hours of service together at FISH.

Joe & Eileen were married for 68 years and had 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren, many who came to help out at the pantry over the years. The photo inset is of their wedding day was on their 2014 Christmas card with the phrase, "Let Love Shine in Every Smile and Live in Every Heart at Christmas."

Joe has been a weekly volunteer now for 24 years at FISH. He turned 94 in March and still shows up faithfully and willing to take on any daily tasks we have for him. He does need to leave early at times to fill in for bridge games at the Senior Center or play golf with his daughter, Ann, on Thursdays. *Joe, it is truly a pleasure and an honor for all of us at FISH to continue to have you as our fellow volunteer each week!*

Special thanks to our local schools, churches, businesses and organizations for all of the food & fund drives over the past few months. We appreciate your continued support!

Honor and Memorial Cards Now Available at FISH



Honor someone special in your life with one of our full color 5 x 7 Cards for 2015 for a minimum \$25 donation per honoree. The 3 choices available are a HOPE Honor Card, a FISH Heart "In Memory" Card and a FISH Heart "Happy Birthday" Card. When sending a donation, please be sure to inform us of the card you have chosen and send the mailing information for the recipient or family of the recipient. Your gift will provide nutritious food to hungry neighbors in our community. Every \$10 donated will buy \$80 of food from Northern Illinois Food Bank. Donation Cards are available through our website at www.fishofmchenry.org using PayPal or a credit card. Please leave a note with your recipient's information when you click on "designate food or capital fund" in the "review your donation" section before submitting.

In April 2015
FISH served **667 Families**
In May 2015
FISH served **604 Families**
On average, families are now given at least 5 - 6 generous bags of food which is equivalent to approximately **over 7500 Bags of Food!**



Saturday, July 25th 2015
McHenry Township Park
Annual charity softball tournament with food, raffle prizes, face painting and fun for the whole family! Gates open at 4:00pm. Ceremony & game at 5:00pm.
All proceeds benefit FISH!



School's Out for Summer!

School is out which means no school lunches and more hungry children are home for daily meals. Food drives and donations also slow down over the summer months. Please consider FISH if your organization would like to host a food or funds drive. Check our website for ideas and a FISH Fundraising Kit at www.fishofmchenry.org

The Food Pantry is open on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**
9:00 - 11:30am

3rd Tuesday of each month
4:30pm - 6:30pm

3515 N. Richmond Road (Rt. 31)
Behind the McHenry Moose Lodge & across from the McHenry Township Senior Center

Please contact FISH at:
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