

## **Volunteering Committee**

Dale Burke, Co-Chair

The Volunteering Committee takes great pride in sharing the successes of our association members with regards to their volunteering contributions. The culmination of that recognition occurred with the recent selection of our volunteer of the year award, presented to Millard Susman at the annual meeting.

The committee, with input from association members, last year chose four local food pantries to be the recipients of cash donations at our luncheons, financial matters seminars, electronic technology, and retirement challenges programs on a rotating basis. These were so well supported that we decided to continue this rotation with the same pantries for the upcoming year as well. The four pantries are Grace Episcopal, Bethel Lutheran, Mt. Zion Baptist and St. Vincent de Paul. We encourage members who can to partner with these pantries and share the rewards of their service with others either personally or via *The Sifter*.

The committee also oversaw the presentation of a \$1000 matching grant to Midvale School. Midvale has been a fairly consistent recipient of the grant because several of our association members continue to volunteer there on a regular basis. This matching grant is made possible because members have made contributions to either a specific school or the Madison Schools Foundation totaling a minimum of \$1000.

Association members also contributed their support once again to the wildly popular Wisconsin Science Festival, which continues to grow year after year.

We continue to look for volunteer opportunities for our members while being mindful that most if not all are already engaged in some type of volunteer activity whether at home, church, social club or school.