



THE FOOD SHUTTLE OF WESTERN NEW YORK

New Board Approved



On May 13th, board members and interested volunteers attended the Annual Meeting and Board Elections at St. Gregory's Ministry Center.

The entire slate of nominees was approved unanimously. Newly elected Beth Kurtz is Ken-Ton Coordinator and Patricia Wiseman is Sunday dispatcher. Sandy Ostrom returns to the board as Provider Coordinator. The incumbents in the other positions were re-elected.

A Beloved Shuttler Retires

In late May, Ceil Becker gave notice of her June retirement. Ceil brought her kind heart and gentle ways to the Shuttle for 32 years. Ceil began as a driver in 1992 and became a Saturday dispatcher in 2011. Always very friendly and personable, Ceil has been a true gift to the Shuttle and its mission. Ceil always made sure that her drivers felt appreciated, thanking them sincerely and often. She has been a wonderful ambassador for the organization, and she has been a true blessing for over 30 years.

The Food Shuttle sends its best wishes for a happy retirement and thanks her for the dedication and care she gave to all. We are thankful Ceil chose to bring her talents to the Food Shuttle and we will miss her dearly as a volunteer and friend.

DAY HAB TEAMS MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Teams Assist Others While Learning



Evan and Grace deliver to Jaime at Altamont Veterans Services.

A “day hab” is a daytime habilitation program for adults. In a day hab program, handicapped people learn life and work skills while building relationships and friendships. Day hab groups volunteer in the community and deliver for Food Shuttle.

The programs with current deliveries are The Arc of Eric County, The Aspire Group, Community Services, Heritage Christian Services, People, Inc. and Summit S.T.E.P.S. These deliveries benefit our providers and recipients, while the work experience benefits the group members. A true “win-win.”

We would like to highlight the teams from Summit S.T.E.P.S. (Success Through Engagement and Positive Supports). There are four locations serving adults with autism; each has at least one team delivering food. The Summit teams members are friendly and proud individuals. Their upbeat personalities make each delivery a pleasant interaction.

We thank all daytime habilitation teams and their supervisors for giving consistency and positivity to their delivery transactions. We know these groups create smiles as they deliver food throughout Western New York.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

The Food Shuttle is an all-volunteer organization. From the drivers to the officers, the dedicated Shuttlers give freely of their time and talents. Many of our volunteers have been with our organization for a decade or longer.

We would like to recognize volunteers having anniversaries this year.

For 10 years, Aspire Services, Carol Butch, Dick Duquin, Sherry Perry, and North Tonawanda Summit S.T.E.P.S. have been driving for Food Shuttle.

Lockport Day Hab clients have been available to make deliveries for 15 years.

Celebrating their 20th year of volunteering are Donna Miller, Anita Herr, Millersport Day Hab, Patrick Murphy, Ron and Teresa Tramosch, and Ron Whitney.

Three drivers who have anniversaries have been volunteering during both the 20th and 21st centuries. Catherine Theilman (25 years), Sandy Ostrom (30 years) have crossed millennia volunteering.

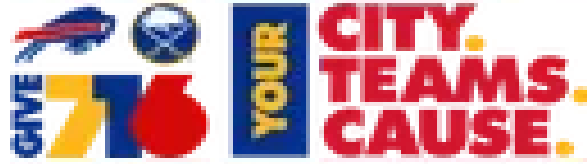
Southtowns veteran driver George Lex has been volunteering since 1989 when Food Shuttle began; this makes him our most senior driver with 35 years over five decades, two centuries, and two millennia! Simply magnificent. George, you are special to us; our hats are off to you!

We send our heartfelt thanks to these wonderful drivers; they make the good work of Food Shuttle possible with their time, dedication, and consistency.

Happy Anniversary!

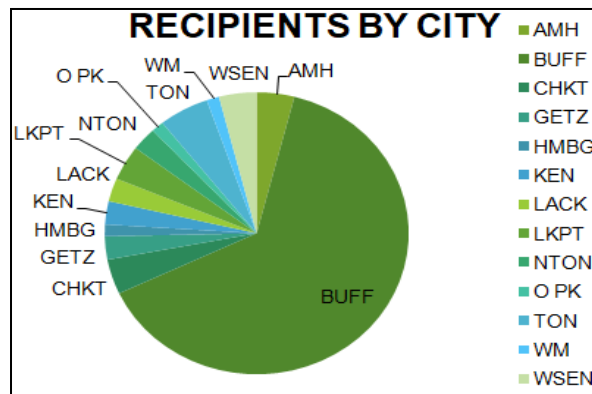
BULLETIN BOARD

GIVE 716



Give 716 is a collaborative fundraising effort between the Buffalo Bills Foundation and the Buffalo Sabres Foundation. The goal of *Give 716* is simple: to unite Bills and Sabres fans within the WNY community in an epic giving event.

The Food Shuttle of WNY is participating and will need your help. Soon, Food Shuttle will get its own web link and you can help by sharing that information with your family and friends in any way; share via email, social media or by word of mouth. Please check your email from Food Shuttle for further details about *Give 716*. Thank you!



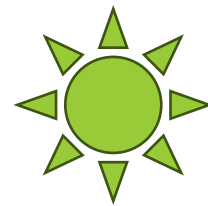
Did you know that Food Shuttle delivers to 13 municipalities?

Many wheels, many miles, and many meals!

PHOTO GALLERY



Jean Burrage with Barb Ivancic, left, and Ann Marie Bowman, right. Barb and Ann Marie recently brought thanks, flowers, and sweets to Jean in honor of her retirement after five decades of volunteer service.

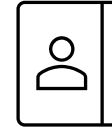


Mary Long of BJ's with driver Mary Ann Didas.



Helpful Prince of Peace Church staff help with delivery.

CONTACT INFORMATION



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Would you like to be a dispatcher? The Saturday dispatch and substitute dispatch positions are available. Please call Barb Ivancic at 681-0962.

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