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Calvary Food Pantry: Thank you to all our Auburn-area helpers

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In this historical town, volunteering is an act of fellowship and faith. I have to thank the following people who make sure my pantry stays open all year-round:

- David Wilcox, Lake Life editor of The Citizen, who makes this dialogue with the community possible and his unique creation of the list of pantries and soup kitchens help so many people. Thank you, David.
- The Faatz-Crofut Home, where our garden is located across the street, and where each spring and summer, we plant and maintain our vegetables with the undivided attention of our head gardener, Vicky J.M., and administrator Elizabeth B.
- My RSVP volunteers and pantry staff.
- The Rescue Produce Program at The Food Bank of CNY.

But I would be remiss without telling the community of the extraordinary efforts this year by individuals, churches and business who give to the hungry people in our community by helping provide the 94,079 meals a year the pantry disperses.

Here is my yearly list of thanks for the pantry's year-round support:

- Turkey baskets were given out at Thanksgiving from Auburn Armature, WoodmanLife, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Auburn United Methodist Church, St. Luke's United Church of Christ and, of course, First Presbyterian Church, which organized the Turkey Trot.
- Individuals, 290 of whom wish to remain anonymous. Thank you. Alphabetically:

Assemblyman Gary Finch's office

Active Solutions Physical Therapy
Afc Four Committee
Aldi's
The Allyn Foundation
AmeriCU Credit Union
Auburn Correctional Facility
Auburn Documents
Auburn Kiwanis
Auburn leadership
Auburn Public Theater
Bed, Bath and Beyond
The Boyle Center
The Boy Scouts' November can drive
Brew Funeral Home
Buffalo Wild Wings
Builder's Choice Lumber Co.
Byrne Dairy
Casey Park School
Calvary Food Pantry Board of Directors
Calvary Food Pantry volunteers who give all year long
Cannon Pools
Case Unlimited
Cayuga Centers
Cayuga Community College criminal justice students
Chapel House
Cayuga Community Fund
Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency, NOEP
Church Women United
Churches who donate throughout the year: Auburn Alliance Church, Auburn United Methodist Church, Auburn Church of the Nazarene, Fleming Federated Church, First Presbyterian, Half Acre Union Church, Sacred Heart, St. Alphonus, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Hyacinth, SS. Peter & John, St. Nicholas, St. Luke's, United Church of Auburn, St. Mary's, SS. Mary and Martha Parish, Auburn Unitarian Universalist Society, Westminster Presbyterian Church
Columbian Rope Foundation
Consentino's Florist
Crowley Glass
CSEA
Currier Plastics
D.E. French Foundation
Dermody, Burke & Brown
Denny's restaurant
Dr. John A. Riccio
Diagnostics Images
Emerson Foundation
Excellus
Family Video

The farmers market, which helps me with produce each summer
Fidelis
The Fingerlakes Mall Midnight Madness event
First Niagara Bank
First Presbyterian Church Quilt Show
Genesee School
George Winston Concert
Goulds Pump
Home Depot
Hospice of the Finger Lakes
Jacob's Press
The Knights of Columbus
Kings Ferry Food Pantry
Kinney Drugs, State Street and Owasco Street
Lakeside Trading
The Liberty Store
Herman Avenue Elementary School
Lowe's
M&T Bank
Maggies Pies & Pasta
Susan May concert
Medent Community Computer Services
New Hope Mills
NUCOR
The Owasco School
PALS Organization
Panera Bread's weekly donation of baked goods
Pizza Hut
Port Byron student government
Petco
Prison City Ramblers
Rick Martinez and his Halloween pirate ship
The Roundabout Club
Rotary International
RSVP Volunteer Office
Save-a Lot's manager's special: 100 bags bought by the community
Seneca Cayuga ARC
Seneca Sam's Club
Seward Avenue School
SK Post 1324
The Stanley Metcalf Foundation
Sun Auto
Sunking Electronics
Taco Bell
Tops Friendly Markets
Tops 625 Weight Loss

Tompkins Trust Bank
The CNY TomatoFest
The town of Owasco
Union Springs ShurFine
UnitedHealthcare
U.S. Post Office's yearly food drive
Unity House of Cayuga County
Unity House drop-in center
Utopia Club
Wal-Mart
Wegmans
Welch Allyn Foundation
WoodmenLife insurance
The Yarn Shop
XYLEM

Thank you for your help.

My families are still hungry, but I am comforted with the assistance from the Auburn community, all year long. My pantry perseveres, and I am glad for the help from many who contribute. I look forward to thanking you in person.

Remember please: Volunteer, donate or reciprocate, in kind, by giving back.

Auburn quilt show, turning 10, to patch together more Calvary Food Pantry aid

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Quilters Barbara Mulvey, Judy Eddy, Pat Messina, 2008

A local late January tradition, the Winter Wonderland of Quilts Show turns 10 this Saturday.

The show, presented by the local Scrap Happy Quilt Group, takes place from noon to 4 p.m. Jan. 30 at First Presbyterian Church, 112 South St., Auburn.

The show will feature quilts by area quilters, as well as ones donated to the Child Advocacy Center of Cayuga County. In all, organizers traditionally drape about 100 quilts over the church's pews.

Admission to the show is free with a donation to the Calvary Food Pantry.

"It's just a group of friends who happen to like to quilt," Scrap Happy friend Bonnie Crosby told The Citizen in 2012. "Of course, the winner here is the food pantry."

Last year's show collected 238 foot items and \$116 for the pantry. The Scrap Happy Quilt Group also donated 12 quilts to the Child Advocacy Center.