

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

The Grace Gazette

AUGUST 2009



Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

812-824-5595

NEW HOURS

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

WISHES

Fans to cool the Food Pantry

Commercial Steel Shelving for Grace Food Pantry

Canned milk, catsup, egg noodles

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

Grace Center is \$2880 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 we helped our Community in JUNE

- 367 Individuals served
- 116 of those, Children
- 134 Families helped
- 524 Bags of Food given
- 9 New Families Helped

Who can come to the Community Dinner?

EVERYONE

Board Members:

Tina Baugh, President
 Margaret Simmerman, V. Pres
 Jim Baugh
 Susie Johnson, Secretary
 Jeff Calabrese
 Georgia Schaich
 Steve Fichtner, Treasurer

WHAT IS A FOOD PANTRY, WHO CAN USE IT

WHAT IS A FOOD PANTRY?

Food pantries help people connect with food at no cost. Some of them serve anyone in need of food, while others serve households with special needs. Donations of money and food, grants, and volunteers are needed to operate. Food pantries often partner with other agencies, churches, and schools for support and service.

Grace Food Pantry, is a not for profit organization, that collects, stores and distributes nutritious food to those in need in the Harrodsburg area.

If you need help getting food and meet one of the following guidelines, you may qualify to receive items from Grace Food Pantry:

1. You are unable to meet your basic expenses (rent, water gas, electricity).
2. You qualify for state or federal aid (food stamps, AFDC, WIC).
3. There is a pregnant or nursing mother in your household.
4. You have an acute or chronic illness, disability, or have been in an accident that makes it difficult to work.
5. You are a single parent who does not receive child support.

6. You are a grandparent raising your grandchildren.

7. You are homeless.

8. You are 55 or older.

9. You lost your job this month or have had your hours cut.

10. You meet the federal income guide levels.

If you meet the qualifications, please bring a current ID with your address and we will take your application.

Can I have a job, and still use Grace Food Pantry?

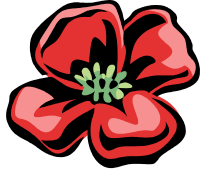
Yes, if your job does not pay enough to provide basic living expenses, you may qualify.

How often can one use Grace Food Pantry?

If you need food, you can use the food pantry every week. Some folks use the food pantry only once in awhile. Other people may need more often. Grace Food Pantry is here for people who need help getting food.

Why do people need a current ID to use Grace Food Pantry?

Grace Center Inc. operates our pantry for the southern three townships in Monroe County. We ask new applicants to show that they live in these townships.



Pantry shelves before opening



Pantry shelves after families get their groceries and supplies

Service Project Idea to fit a need of Grace Center

The food pantry needs laundry soap. Would your group consider holding a Laundry Soap Drive? We would like to offer laundry soap at least once a month for our families in need. Call the Grace Center office at 824-5595 if your group is willing to hold a **Laundry Soap Drive**

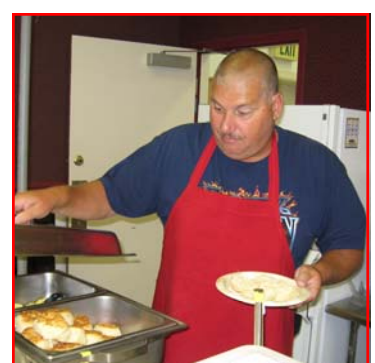
BOOGIE BREAKFAST NEWS

July 17th and 18th was the 4th annual Boogie Breakfast. People of the community joined together and offered a great breakfast of sausage gravy, biscuits, eggs, coffee, orange juice and pie to raise money for Grace Center food pantry. Special thanks to: the Harrodsburg Lions Club for co-hosting this event, all the volunteers for cooking, preparing and serving our guests. The Butcher's Block for their contribution. Heritage Days for donating pies as a special treat.



Thanks to all those of the community and other communities who came to have a great meal! The following is the financial outcome for Grace Center:

Donations	\$744.12
Expenses	
Food/Supplies	\$168.15
Comm. Bldg Rent	\$120.00
Signs	\$ 38.00
Proceeds	\$417.97



Community Center Activity Calendar

www.gracecenterindiana.org		AUGUST			email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	Art Classes have been canceled until further notice					1	
2	3	4 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Grace Center Board Meeting 7:00pm	5	6 Harrodsburg Lions Club 6:30pm	7	8	
9	10	11 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30-2:30	12	13	14	15	
16	17 Ladies Craft Night at the Smithville Community Center 6:30 <small>more info below</small>	18 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm WIC and Smoking Cession, Health Dept. 10-noon* <small>(inside Community Hardware)</small>	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30-2:30pm Community Dinner, 5:30-7pm	26 Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm <small>Contact Lloyd at 824-0071 for location</small>	27	28	29	
30	31	1 SEPTEMBER	2	3	4	5	6

THE POPCORN ROAD RIDE
Touring Bicycle Event, Saturday, September 5, 2009, starting at 9 am. Start and Finish will be at the **Harrodsburg Community Center**. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Grace Center Food Pantry. More information can be found at www.energy2action.com

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT
Ladies Craft Night meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm, at the Smithville Community Center (the old school). Open to women of all ages. The craft is different each month and we try to keep the cost of materials at \$5.00 or below. If interested in coming, or have questions, please contact Patty Robertson at 824-2611.

SMITHVILLE LABOR DAY CELEBRATION
Smithville's annual Labor Day Celebration/Fundraiser is on Monday, September 7th from 10 am to 4 pm. Come to see an antique car and truck show in the Community Park, enjoy food in the shelter house from 11 am to 2 pm and kick back and listen to music on the outdoor stage.

SMOKE DETECTOR TIPS

1. Test smoke detectors once a month. Nearly all smoke detectors have a test button, simply push the test button and the alarm will sound.
2. It is recommended to change your battery at least twice a year.
3. Clean smoke detectors at least once a year. Dust and other particles in the air can build up over time and decrease the sensitivity of a smoke detector. Using a vacuum hose is the best way.
4. Replace the entire smoke detector at least once every ten years.
5. Hard-wired smoke detectors should be tested, cleaned, and replaced.
6. Every bedroom should have a smoke detector. It is also recommended to put one in living rooms, kitchens, and hallways.

Perry Clear Creek Fire Department

GRACE CENTER GIVES SPECIAL THANKS TO...

- A great big fresh produce thank you to Don Treanor for donating 18 lbs. of cucumbers, 31 lbs. of potatoes, 32 lbs. of cabbage, 57 lbs. of zucchini and 88 lbs. of corn!!!!
- Thank you to Ralph and Martha Calabrese for continued generous food donations!
- Thank you to Harrodsburg United Methodist Church for 65 lbs. of food from their food drive and for continued interest in feeding the hungry!
- The kind folks at the June Community Dinner for contributing \$215.00.
- Walkers Chapel for their cash donation.
- Jerry and Elizabeth McGlothlin for their financial contribution.
- Don and Charlene Allen's cash donation.
- A big THANK YOU to Midwest Color Printing (MCP) for partnering with Grace Center, INC. to publish the Grace Gazette!!

How Grace Center has helped in 2009

	Individuals Served	Children Served	Households 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
TOTALS	1561	580	561	2147	25

ADDRESS LABEL

Return Service Requested
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