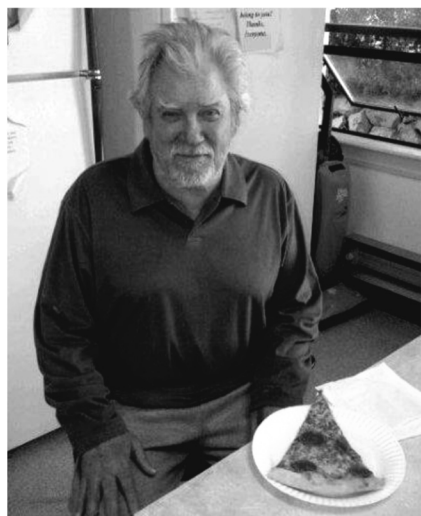


Nightwatch News

July, 2017

In a world of uncertainty: Pizza

By Rev. Rick Reynolds



About five years ago, we started getting free pizzas from a local franchise. These were left-over pizzas which were never purchased. Every week we'd stop by, and pick up ten to thirty pizzas. It was tremendous. We were able to feed hungry people and make lots of friends. Because it's never just about pizza, right?

Then the owner retired, closed the business. No more free pizza. So sad. Now we watch for sales. Tombstone pizza was available recently, 3 for \$10.

Every Thursday night, we take pizza with us. We get to talk with our friends about the virtues of pepperoni

vs. plain cheese. Sometimes the conversations turn serious; about life, loss, sorrow. But mostly, the concerns of the day wane. It's pizza night.

With all the uncertainties facing Nightwatch and our homeless friends, it's good have some constants, like Thursday night pizza.

This morning, a guy was crossing the street. As soon as we saw each other, we recognized each other and smiled. We are united in our common humanity, because of pizza!

Your support makes pizza possible, along with shelter, housing, and hopefulness. Please don't forget us this summer. God bless.

Lord, our lives are in your hands. Thank you for pizza, and the love you show daily. ●

Yuck

By Liz Fenn

Dispatch Center Manager

Recently, I was out sick for three days with a fever I could not shake. I did not have a cold or a cough, just a fever and aches that made it hard to move. Having a fever and body aches makes you feel old. I was miserable, and feeling sorry for myself. I wanted chicken soup. I wanted medicine. I wanted someone to nurse me back to full health. I couldn't steel up enough willpower to get moving. Yuck.



Then I remembered our homeless friends who get sick. They have it worse. They don't even have their own bed to lie in when they are sick. If they are lucky enough to get into a shelter for the night, they can sleep for a few hours, but then are awakened by 5:30 or 6 a.m. and are told to be on their way. Most of the time they do not even have aspirin or Tylenol at their disposal.

I do not like being sick when at home; I would hate being sick while living on the streets.

Thank you to the kind people who bring cough drops, cold medicine, vitamins, and other essentials. Thank you, volunteers who cook the meals, **Thank you, donors and everyone who has a hand in helping at Nightwatch. You ease the misery of all who suffer, and make the "yuck" not quite as bad. ●**



NIGHTWATCH

**Serving the night
community in the
name of Christ**

Volunteer Orientation Open House

The best way to learn about Nightwatch and the many volunteer opportunities.

Thursday, July 6, 2017

7:30–8:00 pm

RSVP or questions:
info@seattlenightwatch.org

Memorials & Tributes

Memorials

Dorothy Barrett	Fred & Shirley Glandon	Eugene Vance
Janet Buck	Jim & Frances Reynolds	Andrew & Loveta Price
Charlotte & Virgil Huntsinger	Pete Gudger	Zollie & Sylvia Volchok
Lyle & Shelley Staley	Cheryl Gudger	Tony Volchok
Laura Baughman	Mary Ellen Ingersoll	& Cindy Monsen
Jason & Coleen Marta	Jim & Jan Sullivan	Glenn & Shirley Weed
Dorothy Myrle Bixler	Ruth Keepers	Andy & Ramona McBeth
George & Carolyn Rippee	George & Carolyn Rippee	Carolyn & Curtis Neitsch
Bill Branom	Hattie Kimble	George & Carolyn Rippee
Mary Branom	Alan & Judy Hodson	Jim & Cynthia Weaver
Roy & Merna Corson's birthdays	Ron Kimble	Gilbert Weiss
John & Ivy Conklin	Heather & Carl Craven	John Weiss
Craig Davis	Al & Maxine Lobb	& Corry Venema-Weiss
Bruce Davis	Bud & Trudy Forbes	Leonard Woodgate
Tony Domzalski	John & Jody Fenlason	Carolyn & Curtis Neitsch
Mark & Lisa Domzalski	Bonnie Riggins	Mary Wooldridge
Pat Domzalski	Gloria Shults	Holly Boone
Marie Erickson	Dick Shipe	
Judy Hurley	Gary & Theresa Shipe	
Gale Fiess	Stephen Shipe	
John & Dian Snypp	& Marta Pasztor	
Keith & Kay Forbes	Louise Solemslie	
Linda Martin	Allen Solemslie	
George & Carolyn Rippee		

Prayers needed

By Ann Sakaguchi

I firmly believe that prayer changes things.

Please don't misunderstand me. I am not saying we can make God do what we want Him to do. I'm saying I believe God listens to His people; He hears our prayers.

Having cleared that all up, I am appealing to all of you who believe as I do. We need you to help us now. Nightwatch needs you. Some 75 men who are homeless need you. We need your prayers.

In a nutshell, the situation is this: Nightwatch, an organization that helps people who are homeless, is about to become homeless again. Just to be clear, we are not losing the apartment building that we own, which is home to 24 seniors. We are not losing our Dispatch Center, where volunteers serve a meal every night to our homeless friends. Those aspects of Nightwatch are staying the same. What we are losing is our shelter space, where 75 men have been sleeping every night.

I have believed, since this whole saga began in February, that there is still a place somewhere for our 75 guys. I have faith that God will not abandon our people and leave them outside, without a place to be safe. We just don't know where it is yet.

Today, we are using a building graciously loaned to us by the City of Seattle. We know we must vacate by the end of August.

Here's where you come in. Would you please pray with us to find a shelter space soon for 50–75 men? Preferably somewhere relatively close by? We don't need fancy; we just need a couple of restrooms. Despite our faith, we're starting to feel a little desperate. Please help us. Please pray with us. Thank you.

Lord, show us your plans. Show us the way forward. ●



Tributes

John Eldredge's birthday
Pamela & Clay Herbst
Dottie Kiehle
Geri & Harvey Nelson
Flo Kirkpatrick
Jim & Frances Reynolds
Brett & Karen Lolley
Vern & Marilyn Lolley
Anthony Neves
Daisy Neves
Mike Potts
Catharine Fletcher

Shopping List

Please help by collecting these items for us to distribute to our homeless friends and tenants (travel sizes are preferred):

- Deodorant
- Lotion
- Shave cream
- Hand sanitizers
- Multi-vitamins
- Cough drops
- Pain relievers
- Kleenex packs
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Bulk drink mix

For more information about these items please contact:
liz@seattlenightwatch.org

Amazon Wish List:

<http://tinyurl.com/zjo64fd>

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