



Dear Neighbor Ministries

eNews Update

June 2011

Dear Friends, It has been a busy month for us and it seems that the need for help continues to grow. Here is a short report on some of the things going on. Please share with others using the links at the top of this page.

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Time Out for Fun

Ten juniors from St. Joseph Academy in Baton Rouge spent a week working in Wichita this month. Along with two of their teachers, the young women cleaned StepStone homes, worked in the community garden, sorted canned goods in the food pantry and helped in the Hilltop neighborhood. This is the second year a group from the Academy has traveled to Wichita on a summer mission trip. The school is another sponsored ministry of the Congregation of St. Joseph.



St. Joseph Academy students and children from StepStone enjoy an evening playing with a parachute and having a water balloon toss.

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Sorting 1800 Pounds of Food

Thanks to the National Association of Letter Carriers and their May 14 food drive we received 1800 pounds of canned and packaged food. The delivery came just in time as our food pantry shelves were getting bare.

Teens from St. Michael's parish in Mulvane spent the day unloading the delivery truck and sorting the food.

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Sister Helene steps down as Chair

Sister served for ten years as Chair of the Board of Dear Neighbor Ministries. Her leadership has allowed us to grow and serve the dear neighbor. Sister will continue her involvement as our liaison to CSJ Ministries the parent organization of all sponsored ministries of the congregation.

The liaison role assists the organization in furthering and deepening the culture of the congregation. In July Clem Ast becomes the Chair of the Board fo Dear Neighbor Ministries.



Sister Helene Lentz, CSJ

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Check out StepStone's page.

StepStone Launches Facebook Page

Thanks to our new social media volunteer Megan Sullenger, StepStone now has a Facebook page. The goal is to post helpful information about our program and domestic violence in general. If you have comments or suggestions please let us know. [Click here to send an email](#).and don't forget to "like us" when you are there.

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Monthly Giving Options

Many find electronic fund transfer (EFT) a convenient way to support Dear Neighbor Ministries and StepStone. We have made it easy to sign up. You, set the amount, date of withdrawal and checking, savings or by credit card. Simply fill out the form and return it to the Mission Advancement office.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Pat O'Donnell at 316-201-6818 or podonnell@csjoseph.org

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