

Established 1981

Lamoille Community Food Share

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2018 Newsletter

Volunteers are the Backbone of Lamoille Community Food Share

Our volunteers are a varied group. While many are retired, one of our Board members is a high school student. They all come together with the common goal of helping their neighbors in need. We also need to give a shout out to the many members of the community who volunteer on our behalf organizing food drives, fundraising events and generally spreading the word about us. Some of the special people include:

- Board of Directors: currently eleven people who meet monthly to decide the direction of the organization. They also organize fundraising, organize and attend events, provide outreach to the community, keep the books, and many volunteer weekly in the pantry.
- Our regular pantry volunteers who spend their mornings weekly, monthly or whenever needed, assisting clients in choosing their food, restocking the shelves, and keeping the pantry running.
- Our special morning volunteers who come in at 7 AM just to pick up reclaimed food at Hannaford, weigh, sort, and put these items out for clients.
- Our "pickup" volunteers who are called upon when we need something delivered to the pantry.
- A dedicated group provide financial know how and IT assistance.
- There is also Thanksgiving- folks from all over the county come together to collect turkeys, boxes, canned goods, and the money to buy them.

We have a terrific staff of three part time employees but we would not exist without our volunteers. April is volunteer month and we want to take the time to say THANK YOU!

With that in mind, most of the photos in this edition of our newsletter are of our volunteers.



Our all-volunteer Board of Directors, L-R: Caroline Ballard, Pete Monaco, Karen Loh, Mary Elfer, Josh Ziegler, Joan Greene (President), Darsey Moon, Ellen Waldman, Jan Tichansky, Pam Hammel - Not Present: Trudy Trombley

How to help: Food donations...grocery store gift cards with which we can purchase food...online monetary donations through PayPal at www.lcfoodshare.org.... Gardeners can grow a little extra produce for us. **Non-food donations**...pet food..cleaners of house and person-laundry detergent, shampoo, dish soap, bathroom cleaners...diapers...coffee... **Are you a specialty food producer?** maybe you have extra maple syrup, sauces or jams that could go to our families. Our **LNFP Green Bag Program** offers an easy, ongoing way to donate food - see www.greenbag-lcfoodshare.org for more info.

Please note that we have a policy on only putting food that is still in-date on our shelves

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Our Wish List: Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter, Cereal, Coffee, Soup, Canned Veggies, Tuna, Jelly, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Meats, Canned Beans, Pet Food, Toiletries, Household Cleaning Items.

For more information and collection box locations please check us out on the web, drop us an email, or give us a call:

Our phone number is: **802-888-6550** Our email address is: **lcfoodshare@gmail.com**

If you'd like to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know!

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For pictures, stories, and the latest info visit us on the web at:

www.lcfoodshare.org or **www.facebook.com/Lcfoodshare**

We are located at: 197 Harrel St. in Morrisville, at the corner with Munson Ave.

Hours of Operation: M-F 9:00-11:30 Sat 9:30-11:00

Chris' Challenge - by Roland LaJoie - Chris Potter and I started "The Challenge" in October, 2000. Chris' feelings were that Thanksgiving should be the one day of the year where families should gather together, and on our first broadcast, he "challenged" listeners to match his original pledge of 20 turkeys. That year we collected 300 turkeys which we basically stored in the **WLVB** entry way (don't think we thought we would get that many donations).



Chris Potter

Chris passed away in October, 2001. **Warren Miller** co-chaired the event for a few years, and most recently, **Dominique Couture** has been my "turkey girl" who has done a superb job continuing Chris' legacy. Over the years, I was able to get the support of our local supermarkets, **Price Chopper** and **Hannaford** which has enabled the **CHRIS' CHALLENGE TURKEY DRIVE** to continue into its 17th year last Thanksgiving.

Recipients are the LCFS, Woodbury, Johnson, and Hardwick food shelves, the Clarina Howard Nichols Center, and the Most Holy Name of Jesus parish.



Dom Couture & Roland LaJoie

Cart Donation -

LCFS has long been home to misfit, wobbly-wheeled, mismatched grocery carts for our clients.

Thanks to the folks at **Carriage Care**, we now have 6 matching carts, that all fit together! They take up so much less space and there is nary a bad wheel nor bent frame among them.

Thank you for making our clients' shopping experience even smoother!



Sara Kline was recently voted **Favorite Employee of the Year** by **Kinney Drugs** customers. This is out of all Kinney stores nation-wide!

This entitled her to choose a nonprofit to receive a corporate donation of **\$1,000**. Sara chose Lamoille Community Food Share and we thank her! Another example of the community working together.

For more info visit us at www.lcfoodshare.org



Bernie Alden, Sara Kline, Kevin Carter

Our Board of Directors: Joan Greene, Caroline Ballard, Mary Elfer, Pam Hammel, Karen Loh, Pete Monaco, Darsey Moon, Jan Tichansky, Trudy Trombley, Ellen Waldman, Josh Ziegler **IT Guru:** Ken Kleinman
Program Manager: Kevin Carter **Assistant Manager:** Becca Reggio **Program Coordinator:** Sara Babcock

VOLUNTEER GALLERY



Roger Lewis



Betty Bevans & Nancy Collins



Rick Aupperlee



Peg Demars



Joe Ciccolo



Karen Loh, Doug Geller, & Patt Wisse



Linda Cannon-Huffman & Fern Farmer



Patty Oden & Ken Lamb



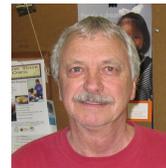
Bari Gladstone



Abby Gladstone-Strobel



Marilyn Lytton & Ken Kleinman



Arnie Willey



Tessa Milnes



Our Friendly Staff:
Becca Reggio, Sara Babcock, & Kevin Carter

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