

Carol Berg-Kappel
Nominated by Charlie Wendlandt

Carol Berg-Kappel has been a wonderful supporter of Marshfield and the surrounding area for many years. Working for Real Pizza from 1978 to 2008 as general manager, co-owner, then sole owner, she fed and entertained the people of this town. In this capacity in 1990, Carol was voted Small Business Person of the Year by the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce (MACCI). She also served as a Red Coat Ambassador for MACCI from 1990-1997.



Carol has also been a guiding force for the 4-H Dress A Cow contest at the Central Wisconsin State Fair since the contest's inception in 1988, not only as a sponsor but also creating themes and designing the commemorative T-shirt design every year since 1990.

While operating Real Pizza, Carol organized the annual Pizza Bash by pairing with Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 549 to raise funds for their projects and members. After closing Real Pizza, Carol has used her secret pizza recipe to help raise funds for a variety of causes through large scale take and bake pizza sales. Among the groups and projects that have been helped by these generous events have been the Frederic Ozanam Transitional Shelter, the American Legion Post 54 Veterans Mural Project, the Marshfield Clinic "Women Living With Hope" program, the national Honor Flight, and the Marshfield Police Department K-9 program. The success of these programs are attributed by Carol to the "Power of Pizza" but certainly would not have happened without the driving force of a determined individual with a heart for the community.

Never one to stop giving of her talents to the community, Carol has performed as a clown for city events, hosted fundraisers and educational sessions for local youth hockey organizations. She even provided the calligraphy and artwork for a 2001 poetry collection written by her sister and former Real Pizza co-owner, Gloria Federwitz.

Whether through the power of pizza or through many other charitable works, this mother, business owner, and creative mind has served and continues to serve as a pillar of the Marshfield community.