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Spoonfuls of Plenty Food Drive a Success!

CARO, MI: Walbro Engine Management in Cass City had already sponsored two meals for the Human Development Commission Spoonfuls of Plenty FREE Community Meal, when Shelli Herford, HR Manager stated that they wanted to do some sort of challenge between Walbro and TI Automotive in Caro.

Shortly after that conversation we realized that in 2013, Christmas Day and New Years Day both would fall on Wednesdays. That would mean Spoonfuls would be closed two weeks in a row, and never experiencing that before, it really tugged at our heart strings. So, we came up with a challenge for the two automotive businesses! During the month of November employees from both groups would collect items for spaghetti dinners. Each individual bag would contain 1 box of spaghetti, 1 jar of sauce, 1 canned vegetable & 1 canned fruit.

Now, Walbro and TI have a very competitive nature between the two of them, and the goal was to have both businesses collect enough food for 240 dinners. Right now our average weekly attendance at Spoonfuls of Plenty is 110-120 dinners each Wednesday. The thought was that if they brought in 240 bags, we could give each person/family that came in to eat on December 18th (the last meal before the two week shut down) 2 bags to take home with them, to cover those two weeks. Well, each company went above and beyond that goal! TI Automotive won the challenge by bringing in 258 bags and Walbro brought in a total of 210 bags, for a combined total of 468 bags of food for the spaghetti dinner!

Along with Walbro and TI Automotive, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cass City, also contributed to our spaghetti dinner food drive and brought in an astounding 50 bags!

Our most sincere thanks and admiration go out to all three groups and all who were involved in making this food drive such a success. If you see someone from Walbro Engine Management, TI Automotive, or Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, tell them thank you for being so generous and helping so many people in Tuscola County!

The Spoonfuls of Plenty FREE community meal is held each Wednesday from 4 – 6 p.m. at the LeeRoy Clark Center, located at 435 Green Street in Caro.

If you would like more information on how you can sponsor a meal at Spoonfuls of Plenty or would like to get your group involved in some way, please contact Jamie Reinke at 989-553-4034.

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