



Bridge - The Game That Gives Back

Operation Food Search Receives ACBL Charity Foundation NABC \$5000 Donation

The ACBL Charity Foundation made a \$5000 donation to Operation Food Search, a local organization addressing food insecurity.

The 45-year-old organization started as a food bank and now offers multiple programs in 25 counties in two states, said Carlton Adams, the group's chief operating officer.

"We're very grateful for the donation," Adams said. "It will help us serve more families experiencing food insecurity."

The check was presented on Friday, the same day the committee selected to honor Pat Penelton, a local bridge player whose church food pantry was one of 170 affiliated with Operation Food Search. Penelton was working preparing meals at the church last year when the building was struck by a tornado, killing her.

"Pat ran a food pantry," Adams said. "She was beloved."

Tournament chair Michael Sherberg said the organization was a unanimous choice for the host committee's charity grant. The foundation makes a contribution at each NABC. Two other members of the committee involved in the selection were present.

"Pat worked hard feeding hungry people," Sherberg said. "We wanted to honor her memory by contributing to something she cared about."

"We started out wanting to do a food bank," said Ken Eiger, volunteers chair.

"I said, 'This is a good one,'" said Jennifer Luner, prizes chair.

For more information on the organization, see operationfoodsearch.org.



The ACBL Charity Foundation and local NABC Committee present a \$5000 check to Operation Food Search. From left: Michael Sherberg, tournament chair; Carlton Adams, chief operating officer of Operation Food Search; Rebecca Brown, ACBL Charity Foundation trustee