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# Food For Thought

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This original watercolor by Roberta Rogers was raffled off during the Brandy's Restaurant/Roberta Rogers 3rd Annual Charity Art Raffle in December.

## **Brandy's Restaurant/Roberta Rogers 3rd Annual Charity Art Raffle Raises \$2,145 For Hungry People**

For the third year in a row, Brandy's Restaurant and watercolor artist Roberta Rogers teamed up to sponsor an art raffle benefiting Northern Arizona Food Bank.

The event, which culminated in a drawing on Dec. 22, raised \$2,145 for the food bank. Brandy's Restaurant contributed an \$800 match to the \$1,585 from customers. Tickets were \$5 each.

"It's just wonderful how any business can help support the food bank when they get creative," said Kerry Ketchum, executive director of the Northern Arizona Food Bank.

Jody Rypkema, a regular Brandy's customer, won Rogers' original watercolor of the San Francisco Peaks.

Event sponsors Brandy's Restaurant and Roberta Rogers plan to make this an annual event that supports Northern Arizona Food Bank, Flagstaff's community food bank since 1986. In 2006, NAFB distributed more than 5.4 million pounds of food and material aid to less fortunate Northern Arizonans.

## Director's Notes

The holiday season is truly a time of many things: reflection, giving and receiving. Spending time with family and friends. I wanted to share a few stories with you as I think about the past holidays.

I am sure you have heard the saying that it is better to give than receive. Well, I have been given a gift from an angel. I also received a lesson in the process.

On Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, we were in the middle of a food drive at the Safeway store on Highway 89 in Flagstaff. It was a beautiful, sunny Flagstaff day and we were very busy that afternoon trying to bring in enough turkeys to meet the needs for every family that was without the means to provide a turkey dinner.

A little girl about 5 or 6 years old started walking toward us with her mother. She was smiling as she approached. The little girl reached into her pocket and pulled out some money. She reached up to put the money in our donation box but was just too short to reach the opening. I offered to help her put the wrinkled-up dollars in the box. She smiled and said that this was her tooth fairy money. She just wanted to help the poor.

That day an angel touched my heart. This angel was only 5 or 6 years old, but she reminded me that God has put the desire to give in all of us. It is better to give than receive. That day I was given a gift from an angel and I received a truly blessed reminder of God's love for others. As the holidays come and go, we all go through each busy day. Remember that angels are everywhere – we only need to open our eyes and our hearts.

**By Kerry Ketchum  
Executive Director  
Northern Arizona Food Bank**

## Birthday Girl's Generosity Helps Others



Jade asked her friends to bring canned goods — not gifts — to her 7th birthday party on December 1, 2006. She donated 70 pounds of nonperishable foods to Northern Arizona Food Bank so the food can go to people in need.

## Thank You, Donors!!

Thank you to everyone that supported NAFB last year! Because of your support, no one went without food in 2006 and everyone that qualified for assistance received food and material aid, but mostly hope.

In 2006, NAFB distributed more than 5.4 million pounds of food and material aid to the less fortunate. This equates to more than 4 million meals.

## Volunteers Needed

The 15th Annual Letter Carrier Food Drive is coming up on Saturday, May 12th. NAFB needs volunteers to help that day by transferring food from postal vehicles to our semi trailers. In 2006, more than 42,000 pounds of nonperishable food was collected in one day.

If you'd like to help, please call the NAFB office 928-526-2211.

## 'Can'struction competition helps the needy

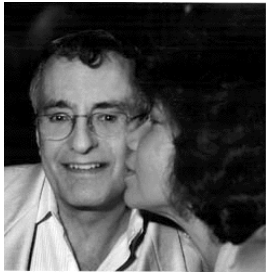
All three Flagstaff high schools participated in a food drive and competition in early December that was co-sponsored by the Northern Arizona Building Association, Bashas' Food Stores and KNAZ TV2.

The event took place at Jotini's On The Green where the final products could be viewed during the NABA's holiday party.

The nonperishable foods collected were distributed among local charities, including Northern Arizona Food Bank.

Prizes were given to the students for "Most Food Collected," "Best Design/Build Project," and "Generosity of Time and Effort."

## Feinstein Challenge Strives to End Hunger in America... But It Takes YOU!



For the tenth straight year, Rhode Island philanthropist Alan Shawn Feinstein will divide \$1 million nationwide among hunger-fighting agencies using it to help them raise funds during March and April 2007.

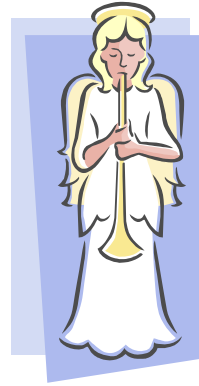
**The more of a donation you make to Northern Arizona Food Bank from March 1st to April 30th, the more of Feinstein's money will be added to your donation! (See coupon on back page.)**

This includes cash, checks and food items (valued at \$1 per item or pound) as well as pledges.

Last year NAFB received \$3,467.00 out of a possible \$50,000 maximum donation from the Feinstein Foundation. Thank you to all who helped in 2006! Please help us this year to reach the goal of \$50,000.

Please consider organizing a food drive at your office, school, church or local organization. Another way you can help is by suggesting a special offering collection at your church or by collecting funds at work.

Call the NAFB office at (928) 526-2211 and let us know how we can help you facilitate a food or funds drive! For more information about the Feinstein Challenge, visit [www.feinsteinfoundation.org](http://www.feinsteinfoundation.org) or [www.nafoodbank.org](http://www.nafoodbank.org).



## Search and Support NAFB

What if Northern Arizona Food Bank earned a penny every time you searched the Internet? Well, now we can!

GoodSearch.com is a new search engine that donates half its revenue— about a penny a search— to the charities its users designate. You use it just as you would a search engine, and it's powered by Yahoo!, so you get great results.

Just go to [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) and be sure to enter Northern Arizona Food Bank as the charity you want to support.

If 500 of us search four times a day, we could raise about \$7,300 in a year without anyone spending a dime!



Thanks to all those who contributed to "A Buck For the Truck" as our new truck is here and running. We use it to procure food for hungry people from all over the country.

## Flagstaff Motorsports Collects 4,850 lbs. of Food During December Quad Giveaway

Thanks to Flagstaff Motorsports for hosting a Quad Giveaway and Food Drive on Dec. 22. One raffle ticket was given per can of donated food. A child's quad was the reward, and 4,850 pounds of food were collected. The donations were divided between Northern Arizona Food Bank and Care & Share Food Bank. Thank you to all those who supported this fruitful event!!





## Mountain Line's 'Stuff the Bus' Food Drive A Success

Mountain Line Transit held a "Stuff the Bus" holiday food drive for an entire week in mid-November. Cans were collected in lieu of the bus fare, and a bus was parked in front of Sam's Club as a collection point for the drive. The event brought in 3,155 pounds of non-perishable foods along with turkeys and \$171.00 in cash from the Mountain Line staff. These donations helped ensure that every family in need received food during the holidays. **Thank you, Mountain Line!**

### MONETARY DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED

Contribute from March 1-April 30 and help NAFB in the Feinstein Challenge!

Every \$1 donated supplies up to 9 meals!

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