

Boca Helping Hands (BHH) - Thursday Family Dinner Night March 10, 2016



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Knights of Columbus 11421 Helping Life Program



An evening was spent helping to feed needy families at the Food Center of Remillard Family Resource Center also known as Boca Helping Hands. Participants were (l,r) Brother Knight Larry Bower, Janet Burkhardt, Pina and Luis Forero and Brother Knight Alan Daniello.

Family Night Dinner is served every Thursday evening from 4:30 to 6:00pm to needy families. Only families are admitted that evening and entertainment is usually provided for the children. For our evening, BHH provided a dog handler who brought along a black Labrador Retriever to teach the children how to care and handle dogs.

Deanna Duke BHH's Volunteer Program Manager met us at the Food Center area and gave us brief orientation and tour of the facilities. Brother Knights Larry and Alan were working in the warehouse filling zip lock bags with bagels and dinner rolls that had been delivered that day, Janet, Pina and Luis worked in the food center area serving drinks and distributing pantry bags to the families.

It was a very busy evening and the time went quickly but it was a very rewarding evening knowing that we were helping people and practicing mercy in our faith, hope and charity.



In addition to the Helping Life Program for Boca Helping Hands, a group of Knights and parishioners helped with the Pantry Bag Distribution Program on Saturday January 30th.

The group was large enough to divide into two groups. One group went to the West Boca location at Boca Glades Baptist Church to help with the setup of tents and distribution of the pantry bags. Others remained

behind at Remillard Family Resource Center in Boca Raton and worked in the warehouse marking bar codes on cans and grocery items.

We thank Richard for organizing another great event. Another Boca Helping Hands event is planned for April 30th. 5-8 participants are needed for this event. For information contact Richard Thum at 561-482-2067 or email at richardathum@gmail.com