



MILWAUKEE CROP HUNGER WALK 2010 NEWSLETTER

2010 RESULTS

Sunday, October 10, 2010 was the 25th anniversary of the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk. We started off the celebration with the Interfaith Day at Miller Park on July 27 where **400 lbs** of food was donated to Hunger Task Force.

On the Walk Day, there were over **961** walkers and **101** congregations and groups participated in the event by walking, donating food and/or money to raise awareness of hunger and poverty. In the end, **\$62,484.63** was donated for anti-poverty work, and emergency relief efforts! A total of **16,753 lbs of food** was donated for people in need in the greater Milwaukee area!



2011 DATE

Sunday, October 9



CROP Hunger Walks Sustains Recovery Efforts

Prayers and participation in CROP Hunger Walks help develop and sustain the following efforts and more through Church World Service (CWS), Catholic Relief Services, International Orthodox Christian Charities, Lutheran World Relief, MAZON, Muslim Relief and a host of other approved international anti-poverty and relief agencies.

Spring Flooding and Tornadoes in the United States:

Spring flooding and tornadoes have left many communities devastated. Homes, farmland, schools, businesses have been damaged or are now completely gone. Thousands of people are left having to clean up and start over.

CWS is helping people in affected communities by supplying them with Emergency Clean-up Buckets, hygiene kits, blankets, Baby Care Kits and more. CWS has budgeted \$280,000 for material resources, emergency response grants and disaster recovery training in these communities.

Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan: CWS partner agencies were played a key role in parts of affected areas in Japan by identifying needs and matching them with supplies such as ready to eat food, water, green tea, sanitation kits, batteries, etc.

CWS' assistance in Japan continues through CWS programs and partner agencies. One way in which they continue their work is by providing medical and psychological assistance to survivors who are still struggling to find a new norm and who are dealing with survivors guilt.

25th Anniversary Celebration of the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk

In December 2010, the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee celebrated its 40th anniversary and the 25th anniversary of the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk.

At the celebratory luncheon, the Interfaith Conference recognized CROP Coordinators and Committee members **Ralph and Dorothy Babcock** and their church **Grace Presbyterian Church** for its outstanding commitment to the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk since its beginning in 1985. The Babcocks were presented with an award commemorating their 25th anniversary of commitment to the Walk and Grace Presbyterian received a special Certificate of Appreciation.

The Babcocks began as CROP Coordinators for Grace Presbyterian Church in 1985 and soon afterwards joined the CROP Committee. They have given their time and energy to CROP and have contributed to the event and committee by sharing materials and resources that were generously made available by Grace Presbyterian. Some of those items included tables and chairs, home baked cookies, the button designer and the church itself for meetings, just to name a few. Ralph provided the yellow school bus which transported volunteers and struggling walkers and Dorothy supervised the finish line area.

The Babcocks announced their retirement as coordinators and committee members after 25 years of service. They have more than earned a break from the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk. Thank you Ralph and Dorothy for everything. We appreciate you both for all you have done.

Honorable Mentions

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We would like to take a moment to acknowledge some coordinators, congregations and individuals who went above and beyond for the 2010 Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk.

Peter Crysdale, Grace Presbyterian Church: The tradition of having a new button design each year for the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk began in 1987. Since 2005, Peter Crysdale has been the official CROP button designer, making buttons for the walkers and collectors to enjoy. Thank you Peter for helping us continue the tradition. As a token of our appreciation, Peter was awarded with two tickets to a Milwaukee Bucks game. Hope you enjoyed the tickets Pete! (All of the buttons starting from 1987 are on display at the Interfaith Conference office. Stop by to check them out.)

Thank you to our big fundraisers. Most raised overall by a congregation: **Three Holy Women** (Ann Rovito) = \$4,786.65. Most raised online by a congregation: **Trinity Episcopal** (Marcus White) = \$1,226. Most raised by an individual online: **Mark Beilke** (Trinity Episcopal)= \$766. Most raised in matching funds: **Whitnall Park Lutheran** (Charles Schoenleber) = \$800. Thank you all and well done!

Most walkers at the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk: **St. Agnes (Gerry Wolf) = 68, **MATC Economicas Class** (Jim Carpenter) = 48, **Immanuel Presbyterian** (Rev. Jean Dow) & **Oak Creek Community U.M.C.** (Suzanne Doyle) = 35.** Great job!

Doreen Klauck, St. Paul's Episcopal Church: The Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk Committee has lost a long-time member. In March 2011, Doreen Klauck lost her 2 1/2 year battle with cancer. She and her husband Ken have been active members of the Committee since 1990. In addition to serving as CROP Coordinator for St. Paul's Episcopal Church with her husband, Doreen started a program of food ingathering for distribution through Interchange in the church's neighborhood. The last time the whole committee was together was in December when the Interfaith Conference recognized Ralph and Dorothy Babcock for their 25th anniversary of involvement with the CROP Hunger Walk. We were all grateful to see Doreen there with her big smile and infectious energy. We were grateful for her commitment to the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk and Committee, even while she was ill. We thank her and will miss her.

Thank You

Volunteers: Beatrice Brumfield, Mack & Kathy Carver, Congregation Shalom, Crossroads Presbyterian Church, Peter Crysdale, Jim Fieldhack, Nicholas Larson, Suzette Larson, Rich Lindberg, Bob & Dee Manyen, Ann Paese, Dawn Sampson

Donors: American Red Cross, Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, Boelter Companies, East Side Ovens, Grace Presbyterian Church, Hinckley Springs, John Munger and the Village Ramblers, Lamers Bus Lines, Lopez Bakery, Milwaukee Bucks, Milwaukee Police Department, North Shore Presbyterian Church, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Roundys, Inc., St. Benedict the Moor

Matching Funds: Assurant Health Foundation, First Data Foundation, GE Foundation, and Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

Join the Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk Committee

The Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk Committee is the brains and heartbeat behind the CROP Hunger Walk every year.

This year, we are looking to recruit new committee members to bring new energy and ideas to the Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk. Committee members are assigned certain roles and responsibilities that are integral to the success of the event.

The committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:00—7:30 p.m. at the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee.

Contact Nicole Carver for more information (414) 276-9050 or Nicolec@interfaithconference.org

2010 Greater Milwaukee CROP Hunger Walk Committee

- Ralph and Dorothy Babcock, Grace Presbyterian Church
- Nicole Carver, Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee
- Gaston Razafy, Church World Service
- Marie Jewell, Hunger Task Force
- Ken and Doreen Klauck, St. Paul's Episcopal Church
- Pam Uhrig, First Congregational United Church of Christ

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