

Food for Thought

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New Volunteer Services Committee

There have been many behind the scenes changes in the past few months. We moved to new offices, and installed new computers, software and printers all purchased with a grant from the Erie Community Foundation.

All of it is in preparation to help grow Metro-Erie Meals On Wheels in its service to more seniors in more ways.

With an expansion in our mission, change is inevitable. Indeed, can we get better without change? But every change affects the very volunteers who make this organization what it is.

So, starting in January, we will begin a Volunteer Services Committee comprised of two volunteers from GECAC routes, one from MEMOW routes, Wendy and me. We will meet monthly to discuss our plans, get your ideas and input, and talk about how best to implement changes.

Inaugural members of the Volunteer Services Committee are Leon Akus (MEMOW), Karen Hein and Lenny Pernice (GECAC).

***Happy Holidays from
Wendy and Terry!***



Volunteer Handbook



A new Volunteer Handbook is being produced and will be available in about a week. Primarily created for our new volunteers, there is good information for those most experienced, too. Besides the basics like our Mission, Who We Serve, and Our Meal Programs, you will find other subjects like Insurance and Liability, what to do in Emergency Situations, and other helpful guidelines for every volunteer. Look for it at your pick up site soon.

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Spotlight on Harborcreek

Did you know that a GECAC truck delivers food to the Northwest Savings Bank in Harborcreek every day? Our Harborcreek Team could use ***one more volunteer*** each week to fill a spot for a retired volunteer.

If you know someone who could volunteer for MEMOW and lives in the Harborcreek area, please let them know we need them!

Paul Jenkins writes newspaper article

Paul and Kathy Jenkins have been volunteering in Harborcreek for about a year now. Paul is a retired photographer for the Erie Times-News and is a contributing writer. On Thanksgiving Day a wonderful article appeared, written by Paul, titled *Feeling thankful: Delivering for Meals on Wheels turns out to be a great blessing*. Here's just one short excerpt:

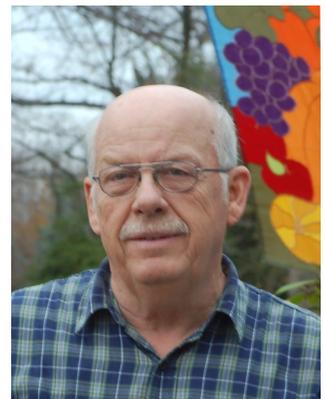
“Our Meals on Wheels route takes about an hour and really provides lots of satisfaction and a great appreciation for those who have it so much harder

than us. When first starting, we just hoped to be a blessing to others, but as it turned out, the people we serve have been a much greater blessing to us.”

I urge you to read his article on delivering.

You can find the article online at:

<http://www.goerie.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2011311249996>



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