

2011 ShareFest Events

September 1st - 11th- "Eleven Days of Giving" is designated as a time for a community wide ingathering of goods as well as uniting as Proud Americans in compassionate community service projects for those in need. We are seeking churches, schools, organizations, and businesses to be locations for this ingathering of goods for the events below. Locations will be posted on the website.

- ♥ **Angela's Mission-** started in order to help meet the needs of hospitalized troops that serve abroad. Items to be collected will be displayed on the website. Last year they included such items as shampoo/conditioner- body wash- bar soap- sunscreen- body lotion- books- magazines- underwear- socks... Contact Kathy Johnson at KJohnson@newlenox.org
- ♥ **Book Drive-** this reuse & recycling event is sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 15 and Reading Tree, an organization committed to promote literacy and recycling books. Everyone is invited to drop off new and gently used books at partnering locations from September 1st -11th. On Saturday September 10th the Book Drive will be open to exchange books for no charge. Carolyn Farrell at cil3mxf2@yahoo.com
- ♥ **Clothing Drive-** Each year we choose a non-profit recipient for the collection of items such as clothing, coats, blankets, shoes for local families and organizations. Contact Fr. Don Bates 815-463-4207. dbates@stjudes.org
- ♥ **Food Drive** Our local food banks are requesting help. Some non-perishable items needed are shown on the ShareFest website. Food items will be collected and distributed to our local pantries. Contact Jennifer Huizinga at j_huizinga@comcast.net.
- ♥ **New Toy Drive** Donate new toys and gift cards for the Treasure Chest Foundation, which gives toys and more to children fighting cancer. Contact Karen Kadubek at kadubek@comcast.net or Colleen at www.treasurechest.org

September 9th- Friday-NL Village Hall 10:00am-1:00pm- Career Education/Instruction with resume reviews & mock interviews for Saturday's Job Fair. Contact Kristi at kkelly@stfrancis.edu .

September 10th- Saturday Main Event- located at Spencer School 1701 S Spencer Rd. The events below will also take place. All events are from 9:00am to 3:00pm unless stated

- ♥ **Job Fair 10am – 1pm** Get connected to employers looking to hire!
- ♥ **Health & Safety Fair:10am-1pm - FREE** Diabetic Retinopathy Screening & Macular Regeneration Testing provided by the NL Lions Club. Twenty health & safety organizations present providing many others FREE screenings and testing.
- ♥ **Recycling Drive-** This year we are hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection. The NL Township will have on-site Electronic Recycling & rain barrels & compost bins for sale. Scrap Iron and Styrofoam will also be collected. Contact info@ShareFestNewLenox.com **8:00 am-3:00 pm**
- ♥ **Clothing & Home Goods Drive** for this year's non-profit organization. We also donate clothing to local families and centers to help those in need. Contact Fr. Don Bates at dbates@stjude.org
- ♥ **Service Projects-** These clean up / fix-up projects are for seniors, disabled, and disadvantaged are at the heart of ShareFest. If you know someone we can help, please contact us at info@ShareFestNewLenox.com
- ♥ **Forest Preserve Restoration Projects-** In cooperation with the Will Count Forest Preserve District, volunteers are needed for workday projects set up by the Forest preserve District. A liability waiver must be signed (on the site) and proper clothing should be worn. Questions: call Renee Gauchat 815-722-7364 rgauchat@fpdwc.org.

September 11th- ♥ We encourage everyone to attend the Patriot Day Ceremony held at the New Lenox Village Commons September 11th at 2:00pm. This is a day of remembrance and a day of service. Watch for more details coming soon. Contact Kathy at kjohnson@newlenox.org