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## **Master's Table Community Meals marks 10th anniversary**

## **By Patricia Villers**

ANSONIA - Earlier this year a local nonprofit marked its 10th anniversary and we at The Valley Voice would like to congratulate the all-volunteer Master's Table Community Meals on this milestone.

From its humble beginnings back in 2011 when it fed 23 guests in the basement of Christ Church, Master's Table has become an integral part of the Lower Naugatuck Valley.

In an emailed release founder Jim Fedak said since 2011 Master's Table has served more than 8,000 dinners and the largest meal to date served 200 at one time.

Fedak lauded the years of dedication of Chef Vinny LaRocca who, he said, has been with the nonprofit since the second meal was served.

"We started doing two meals a month in 2015," Fedak said, who works alongside his wife, Janette Feltz-Fedak, through every step of the operation.





THINK about the homeless or your friends in need, GATHER together to help,

FEED yourself and someone a hot meal.

Don't go hungry. There's always room at our table.



The Fedaks expressed pride in two awards they have had bestowed upon them and the organization: the 2015 Valley Council Program Agency of the Year Award and the Nick Collicelli Legacy Award in 2018.

The organization launched an emergency food bank that has assisted nearly 50 needy individuals since mid-2018. And, Fedak said, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic the nonprofit offered monthly blood pressure screenings by Griffin Hospital parish nurses at its Sunday dinners.

Currently the twice-monthly meals are served takeout only. The next takeout dinner will be offered from 3:30-5 p.m. Aug. 22 - or until food runs out - at Assumption Church hall, 61 N. Cliff St.

Donations are always graciously accepted.





## LEGISLATIVE COFFEE UPDATE



Valley Diner 636 New Haven Ave. Derby, CT

Friday, August 20 | 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.



State Sen. Jorge Cabrera, D-Hamden, and state Representatives Kara Rochelle, D-Ansonia/ Derby, Nicole Klarides-Ditria and Mary Welander are holding an inperson Legislative **Coffee Update Friday** 



to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.

Malcolm X



## 9th Annual Back to School Rally

BOOKBAGS W/SUPPLIES
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
LIVE MUSIC
FOOD
BOUNCEHOUSE

AUGUST 22ND, 2021 @ 1PM - 5PM GATISON PARK 4TH STREET, ANSONIA, CT







