

Emergency Casserole History

Paul D'Amore was one of the original members of the Sharing Committee when it first began in the early 80's with its primary focus of helping the hungry. In February of 1984, Paul began coordinating volunteers to make casseroles for shelters in the inner city, which he delivered once a month. This led to his collaboration with Sally Corbett, the 1984 Women's Club President, to initiate the idea to have the Guilds provide the casseroles. This was the first partnership of many between the Sharing Committee and the Women's Club. Paul has continued to manage this program since its inception in 1984. The original shelter at St. Sylvester's in Logan Square is now closed and casseroles are now delivered to the Catholic Charities Madonna House in Wrigleyville. There are over 30 Guilds that provide casseroles monthly, allowing us to provide over 1500 meals a year. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this incredible mission!

**OLPH WOMEN'S CLUB
EMERGENCY SHELTER CASSEROLE SCHEDULE
2023-2024**

Each month, the Women's Club provides casseroles to the Emergency Shelter program in support of the Sharing Committee. Each guild is assigned a month and provides six casseroles according to the following schedule:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Guilds</u>
September 2, 2023	38, 39, 40
October 7, 2023	1, 2, 3
November 4, 2023	4, 5, 24
December 2, 2023	6, 7, 8
January 6, 2024	9, 10, 14
February 3, 2024	15, 17, 19
March 2, 2024	20, 21, 22
April 6, 2024	13, 25
May 4, 2024	26, 29
June 1, 2024	30, 31, 32
July 6, 2024	33, 34
August 3, 2024	35, 36, 37
September 7, 2024	38, 39, 40

Each Guild will drop off the casseroles to the Sharing room freezer. Fred Donnelly has again generously volunteered to be our liaison with the Madonna House in Chicago and will be delivering the casseroles.

See instructions below

Instructions for dropping casseroles to the Sharing Room

- Please drop off the casseroles no later than the Tuesday **prior** to your Guild's scheduled date.
- On your Guild's scheduled date, Fred Donnelly will take the casseroles from the Sharing Room and deliver them to the Madonna House.
- Each guild is responsible for six casseroles, serving 10-12 people.
- Casseroles should be store-bought and frozen. Items do not have to be traditional casseroles. Some examples are lasagnas, pasta meals, enchiladas, pot pies, etc. Costco and Gordon Food Service Store have many options.
- Cooking instructions and contents should be clearly marked.
- Label each Casserole: **Emergency Shelter, Guild #_____**
- Place the casseroles in the low white freezer on the north wall of the Sharing Room in the Lafayette Building.

An email reminder will be sent to each guild prior to the assigned month.

Thank you!

Please email Colleen Mocogni with any questions
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