



The Heartbeat of The Mission

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Faces of Cornerstone

Every day donations are dropped off at the dock of our thrift store, food pantry voucher cards are given out, people ride in our vehicles to job sites, furniture is picked up from the community, a prayer group is held, case managers work together from multiple social service agencies to put together a plan to help someone in need or a fundraiser is lead by dedicated community members wanting to make a difference.

It amazes me when I look at the faces of Cornerstone; how hundreds of people interact every day throughout our facilities and in the community to alleviate the impact of homelessness. For some it is just a hot

meal and a cup of coffee and for others generational poverty proves to be the bigger hurdle in overcoming homelessness. No matter what kind of support you give us, you are one of the 'faces of Cornerstone'.

With our shelters full and the need for a new kitchen, we could not continue without you. Thank you and please continue to walk along side us in this journey.

Thanks again and God Bless,

Lisa Swallow
Executive Director

M.G. Oil Company, Inc. Sponsors another Success!

The 3rd Annual "Homeless but not Hopeless" Golf Tournament, sponsored by M.G. Oil Company/ Corner Pantry was a huge success. There were 28 teams, 112 total golfers participated in the tournament held at the Elks Golf Course. M.G. Oil's General Manager, Dave Kulish, had an idea for a customer appreciation event which would benefit Cornerstone. He wanted a fun event, something that people would want to participate in and he also wanted a way to give back to the community. With all the charitable organizations

there are, Cornerstone was so pleased to be chosen. Participation in the tournament is by invitation to affiliates and associates of M.G. Oil. The weather was outstanding, pin prizes were great, and everyone reported to have a very good time. The total amount raised by the tournament for Cornerstone was \$13,540.14. Cornerstone Rescue Mission thanks M.G. Oil Company and all the many sponsors for giving their time and donations. For a list of all sponsors for this event, please take a look at Cornerstone's website: cornerstonemission.org.



Dave Kulish and Tammy Young from MG Oil present check to Jim and Lisa.

God's Little Dear Ones

Susan and her daughter Anne came to Dear Ones Child Care in the spring of this year. Susan is enrolled in a treatment center and was looking for a safe place for her child while she goes to her recovery program. Both mother and daughter needed the assurance that Dear Ones was



the right choice, and after a tour and spending some time there, they both decided it was right. The happy children's laughter and the big back yard helped them make that decision. Anne's first day was a little hard, but soon she was playing and enjoying herself along with the rest of the children. The staff began to notice that every day Anne was more willing to participate in activities and no longer hung back afraid to join in.

While staff was excited to see the changes in Anne, it was Susan, her mother's changes that were even more noticeable. She had always appeared to be a very attentive mom, but it was her care of Anne and herself that really

began to change. As she neared the end of her time at the treatment facility, she began looking for employment. Every time she shared a milestone or a successful outcome with staff, they had a mini celebration with her, congratulating her on her consistency and hard work. She was

smiling brightly on the day of graduation, announcing that she had also found housing for her and Anne. Isn't it amazing how just a little encouragement can make such a difference in someone's life? She works everyday to better herself and to make a better life for her and her daughter. Anne is still enrolled in Dear Ones Child Care and still making her own little improvements. She is caring for the younger ones, helping them with coloring, crafts and food at meal times. Both mother and daughter are finding that new life is possible with change. God's word tells us in 2 Corinthians 5:7 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! NIV*

They do LOVE Rapid City

Summertime blessings flow through the love of volunteers. We are so blessed to have many people volunteer at the various locations, such as helping with childcare, special projects, and processing donations at the Thrift Store. Once again, volunteer groups gathered for their city wide volunteer efforts called "Love Rapid City". The Groups are made up of people from two area churches - Fountain Springs Community Church and Crossroads Wesleyan. Combined they were able to provide 593 individual volunteers who went out into the community working at 22 nonprofit organizations. A total of 2,543 serving hours were logged in just one week. We are so grateful to them for all the work they did for Cornerstone Rescue Mission.

Another summer volunteer group is Youth Works, a nonprofit organization of junior high and high school students serving Christ through community service work. Trained Service Coordinators lead the kids on mission trips to 78 sites around the country. Youth Works leaders welcome a new group of 40 to 60 students to the Rapid City site each week from early June to early August. Nationwide, some 39,000 students are expected to participate during the course of this summer. Their help and work at the Thrift Store has been incredible, and we don't know what we would do without the help of the volunteers who Love Rapid City and Cornerstone Rescue Mission.

Kitchen Remodel Update:

Cornerstone will lease the Parkway Restaurant, 312 East Blvd., Rapid City effective August 1st through the duration of the kitchen remodel at the mission, 30 Main Street.

Groups will cook and serve their meals at the Parkway, and if you have any questions, please call Morris or Mary at 341-2844, Thank You!



Fourth of July Celebration

One of summer's major celebrations is Independence Day. It provides us the opportunity to remember the men and women who have so faithfully served our country. Through times of peace and times of war, the men and women in uniform have devoted their time and energy, and for some there was never a hero's celebration. For many the violence they experienced has forever changed their lives. Here at Cornerstone, in concert with the Veteran's Administration we house up to 60 veterans in our transitional housing program. The aim of this program is for resident veterans to live independently, enjoy stable mental health, and sustained recovery. On this Fourth of July the Cornerstone Veterans (pictured here) were treated



to root beer floats in our Veteran's Outreach Center. Please remember when you give to Cornerstone you give back to those who bravely gave of themselves for us.

Special Recognition

We want to give special recognition to Lowes for choosing Cornerstone Rescue Mission for their annual Lowes Heroes Program. Lowes donated 35 items for our use in maintenance and repairs of our facilities. Some of the items included were a Combination Belt & Disc Table Sander, a Band Saw and Skill Saw, Drills, lumber, etc. We thank you so very much – Lowes! The Jolly Llamas raised funds for Cornerstone at their Annual Fundraising

Concert. The concert was held at Summer Nights on July 5th. Post 320 also generously donated part of the proceeds from their recent games with Post 22 to four local charities, and we were blessed to be one of the organizations receiving funds.

We want to thank these and all previous supporters for your generosity!

Community gets behind Diaper Drive for Dear Ones

On Friday, June 29th players from the RUSH Hockey Team appeared at the Black Hills Community Bank to participate in the last day of the month long Diaper Drive for Dear Ones. Anyone who brought in a box of diapers or made a monetary donation could



Riley Weselowski, Danny Battochio and Tim Boron sign autographed photos for kids from Dear Ones

have their photo taken with the players. The goal for the drive was 25,000 diapers or the equivalent in cash. The media, including the local TV stations, helped spread the word and the community came out in force to help the cause. We are pleased to announce that the total donations of money and diapers amounted to the equivalent of 25,031 diapers. Jack E. Lynass, President/CEO of Black Hills Community Bank came with members of the Bank's Community Involvement Committee to deliver the diapers. This is the 2nd Annual Diaper Drive and we appreciate the Black Hills Community Bank for their proud support of the Cornerstone Mission and Dear Ones Child Care. The babies and toddlers from Dear Ones Child Care want to thank everyone who participated in the Diaper Drive from the bottom of their... hearts!

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Needs List

MEN'S MISSION

Coffee, creamer, sugar
Ketchup • Cheeses – any kind
Canned Fruit • Tomato Sauce/Tomato Soup
Spaghetti Sauce & Bar-b-q Sauce • Drink mixes, any kind
Egg noodles & macaroni noodles
(No spaghetti noodles-thanks!)
Flat Sheets (any size) • Fitted Twin Sheets • Pillows

VETERANS

Phone cards, gas cards, bus passes • Shoes & boots, sizes 10-13

WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME

Powdered Automatic & Regular Dish soap
Q-tips, feminine products
Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels
Deodorant, hair brushes • Digital Thermometer
Tall Kitchen trash bags • Large black trash bags • Dryer sheets
Shampoo & Conditioner • Baby Lotion & Shampoo
Ground beef • Sugar • Coffee • Coffee Creamer

APARTMENTS

Picnic Table • Bulk Laundry & Dish Soap
Kitchen and large black trash bags
Shower curtains, rods, & rings • Quart size Ziploc bags
Paper towels, napkins, tissue, toilet paper
Twin/Queen size mattress pads
Smoker's Outposts • Gas cards & bus passes

DEAR ONES CHILD CARE

Powdered Formula- Soy & Milk Based
Wal-Mart card, grocery cards • Baby Wipes & toddler bibs
Crib sheets • Shoe box size storage containers
Laundry soap & Glass Magic or Power UP for dishwasher
Floor Model Johnny Jump Up • Cleaning supplies, bleach, Odo Ban
Bumbo chair & Boppies for infants • Books (school age children)

THRIFT STORE

Rubber bands • ¾" masking tape • Space bags
Rechargeable AA & AAA Batteries
2-way radios with rechargeable batteries
Name badge supplies (lanyards, plastic badge covers without pins).
Gallon size Ziplocs Bag

FACILITIES

Propane powered warehouse forklift • 2 Pallet Jacks
Combination Truck/Ladder Rack for long box pickup
2 - 8 ft. Fiberglass Step Ladders
36 ft. Fiberglass Extension Ladder



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(The enclosed envelope is for your convenience. We are serving more people every day. Your help is appreciated!)