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**Current Pantry Needs**

- Juice
- Coffee & Tea
- Canned Fruit
- Cold Cereal
- Toilet Paper
- Toothpaste/Brushes
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent



## News From The Executive Director

With the arrival of Spring, we've added a new crop of directors to our board. Mike Fraser, Kristin Blake, Beth Morrison, Lori Lankhorst and Karen Ebert have all signed on for three year terms. I am delighted to have them, and look forward to working with them to fulfill EAFB's mission.

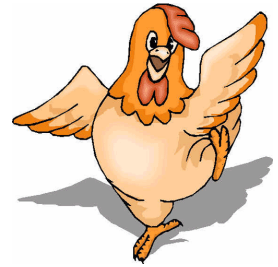
The past few months have been immensely fulfilling as I've gotten to be out in the community meeting with some of the wonderful people who support our mission. I was fortunate to spend several days working with a group of young people from Meadowlark Ridge Elementary on a "kindness project". I was able to participate in several activities at the school. A highlight was being on hand to accept 383 bottles of shampoo and conditioner for use by our clients. The entire school participated and the generous donation filled the bed of our truck (photo below).

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to invite all of you to our upcoming event. We're hosting "Dinner In The Warehouse" on April 12th from 5:30 to 7:30. We'll be serving The Brookville Hotel's world famous chicken. Tickets are \$25 for adults, and \$10 for children under 12. This come and go event is an opportunity to visit the Food Bank, talk with the staff and board, and eat a delicious chicken dinner! Take out will be available too. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you. I hope you'll come and join us. Thanks to each of you for all that you do to support Emergency Aid Food Bank's mission. I appreciate each and every one of you! -Michael



## Chicken Dinner in The Warehouse!

If you haven't already purchased your tickets for our **April 12th** Fundraiser, don't wait any longer. You won't want to miss this come-and-go event. Take a tour of our facility, then join the board and staff for dinner. From 5:30-7:30 we'll be serving World Famous Chicken Dinners catered by the Brookville Hotel. Tickets are \$25 for adults, and \$10 for children 12 and under. Carry-out orders are also available. Contact any of the Food Bank staff or board to purchase tickets!



**Project Salina** kicks off its 28th year on April 19th. During the month of May, nearly 200 local businesses participate in collecting and donating money and non-perishable food items to benefit Ashby House, Salvation Army, Emergency Aid/Food Bank, Salina Rescue Mission and DVACK. For more information about Project Salina, check out their Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/Project-Salina](http://www.facebook.com/Project-Salina). Collecting nearly 300,000 items annually, **Project Salina** keeps the shelves at the Food Bank full all year long! We are so grateful for their support and could not do what we do without this annual event.

**Volunteers-Ellie Feuerborn and Mary Ann Lay** recently completed terms on EAFB's board of directors. Executive Director, Michael Chambers said, "We are so grateful for the contributions they made to the mission of the Food Bank as board members. Fortunately they are both part of our Friday afternoon pantry crew so are still highly involved at the Food Bank on a weekly basis." Feuerborn and Lay were recently presented with plaques as a token of appreciation for their service. Feuerborn and Chambers are pictured in the upper right and Lay is pictured with Chambers in the lower left.



**Dane G. Hansen Foundation Makes \$25,500 Grant to EAFB**-The Logan, Kansas based Dane G. Hansen Foundation has made a \$25,500 grant for the purchase a box truck. Executive Director, Michael Chambers said "I am absolutely delighted that Dane G. Hansen Foundation trustees chose our project for funding. Each week we pick up thousands of pounds of donations from local grocers. Our current process is labor intensive and time consuming. Securing this grant and purchasing the truck allows us to make major process improvements. We are so grateful to the Dane G. Hansen Foundation for helping us in this way!" The 2013 Chevy truck was purchased on March 12th, and is already being used in our daily runs.

**Ways of Giving**-There are a variety of ways donors can support Emergency Aid Food Bank and its programs. Gifts of real estate, cash, stock and securities are all welcome. If you are interested in discussing how making a planned gift can benefit you and EAFB, please contact us Michael at 785/827-7111. We would enjoy the opportunity to discuss with you how an estate gift can make a lasting impact on the Food Bank and support our mission for many years to come.



**Match Madness**-Thank you to everyone who participated in helping to build Emergency Aid/Food Bank's endowment by making a gift during GSCF's Match Madness event on March 15th. More than \$274,000 was raised for local charities during the one day event. 47 people made gifts totaling more than \$7,196 to benefit EAFB. This year's event included a Free Throw Shooting Contest. EAFB Board member, Austin Hop-pock represented the Food Bank at the stripe, successfully sinking a couple of buckets to add to the endowment. Gifts to EAFB's endowment are invested at the Greater Salina Community Foundation. A portion of the funds are available to the Food Bank on an annual basis and are utilized for capital improvements and operating expenses. The remainder of the funds are left to grow, ensuring that EAFB is able to fulfill its mission for many years to come. Gifts to the endowment can be made at anytime, but are matched only at this event!