



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ALTOONA/JOHNSTOWN

MARCH 2021

THRIFT STORES KEEPING BUSY

The SVDP Altoona Johnstown Council operates eight thrift stores in three counties. Thanks to many generous donors the stores are filled with treasures just waiting to be discovered.

Proceeds from your donation stay in your community and the local SVDP councils and conferences help families and individuals with rent, utilities, etc.

Like many other businesses the COVID-19 restrictions forced the stores to close last spring and a few more times after reopening last summer. Many volunteers were unable to return due, to among other things, health concerns. Elsie Flick, a longtime volunteer at the Altoona thrift store said, "I miss the other volunteers and the shoppers. I can't wait until I am able to come back."

ALTOONA

1215 7th Ave
943-1981

CARROLLTOWN

204 N Main St
344-9309

CRESSON

115 Ashcroft Ave
886-9566

EBENSBURG

Ebensburg Mini Mall
472-4362

JOHNSTOWN

301 Central Ave
535-4357

N. CAMBRIA

1907 Bigler Ave

NANTY-GLO

1005 Caroline St
749-6043

STATE COLLEGE

1300 Benner Pike, Suite B
867-3131

The stores need volunteers. There are a lot of "jobs" to do to keep the stores running.

If you are interested in seeing what is available click on the thrift store on the right to go to the individual stores Facebook pages.



Nanty Glo thrift store ready for spring.



Shown above, a volunteer from the **St. Joseph's Conference** in Williamsburg taking fish dinners to vehicles on Friday, March 26. Their annual Fish Fry was successful but held differently from previous years as all dinners were take-out only.



- **FRIDAY, APRIL 2**
Community Garden Spring Planting
St. Bernadine Monastery, 793 Monastery Rd, Hollidaysburg
10:30 AM - 2:00 PM
- **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**
13th Annual Rio Golf Outing
Park Hills Country Club, Altoona
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Famvin Quote of the day March 26

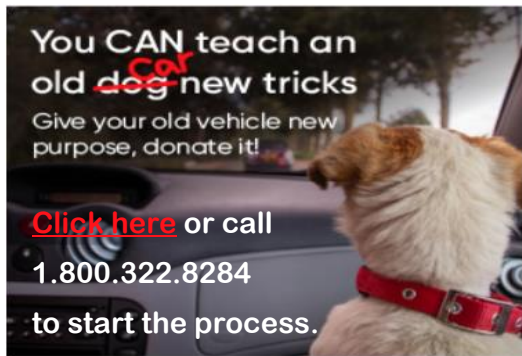
Sometimes, Lord, I fail to see your loving hand in the events of each day, especially the painful ones. When will I learn to rely on you and not on myself?

- St. Louise de Marillac



On March 11 the Memorial Staff of [Conemaugh Health Systems](#) donated their annual Christmas gifts to **Johnstown Food for Families** and **SVDP St. Andrews Johnstown Food Pantry**. Each site received \$1,000.

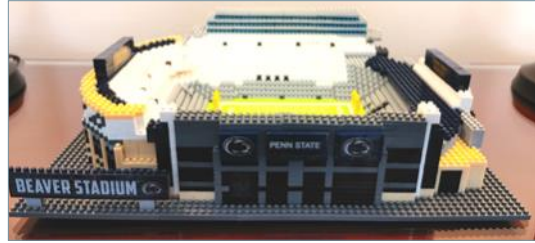
Pictured above from the right: Kristen Hudak, Conemaugh Health Systems Marketing Director; and William Caldwell, Conemaugh Health Systems Marketing President presenting the check to Sonny Consiglio, SVDP Executive Director; Bill Blum, St. Andrew's Pantry Director; Tom Leheman, FFF Warehouse Manager.



[Click here](#) for more information on Voice of the Poor.

BEAVER STADIUM MODEL AUCTION BENEFITS SVDP YOUTH MINISTRY

Daniel D. assembled a model of Penn State Beaver Stadium, using a kit with roughly 3,000 BRXLZ building blocks. After spending 30 hours on this project he offered it to St. Vincent de Paul and suggested SVDP have an auction to raise money for the **Youth Ministry**.



"I am thankful to a dear friend for his donation and suggesting the auction." said Sonny Consiglio, SVDP Executive Director.



The auction raised \$300. The winning bidder, Joe Keller.



Dan and Adele Weaver man the ticket table as Sister Paula directs patrons at the annual Spring Chicken BBQ on Sunday, March 28 at the **Altoona Soup Kitchen**.