



Fighting hunger, feeding hope.



THC Newsletter  
March 2011

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Dear {FIRST\_NAME}

As Spring nears, we are developing new programs and ways in which we can create a whole and healthy community. Read about our upcoming Creative Leftovers class and Client Mentor Training and join us!

This past month has seen a large increase in the number of hungry locals attending our Mobile Food Bank. The phone rings daily with desperate and uncertain voices, many new to asking for help. The level of need is up and donations are down.

We hope you'll join us as we continue to provide solutions, nutrition and, most importantly, hope to the more vulnerable members of our community.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Liston, Executive Director

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### A Class About Creative Leftovers

Tuesday, March 29th

5:30 - 7 pm

The Souper Supper Kitchen at St.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

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## Charles Hall

This workshop focuses on the preparation of some "whole foods" meals and the creation of tasty new dishes from the "leftovers". Use food efficiently, stretch your grocery dollars, and increase your family's nutrition. Come learn new recipes, share cost cutting tips, and start saving money!

**Call 788-0121 to reserve your space today or  
for more information.**



### Help Stop Hunger

Purchase a Stop Hunger Card at Albertsons Market in Hailey... and buy Fresh Produce for Hungry Families!

Make a direct donation to a "produce savings account" on our behalf while shopping at Albertsons in Hailey!~ Simply purchase a Stop Hunger Card at checkout.

Your donation can put crisp lettuce, hearty squash or vitamin packed oranges on the tables of hungry local families this winter!

### Volunteer Spotlight: Charlie Grabow



We'd like to publicly acknowledge the hard work and dedication of this young man. As a Junior at the Sage School this is Charlie's second year volunteering, but by no means his first volunteer experience. His outstanding volunteerism includes The Animal Shelter, the Advocates Attic, Idaho's Bounty, The Special

Olympics, and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

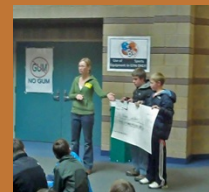
In the words of Program Director, Naomi Spence, "I have grown very fond of Charlie in the past two years. He is an incredible



### Give Food



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**Tyler Davis-Jeffers**  
*President*

resource to me and I rely on his feedback constantly. His enthusiasm and gentle approach with our clients is a true gift."

Two days a week, instead of skiing, playing tennis or hanging out with his friends, Charlie can be found organizing the Food Bank Warehouse and distributing food to hungry local families at one of our Mobile Food Banks. While he really didn't know what we were all about before he became a volunteer, Charlie can now say, "This is a a dedicated group of people who are trying to get rid of hunger in the Wood River Valley. And not just get rid of it, but support the people who need the food The Hunger Coalition provides."

***On behalf of everyone at The Hunger Coalition***

***Thank You, Charlie***

***for your continued enthusiasm, dedication, and belief in our efforts!***

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## Share Your Knowledge



Want to share your knowledge, expertise, and time with those in need? We are looking for volunteer mentors to work closely with our clients at The Hunger Coalition in

our newly created Computer Workstation.

### **Mentors will help clients with:**

- Basic computer & internet navigation
- Resumes and cover letters
- Online job applications
- Sending emails and documents
- Building self-confidence
- Learning self-promotion and marketing

**Client Mentor Training: Wednesday, March 16th**

**5 - 6 pm**

**The Hunger Coalition**

**121 Honeysuckle Street in Bellevue**

Please call Naomi at 788-0121 or email to find out more about

**Harry Weekes**

*Vice-President*

**Sarah Shivers**

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*Founder, Honorary*

*Member*



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**Jake Bloom**

**Ruth Bloom**

how you can become a Client Mentor!

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## March is Maintenance Month Again!

It's time to get a jump start on your Spring Cleaning while supporting a local business and helping those in need in our community. **Valley Maintenance & Restoration offers special discounts and promotions** during the month of March for any clients making a non-perishable food donation to The Hunger Coalition.



**Valley Maintenance & Restoration, Inc.**

Visit [www.valleymaintenance.net](http://www.valleymaintenance.net) or call 788-2789

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## Rico's is "One" of a Kind

A special thank you to Rico, Amy & the gang at Rico's Pizza and Pasta for their **"One for One"** promotion during February. Their generosity contributed almost 200 pounds of non-perishable food donations to help feed the hungry in Blaine County!

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## Sharpened up . . . and Ready to Garden

We are grateful for the singular services of **Bart Kurd, One Sharp Guy**, as we begin to prepare for the second growing season at The Hope Garden. **Bart sharpened all our gardening tools & equipment free of charge!** All we need now is Spring!

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## Some "Food" for Thought

### Some highlights from 2010:

- More than 1,200 children and adults received wholesome food, and welcome hope, through the Mobile Food Bank to get through difficult times.
- 46% of the clients receiving food assistance through our Mobile Food bank are children under the age of 18.

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Geri Herbert

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Robin Leavitt



## STAFF

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**Jeanne Liston**

*Executive Director*

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*Garden & Education Manager*

**Naomi Spence**

*Program Director*

- We rescued more than 70,000 pounds of fresh and perishable foods from local grocery stores for the hungry in our community to enjoy better nutrition.

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## We have a Wish or two... Could YOU make one of them come true?

### General Wish List:

- Small (under the counter) refrigerator
- Office bookshelves
- Coffee table for our common room
- Wall clock
- New CPU for our server
- 12 USB flash drives for our Mentoring Program

Also, please review our

Kitchen Wish List and Garden Wish List

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## Give Your Time. Make An Impact.

If you have a spare hour or two, can lift at least 40 pounds, and want to do something to help feed the hungry in our community,

Join our Mobile Food Ban Loading Team!



- **Mondays 12 - 1pm**  
and alternating  
**Mondays 9 - 10 am**
- **Tuesdays and Thursdays 1 - 2 pm**

Please call 788-0121 ext. 303 or email Naomi to learn more.

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### THE HUNGER COALITION

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## MISSION

The Hunger Coalition strives to end hunger in our community by providing wholesome food to those in need and by promoting solutions to the underlying causes of hunger through collaboration, education and advocacy.



## VISION

**The Hunger Coalition is a 501(c)3 organization.  
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**We envision a  
community free  
from hunger  
where all  
individuals are  
able to  
participate as healthy,  
contributing members.**

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