

Grace Center Inc.'s mission is: providing nutritious food and promoting social interaction with commitment and grace to our rural community.

The Grace Gazette

DECEMBER 2012 - JANUARY 2013



Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

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OUR PANTRY HOURS

NEW Pantry Hours starting Jan. 3:
Thursdays
3:00pm-7:00pm

See back for December hours. (Located on the corner of Popcorn Rd and Harrodsburg Rd)

Serving Clear Creek, Indian Creek, and Polk Townships

WISH LIST GOAL:

Canned Peaches, Canned Corn, Rice, Beans (dry or canned), Soups of any kind, Brown Sugar, Baking Soda

CAN YOU HELP?

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

Grace Center is \$3197 away from Kroger writing us another check. Keep re-loading those cards. Use your card to buy groceries and gas! What a great way to help



Grace Center without spending any extra money!

Community Dinner? Who can come to the

EVERYONE!

How Grace Center helped the Community in November

- 409 Adults served
- 164 Children helped
- 194 Families helped
- 491 Bags of Food given
- 5 New Families Helped

Board Members:

Steve Fichtner, President
Debbie Woodward, Vice President
Tina Baugh, Treasurer
Jim Baugh, Incorporator/Member at Large
Clarissa Hawk, Terry Brammer, and Terry Doane, Members at Large

NEW PANTRY HOURS

The Grace Center Board has decided to combine the Tuesday pantry hours into the Thursday hours. We hope this will reduce our trips to HHFB and other retailers. Starting Thursday January 3rd, we will only be open Thursdays from 3pm to 7pm.



DONATIONS

Over the years Grace Center has asked for year end donations from our many supporters. This year we want to target these donations for Shelf Stable Foods such as canned meats and shelf stable milk (also known as UHT milk).

There are five categories of nutritious food; fruits, vegetables, grains, proteins, and dairy. Generally, we can keep an adequate supply of fruits, vegetables and grains through purchases from the Hoosier Hills Food Bank (HHFB) but proteins and dairy have been more challenging. There are many times through the year when the pantry just does not have any meat (protein) or milk (dairy) to give, usually because HHFB doesn't have any. Fresh or frozen meat and fresh milk take either freezers or refrigerators for storage and the space we have is very limited.

Canned meats and shelf stable milk are items we can store on the shelf without the need to freeze or refrigerate. When short on the fresh items, the shelf stable food will be given to the pantry patrons. Please consider a donation today. Grace Center, Inc is a 501(c) (3) charitable organization and you may be able to take a federal income tax deduction for your donation.

SPECIAL THANKS

- Harrodsburg Assembly of God for donating monetarily each month.
- New Life Church for donating 99 lbs. of canned goods and 109 lbs. of sugar, corn muffin mix and eggs.
- Barb Stainbrook for donating her time every Tuesday morning and for donating 32 cans of soup.
- Harrodsburg United Methodist Church for donating 132 lbs. of food and special thanks to their youth group for donating 3 dozen fresh eggs.
- Darrell Anderson for donating 100 lbs. of potatoes, 77 lbs. of milk and 18 lbs. of toilet tissue.
- The Indian Creek Community Association for donating 37 lbs. of food.
- Southern Hills Church of Christ for donating 76 lbs. of canned meats, toilet tissue and apples and 69 lbs. of condiments.
- Barbara Richardson for donating 6 lbs. of dry milk.
- Melissa Weaver for donating 15.5 lbs. of diapers.
- Richard Sarchet for donating a hand truck to be used in the pantry.
- IU Office of the Treasurer for donating 60 lbs. of stuffing and canned food.
- Ray Shock for donating his time to help get heat in the building and donating 114 lbs. of deer meat.

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INDIANA WINTER DRIVING SAFETY

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has some winter driving tips for you.

Knowledge: Before leaving home, find out about the driving conditions. If the weather is bad remember, Ice and Snow, Take it Slow, or just don't go.

First Snow or Ice: Drivers often are not prepared for winter driving and forget to take it slow. Remember to drive well below the posted speed limit and leave plenty of room between cars.

Four-Wheel Drive: On snow and ice, go slowly, no matter what type of vehicle you drive. Even if you have an SUV with four-wheel drive you may not be able to stop any faster, or maintain control any better, once you lose traction. Four-wheel drive may get you going faster, but it won't help you stop sooner.

Distance: Give snowplows room to work. The plows are wide and can cross the centerline or shoulder. Don't tailgate and try not to pass. If you must pass, take extreme caution and beware of the snow cloud.

INDOT wants you and your family to stay safe on the roads this winter. And don't forget: Ice and Snow, Take it Slow! See more tips and advice at <http://www.in.gov/indot/2439.htm>.



HEAT AT LAST

It's been rather cool in the pantry the last couple of months. The martial arts studio located in the front of the building necessitated building some walls that now totally block the heat to the pantry. But with some prayer and patience two individuals came through for us. Ray Shock and Terry Brammer. Through Ray's HVAC experience and used furnace donation and Terry's electrical skills, the pantry now has some real heat. The wait was worth it, the patrons and volunteers will be happy, and nothing will freeze. If you see these two guys out and about, be sure to say "Thank you." Ray and Terry, from all of us here at Grace Center, you have been true angels.

Community Center Activity Calendar

www.gracecenterindiana.org		DECEMBER-JANUARY				email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17 Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Call Patty, 824-2611	18 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Grace Center Board Meeting Grace Center Pantry Building 6:00pm	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!!	26	27	28	29	
30	31	JANUARY 1 NOTICE NEW PANTRY HOURS STARTING JANUARY	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21 Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Call Patty, 824-2611	22	23 Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm Call Lloyd at 824-9771 for location	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	31			

.....SPECIAL THANKS CONTINUED

- Don Cross for donating 24 lbs. of chicken.
- Sally Livingston for donating 20 lbs. of sugar.
- All Grace Center volunteers for donating their time.
- Tom and Debbie Woodward for donating an enormous amount of time in 2012.
- Thank you to all who helped feed your neighbors in this community in 2012, may God bless you!

Happy 2013

How Grace Center has helped in 2012

	Adults Served	Children Served	Households Served	Bags of Groceries Given
Jan	409	144	216	471
Feb	374	142	198	466
Mar	422	152	212	498
Apr	367	146	190	458
May	413	139	212	492
June	383	142	192	444
July	387	155	191	468
Aug	360	123	189	416
Sept	348	124	173	433
Oct	362	97	172	417
Nov	409	164	194	491
Totals	4234	1528	2139	5054

A hug is a great gift - one size fits all, and it's easy to exchange. ~Author Unknown

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