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## ***Genoa Main Street Raffle Raises Record \$1,000 to Stock Food Pantry Shelves***

Thanks to generous donations of food and cash plus members of the community who purchased raffle tickets for more than 50 items donated by area businesses and individuals, the Genoa Main Street, Inc. Food Pantry Raffle raised \$1,000 to help stock the pantry's shelves.

The raffle was held Friday night, December 3, in the lobby of Citizens First National Bank as part of Genoa's Celebrate the Season festival.

Prizes donated by Genoa merchants and families and businesses include toys, automotive care products, holiday decorations, clothing and gift certificates. Businesses donating items to the raffle included:

Action Automotive/NAPA,  
Alan Browne Chevrolet,  
All-Natural Chiropractic,  
American Family Insurance,  
Benzinger Printing,  
Book of Numbers,  
Cakes by Barb,  
Carniceria Y Fruteria,  
Cattywampus/MCR Framing,  
Citizens First National Bank,  
Corner Grill on Main,  
Crumpet's Tea Room,  
Cutter's & Co. Family Hair Care,

Edward Jones,  
Everything Floral,  
Joe's Pizza & Pub,  
Hill's Tap,  
Illinois Community Credit Union,  
Karlsbad Tavern,  
La Mexicana Carniceria & Taqueria,  
Laughing Cat Antiques,  
Neat Stuf,  
Primp My Pooch,  
Poppy Seed Primitives,  
Prairie State Winery,  
Reflections Hair Salon,

(more)

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Resource Bank,  
State Farm Insurance,  
Super Wash,  
Tails & Nails,  
Tobinsons Ace Hardware,  
Victoria's Crossing,  
Wakoh Wear,

Wild Thyme Herb Garden,  
and the following individuals:  
Carol Cleveland & Char Miller,  
Arlene Erickson,  
Darla Woodson,  
and Obel Umbdenstock.

This is the 14th year Genoa Main Street, Inc. has sponsored the raffle to benefit the food pantry. Since its inception, the raffle has now raised more than \$6,000 to help put food on the shelves of the pantry. The Genoa-Kingston Food Pantry is an ecumenical ministry of the congregations in the Genoa and Kingston area and hosted by Genoa's Faith United Methodist Church.

Genoa Main Street, Inc. is a volunteer organization dedicated to preserving Genoa's historic heritage and small town wholesomeness while promoting economic development and downtown improvements. For more information, visit their Web site at [www.genoamainstreet.org](http://www.genoamainstreet.org) or call 815-784-6961.

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Genoa Main Street, Inc. director Gene Bradford (left) presents a check for \$1,000 to Genoa-Kingston Food Pantry representative Rev. Daniel Diss of Genoa's Faith United Methodist Church. The funds were raised at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Food Pantry Raffle held during Genoa's Celebrate the Season. The Genoa-Kingston Food Pantry is an ecumenical ministry of the congregations in the Genoa and Kingston area, and hosted by the Methodist Church.

