

“Answering the call of those in Need” Newsletter

New Vision Pioneers-William J Denver Chapter

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WJ Denver chapter of the New Vision Pioneers started 2018 with enthusiasm and go getter spirit in spite of our bad weather!

We had a special opportunity to partner with both Junior achievement and Verizon Government Affairs Group to support 2,500 – 8th graders from 13 middle schools in Providence, Pawtucket, Central Falls and Burrillville areas of RI.



On March 27th, our volunteers helped coordinate all areas the children were assigned to and ensured all received the required information for a successful hands-on career fair – the new signature program for JA for students to learn about engineering and technology jobs.

Our volunteers were Carol Baker, Bruce Broadard, Margaret Martin, Linda Winman, John Winman, Jeannine Jackson and RI JA President Lee Lewis- photos to the left!



Our second project this year was to partner with the Thomas J Sherwin Chapter together we knitted over 100 little hats and mittens in support of Big Hearts organized by the American Heart Association to aid babies in the community. Special thanks to Verna Semple, Sally Higgins Monroe, Joan Carney and her knitting team to make this happen.

March 24th we participated in the Andy's attic volunteer day for which we contributed 355 basic need items to support this organization for whom teenagers help support those in need in the community and teenagers at the school in need.



We continue our monthly dinners at soup kitchens, shelters and churches throughout our Chapter's footprint. Jeremiah's Inn and Feed my Sheep are just a couple.

For information on where you can help out with any of our upcoming projects or to make a donation please contact the club president in your area, listed below.

Looking Back.....

Capital Region Pioneers & friends distributed 40 Filled stockings to the Residents at Rosewood Nursing Home.

Filled stockings made possible with help of Pioneers, Pittstown Methodist Church and the Christ Methodist Church in Johnsonville
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.



We also sponsored over 100 families for Thanksgiving and Christmas to ensure everyone had a wonderful holiday season.



Wreaths Across America was held on December 16th. We once again helped fill the Agawam Veterans Cemetery with wreaths for every soldier.



Last year we volunteered at Project Just Because in Hopkington, MA. The latest was to re-supply the warehouse with 500 pairs of shoes for all ages and engaged our volunteers.



Working together with Verizon Government Affairs and Local Unions we were able to distribute 200 backpacks filled with school supplies to Adoption RI and in the process gained new volunteers!!

Upcoming this spring.....



Jammie Time is a project near and dear to our hearts. We will once again be donating pajamas and books to support communities in our area.



Monthly VA Bingo in RI.

We will also be working with schools and scout troops to have a Fairy Day event where we will be building fairy houses in the woods with children.

We received a request from a local Pioneer to support - Operation Cookie Drop and were provided with an overseas contact to send cookies to the troops for which this supported Pioneers, Our troops serving and the Girl Scouts.

Cuddle and Kind – to help feed families in need and donate the dolls to area shelters.



We will be distributing over 500 hygiene kits to shelters and Veterans homes with monies from our National- TPCF grant.

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