A Special Thanks to Parker United Methodist Church, Parker Theater Academy, and PACE Center for raising $10,000 through the Fiddler on the Roof production.

The actors and crew are back to their daily lives, the curtains are hung, the lights have been set back and the Parker Task Force will be able to help hundreds of families in the area. Recently, Parker United Methodist Church (PUMC), Parker Theater Academy, and the PACE Center raised over $10,000 for the Parker Task Force. The production, “Fiddler On the Roof” was a huge success. This production raised $10,000 through donations and proceeds from the event.

September 15th Food Drive

I visited the Parker Task Force facility while a food drive was in action! The drive lasted all day. Food and other items were collected at grocery stores and at PetSmart. The food drive collected a total of $2,140, 321 cases of food, 875 lbs. of pet food, and $805 in gift cards. It was a very successful collection day for PTF thanks to all the volunteers who graciously donate their time and efforts to help others. Thank You!

By: Lily Rogers

Parker E-Cycle Event in July story on page 2.

As we gear up for fall, we are reminded that Thanksgiving is coming up.

Backpack Program for local school children. Read more on page 3.
NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Steve Budnack
Lisa Coe
Mike Frey
Erin McIntyre
Diane Roth

Board meetings are scheduled quarterly.

1st PTF Volunteer Picnic 9/22

It was graciously hosted by: Alan & Terry Kania
Thank you to all of you who attended. You are appreciated and you make our community a better place!

E-Cycle Event

The E-Cycle event was held on Saturday, July 21 at the Sports Authority Stadium in Parker. Douglas County homeowners recycled their worn-out electronics, keeping harmful contaminants out of the landfill with the help of more than 100 other volunteers including members of Boy Scout Troop 88. During the E-Cycle event thirteen Cimarron Middle School National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) students and Lisa Coe, adviser, collected food and raised more than $1,602 for the Parker Task Force to help neighbors in need. The Parker Task Force is a non-profit organization that provides assistance to less fortunate families in our community. Douglas County School District (DCSD) generously sponsored and supported the event. Organizers counted more than 500 cars driving through the event to donate money and food.

By: Megan Yu
Fiddler on the Roof continued

Kim Moore, the theatrical coordinator, deserves a big round of applause after organizing and producing the play. Kurt Stroman (member of PUMC) said, “We hope that this money has a direct impact on those struggling in our community. Our goal is to use the arts as a conduit for the good of our very own people.” It was a beautiful thing seeing all the organizations come together for a common reason. On behalf of the Parker Task Force, we would like to thank everyone involved in the “Fiddler On The Roof” and to all those who attended the play or gave donations. Your commitment to our community year after year is greatly appreciated.

By: Presley Batchelor

Ave Maria Food Drive

Fall is almost here. With the change in weather as it turns colder and with the holidays coming up, the last thing you want to worry about is having enough food. Thanks to some organizations in the neighborhood, people won’t have to. Ave Maria Church recently collected bags of food during their annual fall festival. Over 300 bags were donated to the Parker Task Force from this parish. “It was all a good deed we could do for our community and I was glad to donate,” said one parishioner. They were collecting food after worship services all week and also had a pick-up truck sitting on the sidewalk for drive up donations. Now everyone will have food for the holidays.

By: Brock Jones

Community Volunteers Make the difference!

1. Commitment
2. Dedication
3. Caring
4. Generous

BACKPACK PROGRAM
PTF and Parker Adventist Hospital have partnered with a local elementary school to provide students with a backpack with food for the weekend. Students have been identified by the school district as needing help. Families are very appreciative of this support. This program is currently serving 17 children and has the possibility of expanding.

November 10th is 9 Cares
Colorado Shares

Colorado Gives Day 2012 will take place during a 24-hour period on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2012. Information can be found at www.cogivesday.org