## News from the Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council By Joanne Dicker, President

Thank you all for attending our February programs including Stand with Survivors, Hate Groups and Healing and Children of Abraham's Peace Coalition Camp sponsored by the council, its members or partners. Our upcoming programs include:

 Knock your Socks off! The Council is collecting <u>NEW</u> children's, women's and men's socks for PADS. Look for a collection box at your place of worship during the months of February, March or April. Please help your less fortunate neighbors during these cold months and provide desperately needed socks. See attached flier.

2. Feed my Starving Children: Thursday, April 2, 2020: Please join our 10 congregations participating in packing food for Feed My Starving Children at 742 E. Park Avenue, Libertyville. We are offering two sessions: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. or 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. All are welcome over the age of 5 to help out. No experience necessary. Sign up on line at: fmsc.org or the written sign- up sheet, (see attached flier)

3. Gently used or new book collection for infant to pre-K: April, 2020. This April, help the Wheeling Rotary and Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council collect gently used or new books. This initiative seeks to support and encourage parents to read to their children and make books available to them. We also endeavor to help pre-school children gain confidence in their reading ability, in English, Spanish or both. These books would be made available for free in a variety of community facilities such as laundromats, food pantries, preschools, churches and synagogues. Did you know that 70% or people in jail or in juvenile court can't read past the third grade and 80% of school drop-outs can't read past the third grade?

 "Stamp out Hunger": Saturday, May 9, 2020: Place non-perishable food in your mailbox for pick up by your postal carrier. The food is then distributed by the NWSIFC to our food pantries.

5. "i-walk against hunger": Sunday, June 28, 2020: Our annual fundraiser to fight hunger in the suburbs and raise funds for the increased use of our food pantries in the summer due to the end of the school year and its free lunch program.

6. Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration: Sunday, November 22, 2020: Our family oriented celebration including community harmony with prayers, music and hospitality.

For more information on any of our programs, please contact us by e-mail or telephone: <a href="mailto:nwsinterfaith@gmail.com">nwsinterfaith@gmail.com</a>, 224-699-0386 or visit our website at: <a href="http://www.northwestsuburbaninterfaith.org">http://www.northwestsuburbaninterfaith.org</a>

Donations may be made directly to: Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council PO Box 5301
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089



## It's Our Fourth Annual "Knock Your Socks Off" Sock Drive!

The Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council is collecting <a href="new">new</a> men's, women's and children's socks for distribution to our homeless neighbors in the Northwest Suburbs.

Please help us fill the box!

Collection will take place in February, March and April. (Check your congregation)

Thank you for your generosity!







Session time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.



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## The Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council

is holding 2 packing sessions at Feed My Starving Children.

Join other church and synagogue members in the fight against hunger.

Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 742 E. Park Ave., Libertyville 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm or 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm

All are welcome (age 5+) No experience necessary.

You may sign up on line. Go to https://www.fmsc.org/get-involved/volunteer and enter Interfaith Council in the Search Groups space. Or you may sign up below and we will enter your name.

These sessions will fill quickly, so sign up now. PLEASE PRINT

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Look for the book drops in your church or synagogue during the month of April.

Thank you for your support



