



the ANTI-HUNGER ADVOCATE

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GOVERNOR HUNTSMAN DECLARES AUGUST 11 TO BE GOLDEN RULE DAY: COME HELP CELEBRATE AT SUGARHOUSE PARK

On July 21 Governor Jon Huntsman Jr. signed a declaration making August 11 Golden Rule Day for the state of Utah. AHAC members Darla Ball and Lou Anne Stevenson were present for the signing ceremony.

Darla Ball says it is a good thing that the Governor signed this declaration because so many people in Utah need services that they are currently not receiving. "Maybe he is starting to realize all the things people need," says Ball. AHAC is very grateful to Governor Huntsman for his role in restoring vision and dental benefits to Medicaid.

At 5:30 PM on Thursday, August 11, AHAC will be helping to organize a Golden Rule Festival and Picnic. Performers at this festival will include music by Jubilate Choir, the United Church of Sudan Choir, the First Congregational Church of Somoa's Youth, the Tongan Choir of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Everyone is invited to attend this free, fun event. **Bring your friends.**



AHAC'S ANNUAL BARBECUE: FUN IN THE SUN

On the evening of July 12 about 60 people attended AHAC's third annual summer barbecue. Those who dared to go outside on the first day of the summer with a temperature over 100 degrees had fun and got to meet new people.



CAN WE END HUNGER IN THIS COUNTRY?

On July 28 over 50 people attended a workshop, cosponsored by AHAC, featuring Zelinda Welch from Bread for the World talking about an important bill in Washington DC called the Hunger Free Communities Act. The Hunger Free Communities Act is a bill that sets the goal of ending hunger in this country within ten years and takes small but important steps toward reaching that goal.

Among the people in attendance were staff people from the offices of Senator Bob Bennett and Senator Orrin Hatch. AHAC members hope those staff members learned from this workshop and that both of Utah's Senators will agree to sponsor this important bill.



Workshop attendees enjoy a meal together



Zelinda Welch from Bread For the World, a national hunger organization, led the workshop and taught us about the bill.



Would you like to learn about free ways you can use email and the internet to contact elected officials and tell them what they should be doing? Contact Bill Germundson at 364-7765 ex 130 to receive a copy of ***The AHAC Guide To Internet Activism.***

Feel

by James Gomez Robb

cold hot warm feel
 timid frost chill feel
 rough solid firm feel
 call speak say feel
 see sight dream feel
 sing sound voice feel
 cry purpose outburst
 lie illusion not feel
 honesty affirm fact feel
 kill die bad feel
 feelifeoneverreality
 feelivesbreathdeep
 feelordspeakstous

Abound

by Joey Lee

Friends surround
 Friends they do abound
 Friends treat me with respect
 Friends because
 Much they don't expect.

Best friends I've made
 Who are down and out.
 Good friends made
 Who've passed on, passed out.
 To make me realize
 What path I'm on
 Not changing my ways
 Only aware
 How limited my days.



This group art project was completed at AHAC's July picnic as part of our new program, Open Arts, where people get together and make art and write individually or as a group. Open Arts meets every Tuesday from 1:30 to 4:30 in the basement of First United Methodist Church, on the corner of 200 South and 200 East. For more information about Open Arts contact Elizabeth at 364-7765.

Join us this Tuesday!

Doug's Joke of the Month

by: Douglas Cotant



There are 145 more shopping left until Christmas; There are three types of Clauses; Main Clause in a Sentence, subordinate Clause;.....And there there's Santa Clause!

The Anti-Hunger Advocate is a monthly newsletter of the Anti-Hunger Action Committee (AHAC).

Our Mission: The Anti-Hunger Action Committee is a membership organization composed of and led by food pantry clients and their friends.

- We unite many different kinds of people served by food pantries in order to increase community involvement of low income Utahns.
- We educate Salt Lake County residents about available resources and issues facing food pantry clients.
- We organize food pantry clients and their friends to take action on their own behalf.
- We promote solutions to problems that cause hunger and poverty in the lives of our members.

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Submissions: To submit an item to the newsletter, please contact AHAC at Crossroads Urban Center, 364-7765.

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