

... I was hungry
and you gave me
food,
I was thirsty
and you gave me
drink,
I was a stranger
and you welcomed
me ...



Over 1,140,000
meals served.

Meals are UP but so are costs, while donations are DOWN

Good News, Bad News!

by Chuck Thompson

The founding philosophy of Our Daily Bread is to serve all who are hungry, regardless of where they live, their economic status, their age, their ethnicity, or other demographics that many feeding programs use to screen their diners. We respect our guests and refuse to ask intrusive personal questions in exchange for a meal.

The **good news** is that we have continued to serve meals for 30 years in spite of recent economic challenges which have resulted in an increase in the number of people seeking meals. At the same time, it has become more

difficult to attract new donations necessary to cover our increasing costs. Thank goodness our regular donors are so faithful!

In 2013, we will set a new record for the number of meals served. It is anticipated that we will serve over 67,000 meals this year, up 7% from the record set last year of 62,705. And we have been able to do this while keeping our cost per meal below \$2.



A \$25,000 deficit

The **bad news** is that our income in 2013 is anticipated to fall from last year, when we received four large anonymous gifts in December. The

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OUR DAILY BREAD serves hot nutritious meals to hungry people three days each week. Anyone is served without regard to race, color, national origin, immigration status, age, gender, or disability. Regular serving hours are 11:00–12:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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Good News, Bad News (cont'd from page 1)

result of increased costs and decreased income points to a deficit of \$25,000 for this year. Fortunately we have enough in reserve to cover this shortfall. But it will create a challenge for us in the third quarter of 2014 unless we can find additional donations that will more than cover the increasing costs associated with the increasing number of meals.

NEW INITIATIVES

In an effort to meet that challenge head on, our Fundraising Committee has launched several new initiatives.

Friends of Our Daily Bread

Our Daily Bread is pleased to be introducing (see page 3) a new channel for donations that will allow more companies to make matching gifts that directly benefit Our Daily Bread.

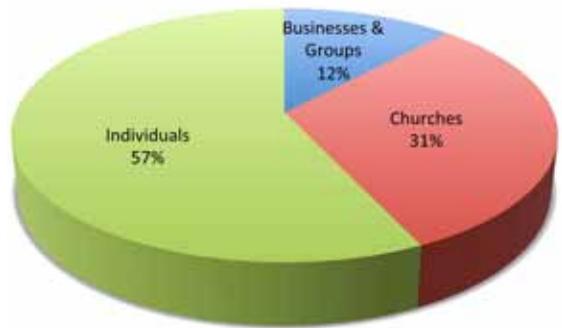
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Our Daily Bread is also pleased to be introducing (see page 4) a new website. In addition to the new, easier-to-find address and new look, it also contains information that prospective donors have asked for. Check it out and let us know what you think.

Expanded Fundraising Activity

The Fundraising Committee is also increasing its activities to reach new do-

Sources of Income
2013 Projected Income \$90,000



nors. Looking at the pie chart of where our income is coming from today, you see that businesses make up only 12% of the dollar amount. We believe this segment offers the greatest potential for expansion and so we will be focusing on achieving just that.

But rest assured, we will also be seeking to expand as well the other two segments, individuals and churches. So don't be surprised if you hear from us more frequently in the future.

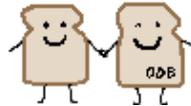
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Does your company match gifts?

ODB has a new channel for gifts

Many companies have a gift-matching program, where they double or sometimes triple a donation made by one of their employees. Unfortunately some of those gift-matching programs (for example, Apple, one of our larger in-kind food suppliers) will not match gifts made to religious organizations. That exclusion has prevented ODB, a legal part of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, from benefiting from those matching programs.

UNTIL NOW, that is! — Enter



Friends of
Our Daily Bread

In late 2012 a new California corporation, Friends of Our Daily Bread (FOODB), was established as a non-religious public benefit charity whose sole purpose is to provide funding for Our Daily Bread. It was launched by several ODB volunteers who are committed to ensuring that 100% of the funds donated to FOODB are given to ODB on a monthly basis. Because FOODB is a 501(c)(3) corporation, donations to FOODB are tax deductible, as are donations directly to ODB. **But more importantly, donations to FOODB qualify for most company matching gifts.**

So if your company has a gift-matching program but excludes gifts to religious organizations, please make your gift to FOODB instead of to ODB and then apply to your company for a match. Your donation, as well as your company's matching gift, will go to ODB on a timely basis.

Please check the details of your company's gift-matching program and make your gift count the most by making it to FOODB when appropriate. **Your effort could double the benefit ODB receives.**

To send a gift to Friends of Our Daily Bread, make your check out to FOODB and mail it to
Friends of Our Daily Bread
% Chuck Thompson
19742 Bixby Drive
Cupertino, CA 95014-3325

*The tax ID number (TINEIN) for FOODB is 46-2017835.
If you have any questions, please call Chuck at 408-257-0177.*

ODB launches its new website

Be Sure to Visit

OurDailyBread-Sunnyvale.org

by Chuck Thompson



Thanks to Paul Wilcox, ODB Board Member and Website Committee Chairman, we have a new website!

Many of you have suggested that we needed to upgrade our website. Well, we finally did! We hope you like what you see and will take a moment to visit it. Please use the contact link letting us know how we've done so far.

When you visit, hopefully you will notice that we have incorporated many of your suggestions. In addition we have added information that prospective supporters have told us we should have, like financial information. As with any 'first release,' there is more work to be done. But we wanted to share it with you now, so we can benefit from your observations.

So let us hear from you. Please!

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ODB “Goodie” Bags for Diners’ Presents

by Jan Camp

Set-up on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m.

Fill bags on Sunday, Dec. 15 9:00–10:30 a.m.



Each Christmas season our ODB diners receive bags filled with toiletries and candy you help provide by saving the travel sized soaps, lotions, shampoo, and similar items we all collect at motels or on cruises. These plus tooth brushes and pastes and candy are what make up the contents of the bags we distribute the week before Christmas. Last year we ran out of everything except candy! We actually receive plenty of candy from our various ODB suppliers, plus leftover Halloween candy from volunteers and parishioners.

In addition, our homeless diners receive special bags which can be discreetly given at a different time. These require purchased items: socks, T-shirts, razors, deodorants, sanitizers, and gloves. In addition, many ask if we have sweatshirts, washcloths or hand wipes, and underwear. When purchasing items like T- and sweat-shirts, large

and extra large are best. We distribute bags to homeless women who prefer the larger sizes too.

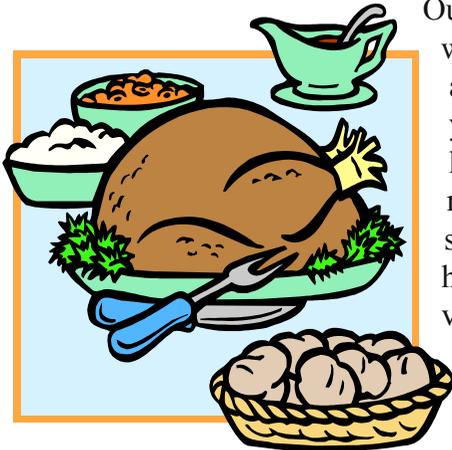
Please bring your donations to the ODB or church office, or to me personally. Thanks for your past help and please continue!

For those who want to contribute larger, more expensive items: Sunnyvale Community Services has a huge number of families they provide for all year and even more at Christmas. They especially need new toys, hoodies, and games for children ages seven through eleven and always run out of them. Families need new full or queen size sheets, cooking pots and pans, and large rice cookers. Gift cards are always appropriate. These gifts need to be brought to the agency’s food and toy drive early—before November 27. See their website at www.svcommunityservices.org

*Many thanks for your past support
to this worthwhile project.*

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Our Daily Bread's Annual Fundraising Drive



Our Daily Bread has served hot meals three times a week to the aged, homeless, unemployed, disabled, and working poor in our community for over 30 years. ODB served over 62,500 meals in 2012 and has already served over 50,900 meals in the first nine months of 2013. ODB is the only constant source of food for many of the impoverished and homeless people in our community and their survival depends on our program..

ODB anticipates that 2013 will be a financially challenging year. Our expenses are projected to exceed our income by \$25,000 due to the growing number of diners. ODB strives to keep overhead expenses low and the per-meal cost below \$2. We need your help so that we may continue to feed the impoverished members of our community.

A donation of \$28 will provide meals to a homeless person for 1 month!

A donation of \$126 will provide meals to a hungry mother and child for 3 months!

A gift of \$335 will provide meals to an unemployed worker for 1 year!

Although ODB receives support from churches, businesses, and civic organizations, the majority of our financial support comes from caring individuals. Between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day we hope to receive the funds that will carry us through most of 2014. If you wish to make a financial contribution, we have enclosed an envelope in the newsletter; or if you prefer to donate online, please visit our new website at

www.OurDailyBread-Sunnyvale.org

and click on the DONATE button at the bottom of any page.

**We thank you for considering our request
and for supporting Our Daily Bread!**

Vista 'Closers'

Jacob and Dana are closers—but it isn't baseball they're playing, it's clean-up time (12:30 to 2 p.m.) at ODB. By the end of serving time, we volunteers are often bone weary and it's a joy to see our clean-up crew arrive. Sometimes four students, but often only one or two; but their help makes a big difference to David Barnes and all of us who are still working.

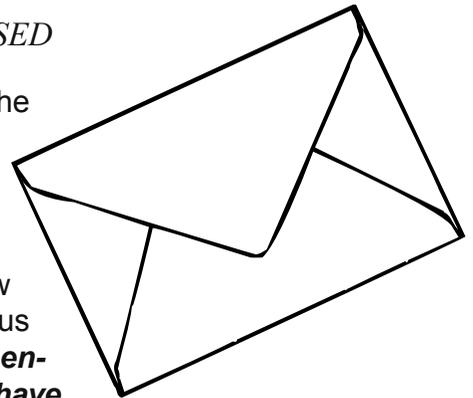
These students are part of the Vista program at Fremont High School in Sunnyvale

and unique in that they are without a teacher or aide. They take responsibility for arriving on time, listening to instructions, and getting their work accomplished. This work may be wiping down tables, chairs, carts, walls, carrying black bags of garbage to the dumpster, rinsing huge food containers, or the clean job of rolling towels so they fit into drawers or putting forks into napkins for the next serving day. Yes, they are very flexible and very much appreciated!



CONTRIBUTOR'S ENVELOPE ENCLOSED

Each year at this time we enclose an envelope in the newsletter for the convenience of those who want to make a financial contribution to ODB. Though ODB receives support from business and civic organizations, the majority of our financial support comes from caring individuals. Between Thanksgiving and New Year's day we hope to receive the funds that will carry us through most of 2014. **To increase your gift, please enclose your company's "matching gift" form, if they have one.** If you prefer to donate online, please visit our website at www.OurDailyBread-Sunnyvale.org and click on **DONATE NOW** at the bottom of any page.



Thanks

30th Anniversary & Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Many people made this year's dinner a success. We couldn't possibly thank them all individually, but a few did stand out and deserve recognition.

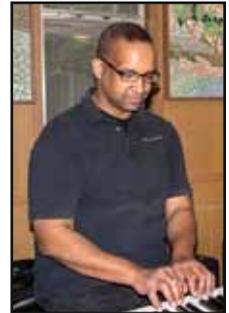
Many thanks to Lee Allen, pianist (and our own ODB volunteer), and



The Star Geezers

to Jim Reynolds and The Star Geezers. They provided the great musical entertainment. Special thanks to David Barnes and Susan Latshaw

for food preparation, to Lolita Rolufs for decorations ("Mardi Gras" was the theme), to Elaine Ho for appetizers, to Pat Dare for photography, and to a team of St. Thomas and ODB volunteers for set up, dinner service, and cleanup.



Lee Allen

David's BBQ for Volunteers

On Saturday, September 28th, David Barnes treated the volunteers to a barbecue in Washington Park. He had all the usual picnic fare, plus special dishes that talented volunteers brought to share. It made for a terrific meal. Our thanks to David for his hard work and to those who helped him fix the various grilled foods, salads, desserts, and the attractive table decorations. What a wonderful way to show how he appreciates the ODB volunteers!



David at BBQ

Chiyo Winters

2013 Bread Loaf Award Recipient



Each year the ODB Management Board presents the Bread Loaf Award to one or more representative volunteers to recognize the efforts of all the workers who make this program possible.

At the ODB Volunteers dinner on Saturday, May 18th, David Barnes told the audience about this cheerful, hard-working, bundle-of-energy person who was selected as the 2013 Volunteer Of The Year. Chiyo began as the Friday early set-up person, preparing the coffee, tea, milk and juice, cleaning tables, setting tables, and then staying to help in the kitchen and dining room. Then, she added Monday and Wednesday because she could easily see that there was so much work to do those days as well.

Speaking of her energy, Chiyo walks quite a distance from her home to ODB because she doesn't drive. In addition, she uses her time and talent at Heritage Park Museum where she usually is found Tuesday and Thursday doing archival work or being a docent. She's been active in the Sunnyvale Historical Society her entire adult years and is a walking encyclopedia regarding Sunnyvale and Santa Clara Valley history. No one showed surprise, just lots of enthusiastic clapping that she was being honored for all her consistent hard work.



Congratulations, Chiyo!

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Holiday Pantry Wish List

We are graciously requesting the following food donations for our holiday meals:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Sweet Potatoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Peanut Butter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Corn | <input type="checkbox"/> Elbow Macaroni |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Green Beans | <input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Gravy | <input type="checkbox"/> Powdered Milk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mushroom Soup | (using 30 gallons/week) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Stock | |



We wish to thank all of the contributors who have already donated turkeys and hams. You have filled our needs (and our freezer)! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call ODB at (408) 736-4108. The preferred times to drop off donations are Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Thank you for helping to make this holiday season special to the hungry and homeless in our community!

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eScrip **REMINDER:**

Did you renew your Safeway card at eScrip? Your previous registration expired on October 31. So if you haven't already done it, please renew TODAY at eScrip.com so that ODB will continue to earn money when you shop.

Note: Credit card payments to Safeway do NOT earn rewards.
All other forms of payment do earn rewards.
Questions? Call us at 408-736-4108.



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REMINDERS

Important Dates

Wed., Nov. 27Thanksgiving Meal
Tues., Dec. 10Board meeting
Fri., Dec. 20Christmas Meal
Tues., Feb. 11Board meeting

Donations

Please consider ODB in your holiday giving — see **page 7** for our annual “Contributor’s Envelope.” See **page 5** for donating Christmas gift items to our diners and **page 10** for donating food items. Your support is always needed and greatly appreciated.

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