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**AUGUST 2016** 

#### **A BUSY SUMMER**

Summer is really starting off strong. We've been busy with several different activities and want to thank the following for sponsoring several events for us: Black Hills Community Bank for hosting their 6th Annual Diaper Drive; M.G. Oil Company for hosting their annual Golf Tournament, and Johnson Brothers Beverage Company and Surly Brewing Company for hosting an alcohol-free barbecue and block party for us. We appreciate everyone's support and desire to come alongside us to support the neediest in our community. And, on August 13, we will host our 4th annual 5k Run/Walk at Sioux Park – come on out and join us – runners, walkers and spectators are all welcome!!

Cornerstone Staff attended the 11th Annual Homeless Summit to discuss the importance of servant leadership and best ways to serve our clients. While all segments of the homeless population were targeted, special attention was given to homeless veterans and homeless youth, with a review of all the resources that can assist these homeless individuals across the state. There are a lot of dedicated people who really want to make a difference in the lives of homeless individuals and we are proud to be part of this group!

We've also been very blessed to have several volunteer and youth groups come and help us this summer with a variety of projects. And, our guests have also been busy working with their case managers to find jobs and housing in the community, and are feeling very good about themselves. Many good things are happening in all of our programs and at all five of our sites.

We hope you are having a good summer as well!

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### COME GET YOUR CREPES

Cornerstone guests are making and selling crepes on Thursdays at Summer Nights.

Come get your crepes before the summer slips away!





**Rhonda Pearcy** Kitchen Manager

#### A NEW MANAGER FOR THE KITCHEN

We want to welcome Rhonda Pearcy to the Cornerstone staff in the important and challenging role of Kitchen Manager. Rhonda will be overseeing all the daily operations of the kitchen, which puts out three meals a day every day. Luckily Cornerstone is blessed with many church groups and other groups that provide and serve most of the evening and weekend meals.

Rhonda is a very active member of Fountain Springs Church and comes to us after teaching at Wilson Elementary School for seven years. Before that she worked in church administration positions.

Rhonda grew up in Florida and eventually came to Rapid City in 2004 with her husband, Dave, who is retired from the Air Force. She and Dave have two sons and two granddaughters. Some of Rhonda's hobbies are cooking, serving others, and she is known for her organization skills.

I asked Rhonda what she likes best about working at Cornerstone and she said getting to know the people of Cornerstone and hearing their stories. Her goal is to build relationships with people through food.

We are so excited to have Rhonda. She has already made positive changes in the kitchen and we can't wait to see what she does next! **Welcome Rhonda!** 









#### SUMMER HELP TO THE RESCUE

We Love Summer Help! We have lots of groups that come to us in the summer wanting to help out any way they can. So far this summer we have had people painting, sheet-rocking, cleaning, sorting donations, playing with the kids, cooking, serving food, doing yard work, and the list goes on. Their energy and smiles are infectious. There are so many projects Cornerstone simply would not get done were it not for Summer Help.

We want to thank our Summer Help and all of our volunteers for the many hours they donate to Cornerstone!





## 6TH ANNUAL DIAPER DRIVE CONTINUES TO GROW

The Black Hills Community Bank, along with generous support from the community, has again exceeded their goal. This year the Bank set a goal of collecting 30,000 diapers during the month of June. When the final numbers came in, the totals showed 7,522 diapers and \$9,421 in cash, which equals a grand total of 44,323 diapers! Some large donations of diapers came in from the NOSH Mobile Eatery, A-Z Shredding, and Cathedral of our Lady of Perpetual Help. All these diapers are an enormous help to the families and single women who utilize the daycare.

Cornerstone says THANK YOU to Black Hills Community Bank and to all the people of this community who supported this very important annual drive – THANK YOU!

#### **SURLY COOKS UP A PARTY**

On June 18th the Surly Brewing Company, Johnson Brothers Beverage Company, and the Independent Ale House brought a family-friendly block party to Cornerstone and we sure did have fun! They grilled hotdogs and hamburgers, and even brought in a live band. Sysco Foods and the Pepsi Bottling Company helped provide the food/drink. The weather was good, the food was delicious, and the 250+ guests had a great time eating, visiting, and enjoying the music! Surly is talking about making it an annual event so watch for our 2017 date. As an added surprise, the Independent Ale House also made a nice donation to Cornerstone.

They were such a fun group and we are so thankful for our newfound friends!



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Please remember Cornerstone when you have extra garden produce this summer. Donations can be brought to 30 Main Street at any time. Thanks!

## P Meeds List

#### MEN'S MISSION

30 Main St.
KITCHEN:

Fruits & Vegetables, coffee, sugar, creamer, oatmeal, butter, milk, eggs, meat, food of any kind

#### **MISSION:**

Twin-sized blankets and fitted sheets, Toothbrushes/paste, deodorant, razors, travel-size shampoo, backpacks

#### **VETERANS**

30 Main St.
Shaving cream & razors, shoes & boots, backpacks, underwear & T-shirts, coffee

#### WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME

301 Fox Run Drive
Laundry & dishwasher
soap pods
Laundry baskets
Dressers
Bookshelves
Twin-size rubberbacked mattress
pads, Cleaning
supplies
Coffee & creamer

#### **APARTMENTS**

Dish soap
household cleaners
ADOPT A FAMILY: Gas
cards, oil changes,
laundry & dish
soap, toilet paper,
household things

### DEAR ONES CHILD CARE

2901 Wisconsin Avenue
Baby wipes & pull-ups
Food processor
Canned or fresh fruits
& vegetables
Infant swing
Infant bouncer
Hand or electric air
pump
Small microwave

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