



NORTHMEN DEN UPDATE

Thanks to everyone in helping us provide not only food but love and care to our now **47 Northmen Den Students**. Please know you are welcome to visit at any time - if it's a full day of school the Den is open between **1 - 2:45**. You do not need permission to visit. If you find yourself with time to visit on a Friday afternoon for 15 minutes or the full 2 hours that's wonderful - just COME! Use the entrance with the 6 doors in **front of the Middle School Flag Pole** - the door to the far right is open.

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

Become a Volunteer for the rest of this school year and next year. We need 4-5 Volunteers each Friday to arrive around 12:15 at the Den to stock shelves and then help the students shop. We usually close around 2:30 – 2:45. Email Kathy at kathy@kathypetersen.com to be placed on the Roster. We send an email on Tuesday to see who is available for that Friday. **We are looking for someone to be our Volunteer Coordinator please let Kathy, Joy or Dottie if you are interested.** We need volunteers for many other activities – baking healthy snacks for the kids, writing personal encouraging notes to the students, collecting jig saw puzzles and age appropriate books. Or any other idea you might have to encourage these students to believe in their dreams and themselves.

FOOD COLLECTION and DONATIONS.

Due to the wonderful food collection (and Back to School back packs) from Fletch's and Harbor Brenn Agencies we do not need any more Collectible Food Items from our parish for the remainder of this school year.

Donations: The Northmen Den received a \$10,000 Grant from the Petoskey Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation; \$8,200 from Women Who Care and Fletch's/Harbor Brenn Donation \$2,600.

Emmanuel and our community are making a difference in these 11, 12 and 13 aged children's lives. These students have a great responsibility on their shoulders not only caring for themselves but also caring for their younger siblings and sometimes even caring for their parents.

Questions? Suggestions? Contact Kathy at 231-622-8044 or kathy@kathypetersen.com or Joy McBride at 231-838-7811 or jamcbride56@gmail.com.