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FOOD WAGON DELIVERS TO NORTHLAND (BY RICK BUTLER)

The 371 items placed in the wagon in April have been delivered to the Barry Christian Church. Barry has a very active food pantry and our donations come at a time when their pantry stock was unusually low.

Toward the BVCC goal of 3000 items by the end of 2011 your April contributions move the remaining number to 2212 items.

Thank you for your generosity and diligence each month in filling the wagon to overflowing. Thanks to Jim Johnson for counting and bagging the items and to the Men's Bible Study group for loading the delivery vehicle.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FROM THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army Olathe Corps and the Johnson County Family Lodge would like to extend our gratitude for always coming to meet our needs. Be it bell-ringing efforts, Lodge or pantry needs, your church is a constant support for our programs. Such contributions allow us to meet the needs of Johnson County families who find themselves in a crisis situation and turn to us for Emergency Assistance.

Faithful volunteers, like you, enable us to keep these families nourished, energized and more importantly encouraged. Your generosity demonstrates that they are not forgotten and boosts the teamwork of our outreach services to more families.

Thank you for the donations of time and efforts, and we look forward to your continued support.

Mindia McManness, Community Resource Coordinator

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(BY AARON JAMISON)

Check out the blogs and discussions on the Blue Valley Christian Church website and Facebook pages:

Recent BVCC blog articles include:

- House of the Risen Son (added 4/7/2011)
- The Little Wagon That Could (added 3/14/2011)



The recent "Join the Discussion" questions include:

- Name a movie or two that you think raises faith issues. Name the issues. (added 5/14/2011)
- Using the metaphor of computer (or email, twitter) how would you describe God? (added 5/7/2011)
- Of these religious vocabulary words which one(s) are most difficult to understand full: God, Christ, Trinity, salvation, crucifixion, resurrection, faith, forgiveness, justice, peace? (added 4/30/2011)
- Bring Us Together (added 4/26/2011)
- It has been observed that faith is "better caught than taught." Do you agree? In what ways? (added 4/23/2011)
- How can faith development of children and youth be strengthened by cooperation of church and home? What do you see as the specific roles of each? (added 4/16/11)
- Do you have a sacred or special place you regularly go to communicate with or to experience God? (added 4/3/2011)
- Have you ever read the sacred texts of another religion? (added 3/27/2011)

Aaron Jamison, BVCC Website and Facebook Site Coordinator has set up a new shortcut URL for those who visit the BVCC Facebook site regularly.

Check out <http://www.facebook.com/bluevcc>.

GREETINGS FROM TALL OAKS

Tall Oaks is in need of two golf carts before summer. A donation of a golf cart to Tall Oaks would be greatly appreciated. However, if someone has a golf cart they would be interested in selling at a reasonable price, Tall Oaks would also consider this option. Gas units are preferred, but electric would be OK too. The carts do not have to be new, but having them in fairly good operating condition would be helpful.

For more information about this donation request, contact Lyle Bracken, Director of Tall Oaks at lyle@talloaks.org or call 913-301-3004 and ask for Lyle.



WOMEN OF FAITH

Just a reminder: Women of Faith will continue to meet on Tuesday from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM through the end of the month, May 31.



Thank you to all the musicians who provided the special music (vocals and chimes) on Palm Sunday and Resurrection Sunday.



Thank you to Veronica Sutton who provided the following picture of the Children's Worship and Wonder program provided on Resurrection Sunday by Lisa Engelken, Family of Faith Minister

BVCC welcomes Diane Ahern, recent addition to the Landscape Volunteer Team.

Thank you to Karen Slater, Mark and Kathy Dobbels, and Connie Stokes and Jan Harris cleaning volunteers helping to provide those great "First Impressions" for our visitors.



CONNECT: April 10, 2011

Reader's Theater featuring
Zachariah Taylor (left) and
Brendan Derrickson (right)



CONNECT:
Lenten
Communion Table



Photography by
Rick Butler

MOTHERS' DAY 2011

