

Holiday Drive to Fill Plates and Hearts

By Stefanie Appel
(ALLENTOWN, PA) – The Allentown Rescue Mission is excited to announce its 24th annual Thanks for Giving Food & Supplies Drive, Saturday, November 16th, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The event collects non-perishable food items and supplies to benefit the nearly 1,000 men struggling with homelessness who stay at the Mission throughout the year.

The Mission relies on the fundraiser to feed guests over the holidays and restock pantry shelves for the upcoming year. New this year, the Allentown Rescue Mission has partnered with Josh Early Candies for a one-day, drive through drop-off event at both Josh Early Candies locations in Allentown and Bethlehem. For the convenience of its donors, Allentown Rescue Mission staff and volunteers will be on-site to accept physical and monetary donations in the parking lots. Additionally, the Mission will hold a Meal Match Challenge as part of its Food & Supplies Drive to raise money for nutritious, perishable foods such as fruits, vegetables, and dairy products.

All dollars donated to the Challenge between October 16th - November 30th will have double the impact thanks to a group of generous donors. To participate in the Meal Match Challenge, please contact Marlena at 610-740-5500 x325. For a list of most needed items or to donate online, please visit <https://www.allentownrescuemission.org/thanks-for-giving/>.



Annual Centenarian Luncheon

By Brittney Waylen

EASTON - On October 10th the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board held their Centenarian Luncheon at the Green Pond Country Club. Twenty-nine Northampton County residents, ages 100 to 111, attended with their guests for lunch and a complimentary photo shoot with Dan's Camera City. The Easton High School Band provided musical entertainment.

State Representative Steve Samuelson and representatives from the offices of Lisa Boscola, Joe Emrick and Ann Flood assisted County Executive Lamont McClure in distributing certificates and proclamations to all of the Centenarians in attendance.

The Centenarian Luncheon is an annual event to honor Northampton County residents who are 100 years of age or older. The Centenarians who attended this year are:

Theresa Barczynski	Eileen Gleason	Margaret Maggio
Mary Ellen Becker	Alois Groegler	Winston A. “Bill” Orsinger
Frances Buss	Kathryn Guth	Kenneth Saff
Dorothea Butler	Mary Harris	Claire Smith
Elizabeth Cospier	Rita Higgins-Cramer	Theresa Spagnola
William Diehl	Marie Houle	Muriel Stoops
Louis Donoso	Rita Huttie	Mildred Catherine Strehle
Raymond Dubbs	Rose Knesz	Myra Zoccolla
Jean Dunha	Gladys Kuhns	
Elsie Frey	Ollie Lawson	
	Theda Lewis	



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