

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

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Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

812-824-5595

NEW PANTRY HOURS

Pantry Hours:
Tuesdays
10:00 am-12:00 pm
Thursdays
5:00pm-7:00pm
 (Located in back of Community Hardware)
Serving Clear Creek, Indian Creek, and Polk Townships

WISH LIST GOAL:

Canned Pineapple
 Canned Mandarin
 Oranges, Canned Carrots, Chicken, Beef or Vegetable Broth, Crackers!

CAN YOU HELP?

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

Grace Center is **\$469.01** away from Kroger writing us another check. **Keep reloading those cards.** Use your card to buy **groceries and gas!** What a fantastic way to help Grace Center without spending any extra money!



How Grace Center helped the Community in January

- 204** Adults served
- 117** Children helped
- 116** Families helped
- 222** Bags of Food given
- 6** New Families Helped

Who can come to the Community Dinners?

EVERYONE

Board Members:

Tina Baugh, President
 Debbie Woodward, Vice President
 Steve Fichtner, Treasurer
 Linda Brammer, Secretary
 Jim Baugh, Incorporator/Member at Large
 Clarissa Hawk, Mem. at Large

YOUTH GROUP IN ACTION



Walkers Chapel Youth Group hosted their 4th annual Valentines Day Dinner in February. This year's dinner was different in a few very special ways. The dinner was open not only to Walker's Chapel members and families, but to area neighbors and friends. Each person was asked to bring a non-perishable item to be donated to Grace Center. The dinner was a wonderful success with 57 people in attendance and 177 lbs. of food gathered! The youth group received tips during the dinner that they in turn donated to



Grace Center. The tips totaled \$170.00! Thank you Walker's Chapel Youth Group for a wonderful example of giving from the heart!



JELLO COOKIES

Cream Together:
 • ¾ cup shortening (part butter or margarine can be used)
 • ½ cup sugar
 • 3oz box jello
 • 2 eggs
 • 1 tsp. vanilla

Add the following ingredients:
 • Add 2 ½ cups flour
 • 1 tsp. baking powder
 • 1 tsp. salt

Blend together well. Form into balls, roll in a little sugar and flatten with the bottom of a glass. Bake 6-8 minutes in a 400 degree oven.



How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because someday in your life you will have been all of these.

~George Washington Carver



CHANGING THE WORLD

Do you want to be a part of something big? Do you ever have thoughts of promoting global peace, ending poverty and hunger, or saving the orphaned children of the world? Maybe joining a small group, willing to "do good", is the place to start! South Union Christian Church set out to make a difference. Their small groups got together and assembled Christmas baskets and donated them to Grace Center Food Pantry. Containing most all food items needed to have a wonderful Christmas meal, the baskets were laundry baskets that could be used later by the family. Also included were gift cards to purchase a turkey for the Christmas meal. Each gift basket weighed around 30 lbs. and was given to families of Grace Center, Inc. Did this selfless giving end poverty or hunger in Monroe County? No, but it did promote peace, and helped to feed families in need. It may seem like a small deed to some, but to the ten families it was not. Many thanks go to all who were part of the small groups at South Union. It was a big thing that was very much appreciated!



Margaret Mead said it best: "Never underestimate the power of a few committed people to change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

FRUGAL LIVING

- For a snack, save the juice from canned fruit. Add a little water and make your own popsicles. The kids love it, its healthier than regular popsicles and you're not throwing the juice down the drain.
- Save big bucks every year by making your own dryer sheets. Pour liquid fabric softener into a clean spray bottle, and spray 4-6 times onto a designated rag. Put the sprayed rag into your dryer with clothes and tumble as usual. Wash the rag every once in a while to remove build-up. A small refill carton of concentrated softener lasts over a year.
- Save the spoonfuls of leftover vegetables in a plastic tub in your freezer. When it is full, its time to make a delicious pot of soup!

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Community Center Activity Calendar

www.gracecenterindiana.org

MARCH

email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7	1	2	3	4	5
		Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm NO Grace Center Board Meeting this month		Harrodsburg Lions Club 6:30pm Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm		
		8	9	10	11	12
		Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30-2:30		Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm		Time Change Tonight, Set clocks forward 1 hour
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm		Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Contact Patty, 824-2611	Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm	Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm Contact Lloyd at 824-9771 for location	Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm		Smithville Area Assoc. Chili & Soup Supper 6pm
27	28	29	30	31		Details Below 
		Food Pantry 10am-12noon Euchre 12:30-2:30pm Community Dinner 5:30-7:00pm		Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm Valley Mission Church of the Nazarene Free Lunch Noon-1pm		

.....Frugal Living Continued

- Freeze mushrooms found in the Springtime for year round enjoyment. Take fresh mushrooms, slice in half and soak in salt water overnight. Rinse mushrooms after soaking and roll in flour, lay on cookie sheet, cover and put in freezer. To cook, remove from freezer (Do not let mushrooms thaw before frying or they will become mushy) and fry in oil as usual.
- Polish and protect your furniture by creating your own polish. Mix 1 teaspoon of olive oil and ½ cup of lemon juice. Put mixture in a spray bottle, spray and wipe with a dry cloth.

COMMUNITY COMPUTER



Need access to a computer? Harrodsburg United Methodist Church donated a computer to Grace Center, Inc for the public to use. The computer is set up in the back room of Community Hardware and is available for use during business hours. Community Hardware is open Monday-Friday 8am to 6pm and Saturday 8am to 5pm. The computer has internet access and is hooked up to a printer. If you have any questions please call Grace Center, Inc. at 824-5595. Anyone under the age of 18 will be required to have a parents signature on file.

Smithville Area Association will be having a Chili and Soup Supper, March 26th at 6:00pm in Redman Hall. Everyone is Welcome! The meal will be provided. We would love for you to please bring dessert. See you there!



GRACE CENTER SENDS SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- ☼ Riley Chaney for bringing bread and bakery items donated by Kroger each and every week.
- ☼ Rick Petermichel for responding to the need and purchasing 80 boxes of cornbread mix.
- ☼ Douglas and Loraine Fowler for donating 64 lbs. of meat items.
- ☼ Joann Martin for donating 5 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Valley Mission Church for donating 112 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Gloria Reed for giving 23 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Darrell Anderson for continued giving, 30 lbs. of food this month.
- ☼ Southern Hills Church of Christ for donating 95 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Dennis and Marnise Miller for giving 20 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Harrodsburg United Methodist Church for donating 240 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Tom and Debbie Woodward for donating 12 lbs. of cornbread mix.
- ☼ Bob and Linda Pitman for giving 13 lbs. of food.
- ☼ Ralph and Martha Calabrese for donating 5 lbs. of meat.
- ☼ Hayley Thrasher for donating 5 lbs. of mustard.
- ☼ All those who gave monetarily.
- ☼ Anyone who prayed for Grace Center's patrons, volunteers, board members and donors.
- ☼ All our volunteers: Eula Price, Clarissa Hawk, Sue Hearth, Debbie and Ashley Woodward, Becky Turner, Diane and Hayley Thrasher, Dan Weiss, Amy Myers, Linda Jeffers, Julie Meyer, Joel and Sheila Hearth, Steve and Sherry Fichtner, Linda Brammer and Peter Wegener.

Thank you to all those who donate food and money to Grace Center. Love is felt by those who give, by those who process the gift and by those who receive the gift.



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