



Volunteer Newsletter

To see in those in need the face of Christ

Welcome to the Winter issue of the St. Vincent de Paul volunteer newsletter!
Enjoy the holiday season and see what's been happening with SVdP.

--- 2018/2019 Events ---

- Attend a Society meeting at 9:30 AM on the third Thursday or one on the fourth Thursday at 7:00 PM each month at SVdP Center.
- **TODAY!!!** The Boutique and Holiday Hut will have a special Shopping Night on **December 5** from 5:00-8:00 PM.
- Mass in honor of the Patroness of Vincentians - the Blessed Virgin Mary and her Immaculate Conception at 10:30 AM on Sunday, December 9th at Saints Peter & Paul Church.
- A Commissioning Ceremony for the SSPP-SVdP Club will be held in the SSPP School Café at 8:30 AM on Friday, December 14th.
- SVdP will provide a Christmas Party for the children and families of those in the Talbot County Detention Center on Saturday, December 15th. Contact Elizabeth Tong for details.
- Morning Reflection for Vincentians at Saints Peter and Paul Church from 10:00 AM until 12:30 PM with Father Angeloni on Friday, March 1st, 2019

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Sts. Peter and Paul Conference
provides aid to the poor in Talbot County

\$726,452 Value of Food Provided in 2018

535 People Fed Weekly 2018

• Seniors	59
• Adults	276
• Children	200
TOTAL	535

\$145,864 Financial Assistance Provided 2018

2,038 People helped Financially

• Rent	366	\$47,061
• Utilities	300	\$28,931
• Temporary Lodging	320	\$31,584
• Beds and Furniture	263	\$14,940
• Other*	789	\$23,348
*Medical, Transportation, Special Assistance and Unmet Needs		
TOTAL	2,038	\$145,864

We invite you to shop at our Thrift Center, Furniture and Boutique.
All proceeds help support those in need

HOURS for accepting donations and for distributing food, clothing and furniture:

Tuesdays 1-4 PM & Saturdays 9 AM-Noon

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is easy to join. There are no fees. There are no special qualifications other than the desire to join with others to help those in need for the love of God.

If the Society of St. Vincent de Paul appeals to you and you want to learn more about it, contact us at:

410-770-4505

svdpeastonmd.org

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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THANK YOU!!!

SVdP of Easton cannot help all of the needy in the area without all of our great volunteers, who give so generously of their time and talents. This is a good time of year to express our appreciation for all you do. We hope you enjoy a blessed Christmas and holiday season with your family and friends.



Attendees



Table Discussions



Lunch!

VOLUNTEER IN-SERVICE

SVdP held its 2nd annual In-Service on September 27th with 115 members participating in the day's events. The focus was on “revisiting, refining and rejoicing” in our commitment to helping “those in need” in Talbot County.

The day started off with a rousing version of Jeopardy with our own “Alex” Handy hosting the event. It provided members with a chance to learn a few historical and current facts about SVdP. Members then collaborated in departmental discussion groups to review the inner workings of their department, set respective goals and state their visions on how to further their mission.

The day was both stimulating and enlightening; camaraderie was shared by all.

(Photos by Rene Fuentes)



HIGH QUALITY Furniture Wanted!

If you are redecorating with a new color scheme, or downsizing and have extra furniture in VERY GOOD CONDITION, please think first of donating items to SVDP. Revenue from sales of furniture in very good condition and in a current style/color bring in much needed resources for helping us help the needy. Pass the word on to family and friends!

DINING OUT CARDS for local restaurants make great Christmas gifts for friends, work associates and family members! Purchase them (\$25) on the SVdP website: <https://svdpeastonmd.org/purchase-a-dining-out-card> or contact Gloria Freihage. **Volunteers are also needed to sell cards at masses. Contact Gloria Freihage to sign up for a date/time.**

Hot Off The Coals Ft. 50 in Easton 410-690-8555 10% Off food only, Every Day	 Help Feed the Hungry Society of St. Vincent de Paul 410-770-4505 1/1/19 - 12/31/19 50% of proceeds help feed the hungry in Talbot County, MD Please tip server based on pre-discounted amount	
Hunter's Tavern Located at the Tidewater Inn Easton 410-822-1300 10% Off food only Excluding Fri. & Sat.	Peacock RESTAURANT & LOUNGE Located at Inn at 202 Dover Easton 410-818-8007 10% Off food only Excluding Fri., Sat., Holidays & other Promotions	SCOSSA Easton 410-822-2202 10% Off food only Excluding Fri., Sat. & Holidays
 BANNING'S TAVERN Easton 410-822-1733 10% Off food only Excluding Fri. & Sat.	 DOC'S DOWNTOWN GRILL Easton 410-822-7700 10% Off food & beverage Every Day Excluding Alcohol	Easton 410-820-4002 10% Off food & beverage (except alcohol) Every Day

Pope's Tavern at Oxford Inn Oxford 410-226-5220 10% Off food & beverage Excluding Fri. & Sat.	 Robert Morris Inn Oxford 410-226-5111 10% Off food & beverage Excluding Fri., Sat., Holidays & Promotions	 Ava's St. Michaels 410-745-3081 10% Off food only Excluding Fri. & Sat.
BLACKTHORN IRISH PUB St. Michaels 410-745-8011 10% Off food up to 4 Persons Excluding Sat., Sun., Holidays & Promotions	 208 St. Michaels 410-745-3838 10% Off food only Excluding Fri., Sat., Holidays, Promotions & Groups of 8 or more	 LIMONCELLO St. Michaels 410-745-3111 10% Off Food & Non-alcoholic beverage. Excluding Fri., Sat. & other Promotions. Cashholders Only
 Tucker's Crab Shack at the Wylder Hotel Talbot County 410-886-2121 10% Off food & beverage Mon-Thur only Excluding Specials, Promotions & Holidays	 Harrison's An Authentic Southern Shrimp Restaurant St. Michaels 410-745-8090 10% Off food only Excluding Fri., Sat., Holidays & Buffets	 Lighthouse Oxon Hill & Cell St. Michaels 410-745-2226 10% Off food only up to 4 People Excluding Sat., Sun., Holidays Other Discounts & Promotions

Kathy Weaver Joins the Best of the Best

Kathy Weaver, manager of SVdP's Food Pantry, was honored during a ceremony on October 25th when she was named to the Maryland Senior Citizen Hall of Fame. Congratulations, Kathy! *(photo by Dick Weaver)*



Home Visitation

The Home Visitation and Phone Responder volunteers held our annual meeting on Nov. 14th, to review the support provided to Talbot County's community and to set the direction for our new fiscal year. Our program for FY 2018 provided \$145,864 of financial assistance to 2,038 individuals. This was the most SVDP ever provided to individuals in need of cash assistance support (rental assistance, utility bills, transportation, health needs, etc.) in our community. Marilyn Neal, Exec. Dir. of the Neighborhood Service Center in Talbot County was invited to update us on her program and field questions from our volunteers. Our program works closely with NSC as well as Talbot Social Services to combine our resources at time to help those in need.

Hotel Sized Toiletries Still Needed!!!

With the upcoming winter weather, any extra **UNUSED** hotel sized toiletries (shampoo, lotion, dental floss, soap bars, etc.) would be appreciated. Please bring them to the center. Razors, toothpaste, lip balm, deodorant and other hygiene products in small sizes are also welcome to help with emergency placement in local shelters. We greatly appreciate your generosity.

Volunteer Spotlight - The Boutique

One of the original organizers of the Boutique and volunteer for many years, **Barbara Mann** and her husband Tom retired to Easton from New Jersey about 11 years ago. She also helped organized the first Holiday, Shopping Evening featuring the Holiday Hut. In addition to her work with SVDP, Barbara serves on the board of the Tred Avon Players. Her hobbies are quilting and watercolor painting. Did you know that Barbara has portrayed Mother Goose for several years, including an appearance at the Talbot county free library? *(photo courtesy of Tom Mann)*



The Angel Tree is set up in the vestibule of Saints Peter and Paul Church. Please take a tag or two and buy a gift for a child or senior who may not otherwise receive one this Christmas season. \$50 limit per tag. Wrapped gifts with tags secured to them are to be dropped off in the same location as last year: **29466 Pintail Drive** (behind WalMart) on Mon, Tues, Thur & Fri 10 - 4 , Wed only 10-6. Saturdays only 9-noon. Please deliver gifts **NO LATER** than Saturday, December 15. Thank you for your generosity in sharing with others!



Holiday Hut

The Holiday Hut is open now through early January. Please stop by and shop for those last minute gifts, and help us help others! **Please note that there will be a special shopping night TODAY, December 5 from 5:00-8:00 PM in both the Boutique and Holiday Hut.**



Volunteer Positions Available:

- * Furniture, furniture, furniture!
- * Dining Out Card sales
- * Volunteers to receive gifts at Angel Tree storage area - several time slots still available - contact Carlyn

Diamond if you can help out for one three hour spot.

Welcome New Volunteers (Fourth Quarter 2018):

Michael DiNapoli - Food Pantry
Joanne Reusing - Food Pantry

MaryAnn Worsthorn - Boutique
Robert Worsthorn - Food Pantry
Pam Simmons - Boutique
Ann Haught - Food Pantry
Cindy Stinchcomb - Food Pantry
Heather Jessee - Food Pantry

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