

## *Please help support our upcoming District Conference Community and Children's Projects!*

### Community Project for DisCon 2009



This year, members of **Super District 6400** will help ensure that those in need in our Conference host district will continue to be able to provide for their families by supporting a wonderful and hard-working local organization.

The **Manna Food Project** was established in 1987 by a group of individuals wanting to do something in the community to make sure that no one was going hungry on a daily basis. As they were collecting food to begin a soup kitchen they were just as quickly distributing the food to those in need. From this "The Manna Food Project" came into existence. A relationship was established with Second Harvest Gleaners West Michigan for Manna to become the Subsidiary Distribution Organization in Northern Michigan for Second Harvest. Manna operates a food bank/warehouse outside of Petoskey and currently works with 32 pantries and agencies in **Emmet, Charlevoix, and Antrim** counties to get food to families needing assistance.

Manna works through national stores, companies, food drives and individual donations to provide a variety of food items for their partner agencies and families using the services of the pantry. Not all food items are available from Second Harvest at all times so food collections by organizations such as Rotary District 6400 help to supplement what they receive. Anything that you would find in a grocery store is beneficial, helping someone with their budget and freeing up money to pay bills or purchase other food items. Please help by bringing donated items with you to the District Conference. For further info contact Julie Bell at 519-977-9369 or [jbelle11@cogeco.ca](mailto:jbelle11@cogeco.ca)

**Items will be collected at the dock prior to boarding the ferry.**

#### **Food items needed include:**

- **canned fruit**
- **peanut butter**
- **canned meat (tuna, salmon, chicken, etc.)**
- **macaroni & cheese**
- **cereal**
- **soup**

#### **Non-food items are also welcome:**

- **paper products**
- **cleaning supplies**
- **laundry detergent**
- **pet food**



*Thank you very much for your help with this worthwhile project!  
See you at DisCon!*