

THE FOUNDATION Dinners

Serving the needy of Fairfield County

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

Volunteer Spotlight



Hobo Honey

Foundation Needs

A list of our needs is on our website hungryhomeless.org
Food donations
accepted 2:30-5:30 every day.

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Home Cooking from the Rockbridge Team

The team from Rockbridge Advent Christian Church is an inspiring group of volunteers. This team, lead by Judy Heightland, brings in homemade meals fixed especially for the guests at The Foundation Dinners. Judy has been given the nick name *Hobo Honey* for her hard work, love and compassion for the hungry and homeless in our community.

The Rockbridge team cooks and serves once a month. Judy does most of the cooking and it is evident by her countenance, that she loves cooking and serving people. Last month the team included Judy and her Husband Tom, their four children, Tomika, Quentin, Frank, and Anthony, "Scrubs" Casey and Linda Hacker.

The team handed out little slips of paper with menu options. Guests marked what they would like to "order", the slips were collected, plates were prepared accordingly and served to the guests. On March 24, the menu included: steak, chicken, beef stew, mashed potatoes, homemade noodles, corn, rice casserole, soup beans, corn bread and assorted pies and cake. . . . continued on page 3



Partner Team Calendar

SPRING 2012



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April

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 Area Catholics	2 Lancaster First Baptist	3 Kroger Stores	4 Faith Memorial Church	5 Drumm Family	6 River of Life	7 Hutsler Family
8 NewLife CC Canal Winchester	9 Emanuel Lutheran	10 New Connection	11 Fairfield Christian North	12 Bible Holiness Church	13 Shalom UMC	14 All God's Children
15 Word of Promise	16 Anchor Hocking	17 Cedar Hill UMC	18 Lancaster Vineyard	19 Rockbridge Advent Christian	20 Bremen Jerusalem	21 Thurston UMC
22 Grace Small Group	23 Mill's Memorial UMC	24 Lancaster 1st UMC	25 The Well	26 Redeemer Lutheran	27 Pine Grove UMC	28 Fairfield Community
29 Lancaster 1st Presbyterian	30 Gloryland Nazarene					

May

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
		1 Lancaster First Baptist	2 Faith Memorial Church	3 Fifth Ave. Church of Christ	4 Maple Street UMC	5 Hutsler Family
6 Fairfield Christian Church	7 Lithopolis UMC	8 Home Schoolers	9 Hopewell UMC	10 Fairfield Union High School	11 Faith Lutheran Church	12 Area Catholics
13 Millersport UMC	14 Area Catholics	15 St. Michael's U. Church of Christ	16 Teays Valley Teens	17 Sixth Ave UMC & FCA High School	18 Fairfield Medical Center	19 Peace Lutheran
20 Community Church	21 Fairfield National Bank	22 Lancaster 1st UMC	23 Fairfield Christian Youth	24 St. Paul's Lutheran	25 Pine Grove UMC	26 Rockbridge Advent Christian
27 Pleasant Chapel & Zion UMC	28 Mill's Memorial UMC	29 New Life Christian Center	30 Gloryland Nazarene	31 New Life Christian Center		

June

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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The Partner Calendar for upcoming months is available on our website www.hungryhomeless.org

Thank You!

Enter into the cascade of grace

This year for the Lenten season I read a book called *Barefoot Disciple* by Stephen Cherry. Each chapter challenged me in realizing my own pride as I attempt to walk with Jesus in the way of passionate humility.

As I read the final chapter I thought of how applicable it is to the work at The Foundation Dinners.

Christian ministry always involves mutuality. It never involves merely meeting the needs of others. It is two-way traffic. Ann Morisy is highly critical of what she calls the 'needs meeting' approach which often extends to community engagement and social welfare projects. A worthy aim can never be merely to impact on 'them'. It has to be about creating a new 'us'. 'The radical, missionary activity of the Church cannot, like liberal, secular social policy, aim at transformation of the poor . . . the aim must be the transformation of the secure, the well-meaning and well-endowed of the world. Her alternative to 'meeting needs' or 'doing good' is to enter into the cascade of grace that begins to flow when people seek not to provide for others, but to 'enter into a struggle for the well-being of others'. At this point she begins to open up a distinction between participating as a volunteer worker on a social project and entering into the same work as one who sees it as an expression of discipleship that always involves vulnerability and openness to learning. So within her vision of the engagement with the poor and vulnerable is a deepening of discipleship, not simple an expression of it.

True discipleship takes us to the limit of competency and capacity and well outside our comfort zone. Indeed, it is in such heart-breaking and soul-forming territory that discipleship flourishes into ministry because it is only here that we can be properly aware that ministry is always mutual. This is regularly the experience of those who have ministered, as Jesus commanded, to the sick, the dying, those in prison and the poor.

I have needed to slow down and consider these words carefully. They cannot be gobbled down like snack food, but must be slowly chewed as food for thought. As I come to The Foundation to serve it is easy to feel good about myself and even a bit smug. But as I consider the way of Jesus, I am once again humbled and know I have so much to learn on this path of discipleship. I know that He has much to teach me from those we 'serve' at the dinners.

~ Juli Barker, Grace Small Group Volunteer

So all of us who have had the veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

2 Corinthians 3:18

Home Cooking *continued*

The service may have been a little slower than most nights, but the guests waited patiently as they have come to expect a great home cooked meal when *Hobo Honey* is cooking.

The Foundation Dinners staff invites other volunteer teams to bring home cooked meals. We can also confidently say, "the guests would love it." Even if your menu might not be as extensive or as organized as *Hobo Honey's*, any home cooking would be welcomed.



Let us know if your team would like to *do some cooking*.

Even if you're not up to cooking, we are always in need of more volunteers. Please consider volunteering at lunch or dinner or as a counselor. Contact Gary Clum for more information about volunteer opportunities.

*left: Judy Heightland, a.k.a. Hobo Honey
far left: Linda Hacker (Judy's mother)*

Hundreds of volunteers serve at the dinners. Who will be featured in the next *Volunteer Spotlight*? If you would like to nominate a special volunteer or team, please contact Juli Barker at jbarker@martinbarkerdesign.com



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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.

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Young and old alike in vulnerable circumstances find help at The Foundation Dinners. Consider the humble circumstances to which Jesus came.

Thank You

