

## PLS Public Service Projects

### *Children's Book Drive*

By Lisa Godon, Hennepin County Attorney's Office

As public lawyers, many of us were drawn to public service with a goal of helping people and enriching the communities we serve. In that spirit, the Public Law Section is conducting a children's book drive at the May 5, 2017, annual meeting and CLE. The books will be donated to St. Joseph's Home for Children, the Hennepin County Domestic Abuse Service Center, and Tubman. New and gently-used books are greatly appreciated, especially board books for toddlers. Please contribute what you can!

### *Loaves & Fishes*

By Kim Buechel Mesun, Minneapolis Public Schools

PLS volunteers meet on the first Wednesday of even-numbered months to prepare the meal at Loaves and Fishes in the basement of Holy Rosary church in South Minneapolis. The next meals prepared will be on April 5 and June 7 starting at 3:00 p.m. The PLS funds approximately \$300 of the cost of the food for each meal and the rest is paid for through individual donations. The PLS volunteers (and friends) cook the meal and do set up. Then the University of Wisconsin – Madison alumni come in to serve and clean up. They also bring in fresh fruit for the meal.

If you would like to volunteer or make an individual donation, contact Kim Mesun at [kim.mesun@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:kim.mesun@mpls.k12.mn.us) .



### **August 3, 2016**

We continued with our warm weather meal offering of beef tacos. Fourteen volunteers were on hand to cook up the meal. Thank you to food prep volunteers Nancy Gove, Beth Gloppen, Cindy Atsatt, Ginny Hinzman, Greg Brooker, Michael Green, Nancy Norman, Kelsey Kelly, Steve Fouts (and his four daughters Miah, Elise, Cabrini, and Maryn), and Kim Mesun. Also thank you for the financial and food donations from Mary Miller, Emily Schnait, Katie Engler, Nancy Norman and Kim Mesun.



### **October 5, 2016**

With the cooler weather, we returned to cooking up our famous Tator Tot Hotdish. Eight volunteers cooked up the hotdish for the approximately 200-250 adults and children who came to the Loaves and Fishes meal on October 5. Thank you to volunteers Greg Brooker, Beth Gloppen, Nancy Gove, Steve Fouts, Nancy Norman, Margaret Olson, Cindy Atsatt, and Kim Mesun. Also thank you for financial and food donations from Booth Law Group and Nancy Norman.

### **December 7, 2016**

Pearl Harbor Day found us once again cooking up Tator Tot Hotdish. Eleven volunteers cooked up the hotdish, green beans, and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. Thank you to food prep volunteers Nancy Norman, Nancy McLean, Nancy Gove, Beth Gloppen, Tom Kalitowski, Steve Fouts, Ginny Hinzman, Michael Green, Michael (all the way from London, England), Craig Mesun, and Kim Mesun. Also thank you for financial and food donations from Nancy Norman, Nancy McLean, and Beth Gloppen.

### **February 1, 2017**

The new year saw ten volunteers whipping up the famous Tator Tot Hotdish. Thank you to food prep volunteers Nancy McLean, Nancy Gove, Nancy Norman, Christina Carney and son Clint, John Kirwin, Margaret Westin, Steve Fouts, Ginny Hinzman, and Beth Gloppen. Thank you Nancy Norman, Nancy McLean, and Cindy Atsatt for food and financial donations.