

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

The Grace Gazette



FEBRUARY 2010

Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

812-824-5595

PANTRY HOURS

Pantry Hours:
Tuesdays
10:00 am-12:00 pm
 (Located in back of Community Hardware)
Serving Clear Creek, Indian Creek, and Polk Townships

WISH LIST GOAL:
 To collect at least 36 bottles of laundry detergent to give to our pantry households. We have collected 14, we need at least 22 more!
CAN YOU HELP?

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

Grace Center is \$2395 away from Kroger writing us another check. Cards available at Grace Center. Use your card to buy groceries and gas! What a great way to help Grace Center without spending any extra money!



How Grace Center helped the Community in DECEMBER

- 256 Adults served
- 111 Children helped
- 139 Families helped
- 626 Bags of Food given
- 7 New Families Helped

Who can come to the Community Dinners?

EVERYONE

Volunteer, Donate, Organize a Food Drive

Board Members:
 Tina Baugh, President
 Margaret Simmerman,

PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT PEOPLE



When Perry-Clear Creek Volunteer Fire Department had their annual boot drive Saturday, November 21 many people who care about people responded. People took action by dropping cash in the fireman's boots at the intersection of Rhorer Road and South Walnut Street. Some folks were contacted over the phone and reacted by sending donations. Others were notified by mail

and replied by sending checks. After firefighters spent precious time standing at the intersection, making calls and sending out mailings, a total of \$2028.00 was collected for Grace Center Food Pantry. In 2009 the 100% volunteer organization helped feed over 3000 people.

That's a tall order to duplicate in 2010. But with the help of those like the Perry-Clear Creek Volunteer Firefighters and people like you, it can be done. When the firefighters were thanked for being 'people who care about people' they responded by saying 'that's what we do'.



YOU CAN HELP PEOPLE SEE CLEARLY

Last year the Harrodsburg Lions Club teamed up with Community Hardware, Inc. for eyeglass recycling. How can you help? Simply bring used prescription and non-prescription glasses to Community Hardware, Inc. and place them in the collection box on the front counter. Both plastic and metal frames are accepted. The Harrodsburg Lions Club periodically collects the used eyeglasses for donation to a Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. Donated eyeglasses can help millions to experience corrected vision for the first time, enabling them to read, attend school, gain employment and take care of their families.

DINNER FOR 5 FOR \$5

- 1 pound ground beef or turkey-.99 cents (pick up when on sale)
- 1 large can of pasta sauce-.99 cents (many times the cans of pasta sauce are less expensive than the glass jars for the same quantity)
- 1 loaf of Italian bread-.99 cents
- 2 packages of pasta-\$1.60
- 1 package of margarine-.39 cents

Brown ground beef, drain off excess grease and put meat back into pan. Add pasta sauce to the meat and place over medium heat. In another pot, cook pasta according to package directions. Place drained pasta back into pot and stir in 3 tablespoons of margarine. Prepare bread by slicing into thick pieces and spreading margarine on top of each slice. Place bread in a 350 degree oven and heat for 5 to 10 minutes or until desired crispness is achieved. Place pasta onto a serving platter and spoon meat sauce on top. Serve with slices of Italian bread.

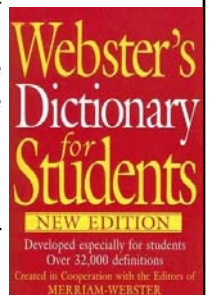
"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around." Leo F. Buscaglia

Senior Sweetheart Dinner
February 12

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THE GIFT OF DICTIONARIES IS A GIFT OF WORDS

On November 20th, the Harrodsburg Lions Club presented 69 third graders at Lakeview Elementary with their very own Webster's Dictionary. This is the second year the club has given the Lakeview 3rd graders dictionaries. Thank you Harrodsburg Lions Club! Thanks also to Principal Richardson and teacher Ms. Roberts for their coordination and warm hospitality.



Community Center Activity Calendar

www.gracecenterindiana.org		FEBRUARY		email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Grace Center Board Meeting CANCELED	3	4 Harrodsburg Lions Club 6:30pm	5	6
7	8	9 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30-2:30	10	11	12 Senior Sweet- heart Dinner 5:00	13
14 	15 Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Contact Patty, 824-2611	16 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm WIC Nutrition Services and Monroe Co. Health Dept. Quit Smoking resources 10-noon (inside Community Hardware)	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30-2:30pm Community Dinner 5:30-7pm	24 Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm Contact Lloyd at 824-9771 for location	25	26	27
28	Remember, all events are held at the Community Center unless otherwise noted.					



SENIOR SWEETHEART DINNER

The annual Senior Sweetheart Dinner will be February 12. Serving begins at 5 PM. Entertainment will be a tribute to Andy Griffith, "Goober and the Art of Love." This is a free dinner and show for past and present Harrodsburg residents age 50 or older and affiliated with Harrodsburg. Please make your reservation by calling Marnise at 824-9390 or Sandy at 824-4269. Sponsored by the Harrodsburg Heritage Association.

How Grace Center has helped in 2009

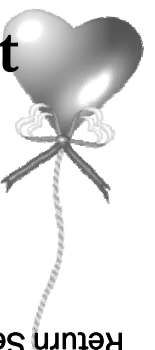
	Individuals Served	Children Served	House-holds Served	Bags of Groceries Given	New Families
Jan	230	98	71	253	2
Feb	204	78	77	289	3
Mar	284	106	107	374	1
Apr	231	93	83	349	4
May	245	89	89	358	6
Jun	367	116	134	524	9
July	414	161	140	588	9
Aug	296	92	110	478	4
Sept	377	131	137	564	7
Oct	285	92	108	444	3
Nov	323	92	122	588	4
Dec	356	111	139	626	7
TOTALS	3612	1259	1317	5435	59

In 2008 Grace Center provided 939 families food. In 2009, 1317 families were helped. That is a 40% increase. In 2008, 2732 people were given food, in 2009 we increased that number to 3612. In 2009, 5435 bags of groceries were given!!! This is what Grace Center is all about, SERVING PEOPLE!!

GRACE CENTER SENDS SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- ♥ Riley and Linda Chaney for delivering donated bread.
- ♥ Jim and Barb Stainbrook for donating groceries every week in 2009.
- ♥ Aldi Grocery for the generous bread donations.
- ♥ Holt's Market for donating a case of eggs.
- ♥ New Life Church for 53 pounds of food donations.
- ♥ The Butchers' Block for their cheese and meat donations.
- ♥ Monroe County School Food Service for 3 cases of chocolate milk.
- ♥ Harrodsburg Methodist Church for the very regular donations.
- ♥ Laura Stull for donating eggs.
- ♥ Diana Cramer, Lloyd Swango, Martha and Ralph Calabrese, Tim Stull, Georgia Lowery, Mary Ziegler and Becky Snedegar for all their grocery contributions.
- ♥ Harrodsburg Assembly of God for giving cheerfully.
- ♥ Walkers Chapel for giving freely.
- ♥ We also send special thanks to all the folks who donated

Giving a hand also gives of your heart



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