



SHARE

HOST SITE NEWSLETTER

January 2012

Can You Believe It's 2012 Already?

Happy New Year from everyone at SHARE! We hope you enjoyed the holidays with family and friends and are feeling refreshed and ready to go in 2012!

Before we talk about the year to come, we want to thank you and your entire volunteer team for bringing the *SHARE The Season* holiday campaign to life in your community.

SHARE host sites and partner organizations served over 9,000 families with Thanksgiving Dinner Packages, and over 5,000 families with Christmas Dinner Packages. Isn't it amazing what we can accomplish together?

We have heard so many touching stories of the impact that SHARE volunteers had in the community. For example, one dedicated volunteer (Ron Thomas, Regional Coordinator for Janesville) collaborated with several local businesses to raise money to purchase packages for families in need.

And we have heard from many SHARE members about how much they appreciated the holiday dinner packages. One of our In-House volunteers told us several members commented that they would not have had a proper holiday dinner if it weren't for SHARE.

And that really is what SHARE is all about—people like yourselves coming together to make a difference in the lives of people in the community. Doesn't that mission inspire you? It sure inspires us!

So, on to 2012! We will continue to work hard on finding new healthy, affordable and regionally produced items for the new Fit & Frugal section, since many members indicated a preference for them in the survey we conducted last spring.

Lastly, we are working on the contents list for the Easter Dinner Package for pick-up on March SHARE Day. Most likely it will NOT include fresh produce since Easter is two weeks after SHARE Day—instead it will probably include canned vegetables. Details are to follow, so stay tuned!

And thanks once again for everything you do!

ENCLOSURES

- Jan. BIG Value Package Menu
- Jan. Mini Package Menu
- January Pink Report
- Jan. Order Forms & Receipts
- 3 Feb. Combined Order Forms
- 1 Feb. Individual Order Form

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JAN. SHARE DAY REMINDERS

FREE MINI PACKAGE

Each host site will receive 1 free mini package from the Sheila Cares Fund to donate to a family in need. See flyer.

Full Case Items:

- L- Organic Produce Assortment
- N- Gluten-Free Pasta & Pesto Pk.
- P- 100% Orange-Tangerine Juice
- Q- Strawberry Pancake Sticks
- R- Pork Sausage Patties
- V- Superbowl Party Pack

Multiple-Package Item:

- S- Apple & Lemon Pie Duo
- ONE EACH of Apple & Lemon Pie

BIG Value Package Bonus Item:

Sorry, none this month!

JANUARY EXTRAS

BIG Value Package, Mini Package, 100% Orange-Tangerine Juice, Pork Sausage Patties, Chicken Nuggets, Superbowl Party Pack

*You can order these items to sell at your site. Extras are first come, first served. **Place your order by NOON on Monday, January 23.***

Spanish Accessibility Change

As of this time (please see “Staff Changes” below), we are no longer able to produce a monthly Spanish order form or answer phone calls in Spanish at the main office.

If there are Spanish speakers in your community who want to learn about SHARE, we encourage you to seek out local interpreting services.

We hope to be able to offer these services to the community again very soon, so please stay tuned. And thank you for understanding.

Please Send Payment ASAP!

One way that we maintain our preferential status with vendors and thus are able to offer the best prices possible to our members is by paying our bills on time. We have an excellent record of paying on time—in fact, it’s something we pride ourselves on.

For those of you who send in payment please get this mailed by the Wednesday after D-day. Host sites set up for ACH payments should have all deposits in that account by the Wednesday after D-day.

Thanks so much for your help!

It’s Wintertime!

So far this winter, we here in the Milwaukee area have really lucked out with mild temperatures and few storms. But it’s January, and the snow is here!

No matter where you are, please keep these tips in mind for safe and enjoyable winter SHARE Days. Check the weather. Give yourself extra travel time between home and the host site or warehouse. Have patience because whatever weather you’re driving through, so are all of your members and the truck that’s delivering the food to your site. And please call the main office to let us know of any challenges—we’ll do everything in our power to help!

Thanks To Our Host Sites

Many thanks to the following host sites who helped at the warehouse in December: **Pittsville, Christ United Methodist, Stoughton, Watertown and St. Agnes–Butler**. And as always, thank you to the host sites who make up their own loads!

FEB. ORDERING DEADLINES

**MEMBER ORDERS
DUE TO HOST SITES:**
Tuesday, February 7

**HOST SITE & MEMBER ORDERS
DUE TO MAIN OFFICE:**
Friday, February 10

**ONLINE MEMBER ORDERS
DUE (9pm):**
Sunday, February 12

PICK-UP DAY:
Saturday, February 25

The February host site order deadline is **NOON on Friday, February 10th**. Orders received after this time may not be reflected in the Pink Report. If you email your host site order, you should receive an email confirming its receipt. If you don’t, please call Valerie at the main office.

Staff Changes

Our communications manager of the past seven years, Ben LeFort, has accepted a position with another company and had his last day with SHARE on January 12. We’re going to miss him, but we wish him the best in his new adventures. Other staff members have taken on his duties. He wanted us to let you know that he has truly enjoyed getting to know all of you and will miss working with such an inspiring group of people.

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