

May 2011

Monthly Newsletter

Goal of \$450,000

Current Pledges \$213,000



\$0.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Crossing the Threshold Capital Campaign Update



A few words from Bob Kleehamer our Campaign Chair:



“God has already been active in the hearts of His people. We have been so blessed to have already received many donations. The second and final of our two mailings went out the week before Easter. People are prayerfully considering what they can pledge over the next two years and many have already made much-appreciated gifts.

A new collaborative partnership has already been formed. People see the need to work together. We want to be the kind of organization that not only encourages that, but helps collaborations to be effective.

If you have questions about the Campaign or wish to receive a packet, please call Christine Harbeson at 812.948.9248, Ext. 1800.”

Things to remember:

- ◇ The Ogle Foundation generously gave a \$100,000 Capital Challenge Grant
- ◇ The Board of Directors launched a \$450,000 Capital Campaign
- ◇ Capital Mailing Solicitation was completed in April

We hope:

- ◇ Renovations begin in May
- ◇ To move our operation to the facility this summer or early fall
- ◇ In-Kind contributions of furniture, cleaning supplies and other needs will come forth
- ◇ New partnerships and collaborations will continue to form and further promote self sufficiency for customers

Please help us:

- ◇ Pray for our leadership, our volunteers, our staff and our customers
- ◇ Spread the word - consider challenging others in your circle of friends to give generously
- ◇ Make a pledge toward this campaign of any amount. Even small donations add up when pooled together with other gifts
- ◇ Consider a planned or estate gift
- ◇ Give thanks to the Lord for all His many blessings

INTERFAITH MINUTE

Please see the results of the Feinstein Challenge on Page 3.

SAVE THE DATE

ICC Board of Director Meeting

May 17, 10 am
Typically meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Purdue Technology Ctr.

ICC Foundation Board Meeting

May 16, 6:00-7:30 pm
Interfaith Office
(ICCF meets every other month)

ICC Representative's Council Meeting

Meets quarterly
2nd Tuesday
6:30-8 pm.
All are welcome.
July - Grace Lutheran

Ministers' Coffee & Luncheon

May 25
11-1
St. John Presbyterian

Community Prayer

Every Thursday morning
9 am
Salvation Army

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PACK THE BUS



We invite you to join us in the Collaboration

Things are moving along well. New participants have joined in the effort, but it takes a lot of donors and volunteers to come up with 3,200 filled backpacks. ***There's still room for you!***

If you would like to be a part of this project, please contact Carol at 948-9248 x1804 or ckannapel@interfaithinc.org.

Our next planning meeting is scheduled for May 17 at 10:30 am. Location to be announced. Charla Mingus &

WOMEN'S SEMINAR WILL BENEFIT PACK THE BUS

Silver Street United Methodist Church is hosting a Women's Seminar
Saturday, May 21, 9am to 3pm
413 Silver Street, New Albany, IN

The topic is: ***Dress for Spiritual Success: Put on the Whole Armor of God***

The guest speaker is Cindy Kanning

Music will be provided by Yvonne Grundy, Charla Mingus & Victoria Haley



Registration is \$15.00

This price includes the seminar, lunch and \$5.00 donation to the Pack the Bus program

All women are invited to attend.

For a registration brochure or more information, contact Donna @ 812-948-5822 or Carol @ 812-948-9248

THE BODY OF CHRIST AT WORK



Christian Formation Ministries hosts The First Monday Grief and Loss Support Group at 7pm the first Monday of every month. The meeting is held at The Center, 220 Graybrook Lane in New Albany. For directions or information, please email Les at granddaddyles@gmail.com.



Trinity United Methodist Church offers an Adult Literacy program every Monday, one session at 4pm and a second at 7pm. It is a one-on-one tutoring program guided by two retired teachers. They are tutoring math and reading. No one is turned away. For more information call the church at 944-2229.



Survivors of Abuse Restored (S.O.A.R.) is a program of healing, help and support for abused women. They meet at the Ministry Center, 1940 McDonald Ave. in New Albany. For more information, call 812-590-2426.

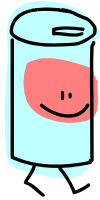
We will be asking you for information to put in this section of our newsletter.

FEINSTEIN CHALLENGE GRANT UPDATE

Thank you for making this project a success.

Through your donations Interfaith is able to send the following amounts in to the Feinstein Foundation for matching funds:

Food: 5,775 Items



Funds: \$8,406



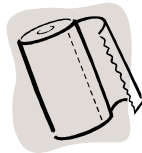
We can participate in this program annually during March & April. Please mark your 2012 calendar to participate in the Feinstein Challenge.

SUPPLIES UPDATE

The food pantry is in need of:

Paper Products

*Toilet paper
Paper towels
Tissues*



Diapers & Pull-ups

All sizes



Household Supplies

*Bath soaps
Cleaning products
Laundry soaps*



Thank you for your help.

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INTERFAITH VOLUNTEERS

Interfaith has over 125 Volunteers who help us at the Market Street location to serve those in our community who are in need. Our front office staff are all Volunteers; they work as receptionists and data entry specialists, and perform various other office duties like filing, sorting, preparing mailings and compiling reports. Volunteers man our pantry; they pick up deliveries, unload, stock, clean refrigeration units and produce, serve clients and even help them load their cars if necessary. Others work with Special Programs doing everything from registration, to purchasing, packaging and distributing items. No matter what job needs to be done, our Volunteers find a way to do it. *We appreciate each and every one of them!*

Here are 3 we are able to thank in a special way this year.



2011 Gold Leaf Volunteer Award
Thelma Akers



2011 Gold Acorn Volunteer Award
Adaline Heitz



2011 RSVP Volunteers of the Year
Pat & Nelson Stone

VOLUNTEERS

RSVP'S SPECIAL OFFER FOR TASTE TICKETS

A Taste of Southern Indiana *RSVP Fund Raiser*

June 23, 2011, 6 - 9 p.m.
Activities Building (Gym) at IUS

Ticket Order Form

Buy 5 Tickets and Get 1 Free



Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Number of tickets _____ x \$20 per ticket = Total enclosed \$ _____

Check _____ Cash _____

Mailing address: RSVP, 702 East Market St., New Albany IN 47150

Office location: 1307 E. Elm, New Albany, @ St. John's Presbyterian Church, lower entrance on 13th St.
Call 812-948-1815 for more information.

This event benefits the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, a part of Interfaith Community Council.

Interfaith Community Council, Inc. is a 501(c)3 tax exempt nonprofit.

RSVP receives support from Metro United Way and United Way of Scott County.

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From time to time, Interfaith works with other organizations to provide opportunities to honor our community's servants. Below is an example of a high quality award and program. Perhaps you know someone worthy of this recognition. These recognitions often inspire others to get involved.



2011 BELL AWARDS WLKY-TV's Spirit of Louisville Foundation

The 2011 WLKY Bell Awards banquet : Thursday, October 6th at the Galt House.

Applications are being accepted now.

AWARD OBJECTIVE

Every day people in our community are making valuable donations to charitable organizations, community activities, schools, and faith-based organizations with the precious gift of time, energy and special talents. With today's tight economic conditions, the need for volunteers is even greater. For the thirty-fourth year, the WLKY Spirit of Louisville Foundation, Inc., a non-profit organization formed in 1978, is seeking to call attention to these outstanding volunteers who have taken the time to care.

NOMINEE QUALIFICATIONS

Any volunteer living in the Kentuckiana area is eligible for a Bell Award. Only one person may be nominated on a form. Nominations for couples, groups or organizations are not eligible.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Each year, awards are given in the following categories:

- Adult Bell Award Recipient (10 individuals are selected each year)
- Youth Service Honor (2 junior or senior high school students are selected each year)

JUDGING CRITERIA

The WLKY-TV Spirit of Louisville Foundation Board of Trustees will select the Bell Award and Youth Service Honor recipients based on the information provided in this nomination form. The judges consider:\

- The average number of hours volunteered
- The diversity of the nominee's volunteer activities
- What defines this nominee as an "outstanding" volunteer

Download the application from <http://www.wlky.com/bell-awards> or call 502.893.3671 to have a form mailed to you.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2011

**Mail application packets to: WLKY Bell Awards
1918 Mellwood Avenue
Louisville, KY 40206**

HELPFUL INFORMATION

- Including supporting letters, copies of articles, etc. with the application tends to boost a nominee's score.

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**“I DON’T HAVE KIDS.
WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP ?”**

“Every child you encounter is a divine appointment.”

Wess Stafford, President, Compassion International

Not every person is called to have children, is able to bear children or to adopt, but every person is called to minister to others. It doesn't have to take a lot. A simple smile, a friendly hello or the offer of help to someone who looks confused in the grocery store. Sometimes getting involved with an organization helps a person discover areas that need attention. If you need help figuring out how you can help, contact us. We would be honored to help.

Do what you can to develop positive assets in the children and teens around you!

For more about Assets: <http://www.interfaithinc.org/YouthDev.html>

Or go to YouthCount.com for more information about Asset Building

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE.
YOU CAN STILL PARTICIPATE.**

The National Nazarene Youth Conference is being held in Louisville this year.

Over 5,000 youth will be in our area working on local missions and volunteer opportunities.

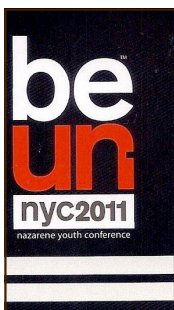
Wednesday, July 6, 2011: Day of Service and Ministry

To get a group for your project,

contact Aubrey Tavares at atavares@nazarene.org or call her at 913.577.2954.

Aubrey will need:

- 1) a brief description of the service project
- 2) how many volunteers you can accommodate
- 3) your contact information (name & phone number) now and on July 6.



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MINISTERS' COFFEE & (SPECIAL) LUNCH

May 25, 2011

11 am-1 pm

St. John Presbyterian Church

Host: Rev. Allen Colwell

1307 Elm St.

New Albany, IN 47150



Please RSVP to Christine by emailing charbeson@interfaithinc.org or calling 812.206.1800. Be sure to leave a message including your name and church affiliation.

Our discussion will focus on the potential for an ecumenical service during Harvest Homecoming: possibly a kick off service on Thursday, October 13

*Ministers' Coffee is open to all area Ministers and Clergy
Christine Harbeson ~ Executive Director*

CHURCH UPDATES

We will be contacting your church by phone and/or email. We will be asking about the following:

1. **Confirmation of the data** we have on file for your church. (i.e. contact information, address, service times, etc.)
2. **Special Program Information** to share in our Body of Christ at Work section on page 2
3. **Vacation Bible School plans.** We will compile a list of the available VBS opportunities and distribute the information via the newsletter, email, and flyers through our office.
4. **The possibility of scheduling a meeting with Christine** to discuss Interfaith's future and its role with your church among other topics. Christine is holding Wednesday's for this purpose but other days, even evenings, are available.

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"A Christ-focused ministry serving the whole community"

702 East Market Street
New Albany, IN 47150



Interfaith's future home

~ Working hand in hand with our churches for the growth of the Kingdom ~



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Legacy of Faith

Interfaith Community Council Foundation, Inc.

The Interfaith Community Council Foundation, Inc. is a separate and independent 501(C)(3) not-for-profit with the sole purpose of providing support for the various community programs and projects coordinated through Interfaith Community Council. Contributions are tax deductible. Contact Christine Harbeson at 812.206.1800 for more information.



GENERAL MILLS



United Way



Interfaith Community Council, Inc. is supported by Our Heavenly Father, Metro United Way and the generous gifts of our church family and community. Thank you!



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

May 5 at the courthouse ... Community draws together for National Day of Prayer

The Salvation Army's services to six Southern Indiana counties are based at its Center of Hope on Green Valley Road in New Albany, while the courthouse square downtown will become the Center of a Public Display of Support and Faith for the annual National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 5.

From noon to 12:30 p.m., the Salvation Army, in conjunction with the City of New Albany, will host the public for the brief time of music, Scripture reading, and prayer as the community unites in faith.

The courthouse area has welcomed citizens as part of the national commemoration for more than 20 years. The convenience of gathering during part of the lunch hour at the central location and the involvement of a variety of churches and people of all ages are strengths of the event, according to Roxanne Haley, the Salvation Army's business administrator.

Participants in this year's short program represent several sectors of the community. Pastor Robert Vestor of Silver Street United Methodist Church will give the opening prayer. Major Steve Kiger, executive director of the Salvation Army in the region, will introduce community leaders; and Mayor Doug England will read a proclamation.

Pastor Dean Scott of Graceland Baptist Church will sing a solo, and other music will be provided by Northside Christian Church. Pastor Dale Raines of First Baptist Church will read Scripture, and Pastor Tony Alstott of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church will deliver the closing prayer.

At the end of the program, people have the opportunity to gather in small groups on the grounds and pray.

"When adults, young people, and children from different backgrounds attend and pray, it makes a strong statement that our community stands together when our culture needs God most," Haley said.

The Salvation Army offers an array of services to residents of Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington counties. These include emergency social services, transitional housing, the Kids' Academy after-school program, day and overnight camping programs, the Thrift Store, and a variety of additional need-centered ministries.

For additional information, call 944-1018.

Needed immediately: A few good volunteers for a short term local project to help tornado victims

There is a local effort to collect items to help tornado victims in the Southeast. The Koetter Group/Koetter Construction is donating the use of a warehouse on Hausfeldt Lane in New Albany to be used as a collection site and Summit Trucking will be shipping the stuff to the south.

We need a few good volunteers to work at the warehouse, accepting the donations, either sorting them or directing the donors to place them into the 6 specific areas designated below. A Koetter staff member will be on hand at all times.

We think we only need 2 volunteers per shift. If you can work one of the following shifts, please contact Ceil Sperzel at RSVP, 948-1815, rsvp@interfaithinc.org.

Monday – Thursday, May 9 – 12, 4 – 8 p.m.

Saturday, May 14, 8 – 11; 11 – 2; 2 – 6.

More information about the effort is included in the following press release.

**SOUTHEASTERN TORNADO RELIEF EFFORT
SOUTHERN INDIANA COLLECTION POINT
4005 EARNINGS WAY, NEW ALBANY INDIANA, 47150
(CORNER OF HAUSFELDT LANE AND EARNINGS WAY)**

The items listed below will be collected, packaged, loaded and shipped to a distribution point in Alabama in an effort to assist the victims of the tornadoes that struck the region

**The Collection Center will be open from 4:00 PM to 8:00PM Monday-Thursday 5-9-11 to 5-12-11
And Saturday 5-14-11 from 8:00 AM to 6:00PM**

ONLY NEW ITEMS CAN BE ACCEPTED

Please, if possible, sort your donations into the following categories

CLEANING SUPPLIES

Mops
Brooms
Shovels
Trash bags, gloves
Bleach
Soaps
Disinfectants
Paper towels

TOILETRIES

Soap
Shampoo
Deodorants
Shaving cream
Razors
Tooth brushes
Toothpaste
Combs / brushes
Feminine products

BABY SUPPLIES

Formula
Formula bottles
Diapers
Baby wipes

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD SUPPLIES

Bottled water
Canned goods
Boxed cereals
Peanut butter
Breakfast / energy bars

PET SUPPLIES

Canned / bagged dog / cat food

COMFORT

Sheets
Pillows
Towels
Blankets

DIRECTIONS:

From I-265 East take Grant Line Road Exit, stay to the right, and turn Left at first stop light onto Hausfeldt Lane. Continue to Earnings Way; turn right on Earnings Way, First Building on the Left.

From I-265 West take Grant Line Rd Exit, turn Left onto Grant Line Road, second light turn Left onto Hausfeldt Lane. Continue to Earnings Way; turn right on Earnings Way, First Building on the Left.