

The Quarterly Feed



The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House Newsletter

Spring/Summer 2015

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Pantry Hours for Summer

Monday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Tuesday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Wednesday 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Thursday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Sunday - CLOSED

Grocery Distribution

Saturdays 10:30 a.m.

Community Dinner

Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.



Angels & Athletes: Primed & Ready for a great event

For more than a decade, we've been blessed by having the support of many great athletes including Indianapolis Colts player, Joe Reitz (pictured above). Join us on July 23rd as we gather at Prime 47 in Downtown Indianapolis for an inspirational evening of spirit and sportsmanship, honoring a few of the athletes that have given back to our community. Look for details on our new website (annashousemsc.org) or on Facebook! ■



Director's Note

It's a Wonderful Life

Thoughts from Julie Molloy

So much to tell...so little space to say it in!

Things are progressing quickly here at Anna's House with the recent acquisition of property located at 223 Lynn St. I along with our Board of Directors and Building Committee have been working non-stop at raising funds, designing the new building, and meeting with potential in-kind donors and financial backers. All of this in preparing for the erection of a new, larger, better-equipped facility to be known as Anna's House Multiservice Center. The new building will house The Lord's Pantry (our grocery distribution area), a separate dining hall, industrial kitchen, music room, computer lab, and classrooms. I could not be more excited by the growth opportunities that lay ahead.

On April 17, 2015, we hosted our first fundraising event at the beautiful Lucas Estate. A fun night was had by all in attendance and along with raising funds to put toward our new building, much awareness about the need for growth was raised. We were also blessed with substantial in-kind donations at the event. We cannot say thank you enough to Blackbaud, Surebuilt Manufacturing, Tony & Sue Boor, Indiana Grand Racing & Casino, Thermocore Panel Systems, Greystone Concrete and Hoosier Park Racing & Casino for their generous support. Their trust and belief in our mission of helping those in need has been priceless.

We have started working on our next fundraiser, Angels and Athletes, to be held downtown Indianapolis at Prime 47. Look for upcoming details about this event on our facebook page, and through a separate mailing. This night will be a fun filled evening celebrating local athletes who have been not only a treasure to Anna's House but to the community at large.

I welcome any questions regarding our growth, construction, fundraisers, etc... Please feel free to contact me at any time. Thank you to everyone who continues to support Anna's House and the many families we serve. ■

"There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land." Deuteronomy 15:11

Angels & ATHLETES

A Benefit for The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House

7.23.15

Prime 47, Downtown Indianapolis
47 N. Pennsylvania Street
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Honorary Chair

SENATOR JIM MERRITT

Guest Emcee

JOE STAYSNIAK, THE FAN 107.5 FM



Join The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House and Prime 47 at the official launch party for the first edition of the brand new Angels & Athletes Cookbook...**Primed & Ready.**

This inspiring evening of spirit and sportsmanship will please your palate with favorite fare from some of Indy's most recognized sports figures as well as The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House and Prime 47 Executive Chef, Jake Burgess and his crew.

Together, we will honor a few outstanding athletes for their exceptional service to the Indianapolis community.

Photo Gallery

Check out more photos at The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House on Facebook and Shutterfly

Earlier this Spring, The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House hosted Never Say Never...An Evening in Monte Carlo at the beautiful Lucas Estate in Carmel. More than 200 individuals showed up to support

our first major fundraising event including many new faces and friends. Through their support, we were able to raise more than \$80,000 to help fund our new building campaign.

We'd like to offer a special thanks for all of the wonderful support from our sponsors including Surebuilt Mfg., Blackbaud, Tony & Sue Boor, Thermocore Panel Systems, Jobsite Supply, Hoosier Park Racing & Casino, Indiana Grand Casino, G.Thrapp Jewelers, Monarch Beverage, and DCG Indy.

We'd also like to give thanks to St. Jude Men's Club and our wonderful volunteers including our special guest hosts Kris Kirschner from WTHR 13 and Dave O'Brien from 97.1 Hank FM.

We are also thankful for the generous support received from central Indiana's business community as well as companies as far away as California who donated many great items for our silent and live auctions.

Be sure and save the date for next year's event, Never Say Never...An Evening in Paris to be held Friday, June 24, 2016.



Kids Corner



Camp Outreach Returns!!

Summer is fast approaching. School will let out, breakfast club will start and returning this year is Camp Outreach. From June 22 through June 26 our area children are invited to join us for our annual faith based kid's camp. Here they will hear Bible stories, craft, eat breakfast, sing songs and enjoy the company of other children. The camp is free to any child wishing to participate.

On Saturday June 27 the neighborhood will be invited to a cookout and a program put on by the children who participated in Camp Outreach.

Sign up for camp will begin June 8. Camp Outreach is sponsored by Common Ground Ministries. Not only will a wonderful group of adults come to the Stringtown neighborhood to provide Camp Outreach, they will also go into the neighborhood helping homeowners with much needed lawn work, home repairs, neighborhood beautification, and assisting Anna's House with any project needed.

Our children, neighbors and Anna's House have been blessed to partner with Common Ground Ministries for several years and look forward to our continued commitment to Stringtown and its residents.

Wish List

The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House is currently seeking the following items to support their ongoing programs. If you are able to donate these items, please drop them off at 303 N. Elder Avenue on Wednesdays between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m. (east entrance). For large deliveries or general inquiries, please call 317.631.5504.

Kitchen Items

- non latex, non powder gloves in all sizes for food distribution
- 1-quart zip-top bags (regular)
- 1-gallon zip-top bags
- 1-quart and 2-quart plastic containers with lids (new or used)
- divided styrofoam dinner plates
- 6-8 oz. plastic and/or styrofoam cups
- plastic wrap and aluminum foil (commercial size only available at Costco, Sam's Club or GFS)

Food Pantry Items *(single-serve portions)*

- peanut butter & jelly (grape & strawberry)
- dried beans in bags / white rice in bags
- canned meats / canned fruit
- pasta / spaghetti noodles & sauce in jars
- cake mix & frosting mix or prepared frosting
- crackers
- Ramen noodles

Kids Pack Items *(single-serve portions)*

- fruit or pudding cups & juice boxes
- cheese or peanut butter & crackers
- microwave kids meals
- individual cereals, oatmeal, pop tarts

Equipment Needs

- commercial grade vacuum
- commercial grade floor scrubber

Office Items *(new or gently used)*

- OfficeJet Ink (HP950, 951)
- copy paper

Facility Items *(in-kind donations)*

- construction materials and/or labor
- 14' or 16' box truck with lift gate

Interested in volunteering? Please visit AnnasHouseMSC.org or signupgenius.com.

Volunteer Spotlight



A woman with the heart of an angel, Betty has been a part this organization since the days of our being a street ministry. Serving the families from the sidewalk. Betty would arrive in the early hours of the morning each Saturday to hand out numbered tickets to the families as they arrived. Often she was here as early as 5am. I have had the pleasure of spending Saturday mornings with her for 17 years. Her smile, loving heart, compassion for others and gentle spirit has brought so much to Anna's House and our desire to serve all who enter our door with respect and dignity.

When we went to a registration system 6 years ago, it was no longer necessary for Betty to arrive so early to hand out numbered tickets. It was then that she began to oversee our sweet treat area of distribution on Saturdays. It was comforting knowing that she was connected with our seniors in such a special way that she knew if they were diabetic and needed sugar free sweets, she would hold those items back for just such senior citizens. Her thoughtfulness and insight as to the needs of those we serve brought so much to our mission of serving others.

On January 27, 2015, Betty left this earthly world to return to her heavenly home. Everyone whom she met with her smile will miss Betty. Our prayers go out to her family and friends. Until we meet again...we love you!!!!

Our Daily Prayer

Heavenly Father,
Let me be your eyes by
seeing the need, let me be
your hands by fulfilling that
need, and let me be your
voice by speaking with
kindness and
compassion to all.

Keep me mindful
of the fact that
no matter how tough my
life may seem, there are
many that would consider
it a blessing to trade
places with me.

I pray all of this in your
name, Amen.



When thinking of a volunteer who understands the needs of our families, who brought out the best in everyone, who placed the needs of others before all else, and who loved the Lord with all his heart, one man comes to mind, Tim Ingram.

For the past 6-1/2 years, Tim has spent countless hours helping Anna's House to grow to become a center helping nearly 250 families each week. Tim has been our go to person for maintenance, pick-ups, deliveries, and neighborhood liaison. He has been a member of the Stringtown Neighborhood Association. He has mentored our area children, organized a bicycle rally for the kids, been the voice of the pantry at the Westside Community Development meetings and a favorite of all the

organizations with which we partner. Without Tim's help, this pantry would not be what it is today. He gave selflessly of himself and we are blessed to have known and loved him.

It is with great sadness that we must say goodbye to our dear friend. On January 19, 2015 Tim lost his hard-fought battle with cancer. All will miss Tim, and the impact of his loss is felt daily as we continue to serve the community he loved so much.

Calendar of Events

V = volunteer opportunities exist

May

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 V

Grocery Distribution

Our weekly grocery distribution offers clients an assortment of non-perishable foods and fresh produce.
10:30 a.m.

6, 13, 20, 27 V

Community Dinner

The Stringtown community is invited to enjoy a hot meal! 5:30 p.m.

5, 12, 19, 26

ESL Classes

Weekly ESL classes are free and open to anyone interested. Free childcare is available to our participating students. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

June

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 V

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3, 10, 17, 24 V

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8 - 30

Summer Breakfast Club

Join us for a hot breakfast at Anna's House Monday thru Friday from 9 - 10:30 a.m.

22 - 26

Camp Outreach

Faith-based kids camp for all children ages 4 to 10 yrs. Camp held M-F from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. with a neighborhood celebration on Saturday.

July

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 V

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1 - 31

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4, 11, 18, 25 V

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7, 14, 21, 28

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