FALL 2013 NEWSLETTER

# FOUNDATION DINERS

#### **Foundation Dinners**

- 1. Serve the suffering according to the Gospel of Christ.
- 2. Provide opportunity for the community to serve the suffering.

  Our Mission!

#### **Partner Calendar**

Volunteer Teams of 6-8 should arrive before 3:30 and plan to stay until 6pm.

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#### **Donations**

Tax-deductable donations can be made to the:

Foundation Dinners 1000 W. Fifth Ave. Lancaster, OH 43130

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### **Foundation Needs**

Serving the needy of Fairfield County

A list of our needs is on our website hungryhomeless.org Food donations accepted 8:00 am to 5:30 pm every day.

#### Thank You!



## Introducing Gary Corner

## Counselor at The FOUNDATION Dinners

I have worked with people my entire career and have taught Bible classes for more than 30 years. During this time, I've had the opportunity to help many people in many different situations. Even so, I was not prepared for the good fortune to serve the great need of the homeless community of Lancaster.

Since joining the team at

The Foundation Dinners in January, we have enrolled over 200 "new" clients. A new client is someone who has never been to the Foundation or someone who may taken meals intermittently for several years and has recently returned.

There are as many different reasons for being homeless as there are clients. Some of the common themes are: inter-personal problems, a history of drug and alcohol abuse, a felony record or a loss of employment. Most problems are multi-dimensional, but often the underlying root cause is spiritual.

Because we are entirely supported by contributions from individuals like you, churches, foundations and businesses we are accountable to these entities to be good stewards of their funds. In order to do this, we collect data from each client who joins us for a meal. The interview process allows me to get a quick understanding of each individual's unique problems while assessing their sincerity and determining their real need.

Next I connect our clients with appropriate partners to help them find medical care, legal assistance, clothing, housing, and of course, 3 meals a day. For those who are not disabled and desire to work, I help them with targeted job searches.

A number of our former clients are now employed and have their own housing. One of our recent successes is a family of four who recently began taking meals at The Foundation. After only 2 weeks, Mom & Dad and their two adult children are all working and the family is in the process of securing their own housing. These successes are the rewards of serving the homeless.

I encourage you to join with me in reaching out and enjoying the rewards of assisting the homeless with your contribution of time or funds.

## FALL 2013

## Partner Team Calendar



Teams of 6-8 people should arrive 2:30-3:30pm and plan to stay until 6pm.

## september

	sunday monda		onday tuesday		wednesday		thursday		friday			saturday	
1	Fairfield Christian Church	2	Lithopolis UMC	3	Lancaster First Baptist	4	Faith Memorial Church	5	Fifth Ave. Church of Christ	6	Maple Street UMC	7	Hutsler Family
8	Millersport UMC	9	Area Catholics	10	Home Schoolers	11	Hopewell UMC	12	Fairfield Union High School	13	Faith Lutheran Church	14	Area Catholics
15	Community Church	16	Fairfield National Bank	<b>17</b> U.	St. Michael's Church of Christ	18	Teays Valley Teens	19 & I	Sixth Ave UMC FCA High School	20	Fairfield Medical Center	21	Peace Lutheran
22	Zion UMC		fill's Memorial	24	Lancaster 1st UMC	25	Fairfield Christian Youth	26	St. Paul's Lutheran	27	Pine Grove UMC	28	Rockbridge Advent Christian
29	Lancaster 1st Presbyterian	30	Gloryland Nazarene										

## october

	sunday		monday		tuesday		wednesday		thursday		friday		saturday	
				1	Pleasant Chapel	2	Faith Memorial Church	3	Thomas Ewing Middle School	4	River of Life	5	Hutsler Family	
6	Area Catholics	7	Lancaster First Baptist	8	New Connection	9	Fairfield Christian North	10	Bible Holiness Church	11	Shalom UMC	12	All God's Children	
13	New Life Canal Winchester	14	Emanuel Lutheran	15	Cedar Hill UMC	16	Lancaster Vineyard	17	Rockbridge Advent Christian	18	Boy Scouts	19	Thurston UMC	
20	Word of Promise	21	Anchor Hocking	22	Lancaster 1st UMC	23	The Well	24	Redeemer Lutheran	25	Pine Grove UMC	26	Fairfield Community	
27	Grace Small Group	<b>28</b>	Mill's Memorial JMC & One Write	29	Lancaster 1st Presbyterian	30	Gloryland Nazarene	31	New Life Christian Center					

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## Volunteer Spotlight

The River Valley Life Center









On October 2, the volunteer team from The River (Raven Markwood, Jonah Geater and Hannah Eccard) served the crowd at dinner time.

## CROP Hunger Walk

## **Join Us to Help Alleviate Hunger**

This year Lancaster and some 2,000 cities and towns nationwide are joining together in interfaith community CROP Hunger Walks around the theme *Ending hunger one step at a time*. Many of the CROP Walkers will be wearing T-shirts, proclaiming their solidarity with the millions of neighbors around the world who have to walk to live -- as well as with the millions served by local food pantries, food banks, and meal sites here in the U.S.

Lancaster's CROP Hunger Walk will be Sunday, October 13th. According to local organizer, Tom Hammer, 25% of the funds raised will remain in the community. The Foundation Dinners has been chosen as the sole recipient of these funds. The other 75% will go to fight hunger around the world. For information

on how to involve your church or organization, please contact Tom Hammer at 740-687-6134 or thammer1@columbus.rr.com.



## Third Generation

## **Carries on The FOUNDATION Legacy**

Kaitlin Keeton comes from a family that embodies servanthood. She is the granddaughter of Ed (founder of The Foundation) and Carol Clum and the niece of the Dinners agency director, Gary Clum. Kaitlin serves as kitchen director two days a week, twice a month giving a much need break to Marty Arbuiso.



Kaitlin Keeton with grandma, Carol Clum



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# FOUNDATION

is dedicated to responding to the Gospel of Jesus Christ\*. He calls upon each follower to respond to the needs of the downcast with a merciful heart, supplying not only words, but also and most importantly, deeds. \*Matthew 25:31-46

Any church, individual, business, industry, school or court system that believes in expressing compassion to the victims of poverty and neglect, are invited to join in this effort to relieve human suffering.

The Foundation Dinners is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are tax deductible.





