



A Monthly Newsletter

May 2016

The dinners at the Sudbury United Methodist Church will be suspended after the dinner on June 14 to allow upgrades to the kitchen and serving areas. Guests are invited to attend the community dinner at the First Parish Church in Concord on Thursday evenings at 5:30.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Want to help Open Table but can't commit to a regular schedule? We have just the volunteer job for you. We are looking for someone to coordinate food drives in Maynard and Sudbury. Often this just means letting the people holding the drive know what items we most need and arranging for someone to be available to receive the donations. BUT once a year, the second Saturday in May, we work with the Postal Service on their town wide collection. This involves helping get the word out in town that the drive will be held, recruiting a staff to handle the donations when they arrive and doing a one afternoon supervision to make sure that every thing goes smoothly when the donations are received. All items must be date checked, sorted by category and stored in the pantry. The drives provide an important service to our pantry and, because we have several years experience in participating, we have people who can answer your questions and help you find resources. Interested? Contact president@opentable.org for more information about this important job.

AND THIS IS WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

The Postal Food Drive was very successful this year in both Maynard and Concord. Thousands of pounds of non-perishable food was collected, sorted and stored for the use of our guests. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Just one of the many trucks of donations that pulled up to our pantries.



Major Improvements at the Everett Pantry

Thanks to the Scouts under the direction of Eagle Scout candidate David Abraham who have been working on upgrades to the Everett Street Pantry to satisfy Board of Health requirements. They have been painting, cleaning, and preparing stone walls. A special thanks to Will Young, our caulking expert. The first crew is shown below after a busy work day. Thanks to Mark Brennan for loaning us a dumpster and carpentry wisdom and to Fran Warner for his continued support of Eagle Scout projects. And a very special thanks to the Everett Pantry Manager Kerry Munro who supervised this and all other pantry related projects.



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