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# The Carpenter's Table Community Outreach Center



## Newsletter Helping Feed Our Community

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### **Greetings!**

Welcome to The Carpenter's Table Newsletter. We are delighted to keep you updated on what goes on at the food pantry.

### **RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY**

Please join us for a ribbon cutting ceremony as we celebrate and give thanks for the completion of The Carpenter's Table Community Outreach Center. This new building is where we will continue the mission of helping those in need within the community.

**Date:** Sunday, September 13, 2009

Wish List for the New Building

NUMBER OF VISITORS  
TO THE CARPENTERS  
TABLE FROM 1/1/09-  
7/31/09

Jan.	257
February	200
March	230
April	235
May	335
June	284
July	338

**Time:** 12:20 pm

**Location:** The Carpenter's Table Community Outreach Center is located next to Tyger River Presbyterian Church, 5961 Reidville Road, Moore

## KEN MEDEMA CONCERT

"One of America's most gifted and favorite Christian musicians"

**SAVE THE DATE!** October 17, 2009

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Location:** Morningside Baptist Church Social Hall  
899 South Pine Street  
Spartanburg

All proceeds to benefit Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN) and The Carpenter's Table Food Pantry.

To reserve your tickets, call 864-597-0699 or 864-433-9080.

**Suggested donation \$15.**

(children under 14 free with the purchase of 2 adult tickets).

## Stories from the Pantry

### A NEW WINTER COAT

In the winter, we collect coats and give them to our visitors so that they may stay warm on those cold winter days. This past winter we had a mother and her son visit our food pantry and when she saw the coats, she smiled and asked if it was possible for her son to have a coat. She was told that if there was a coat that he could wear that, of course, he could have a coat. She explained that his coat was so tattered and ragged that she was so embarrassed that he had to wear it but it was all he had. After looking through the rack of coats, she came across a small leather bomber jacket and beamed. She told him to try it on, that she thought it would be a perfect fit and it was. She cried and praised God for blessing her and her son that day and he left the pantry smiling from ear to ear.

## Volunteer Opportunities **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We need volunteers for the following:

- Volunteers to work in the food pantry on Saturdays from 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon
- Volunteers to bag groceries on a Thursday or Friday
- Volunteers to shop for food items needed each week

If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please contact Chris Higgins at 809-3695 or cahiggins580@msn.com.

#### **DONATIONS MADE TO THE CARPENTER'S TABLE FOR JUNE AND JULY 2009**

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rives	Mr. and Mrs. Allen Johnston
Linda Anderson	Mr. and Mrs. Nick Perkins
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rudasill	Mr. and Mrs. Larry Carroll
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Norteman	Mr. and Mrs. Mac Weldon
Mr. and Mrs. Don Jones	Mr. and Mrs. Norm Raiford
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson	Mr. and Mrs. John Carson
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hinson	Mr. and Mrs. George Reitmeier
Mr. and Mrs. John Smith	Mr. and Mrs. William Galgon
Shayler Rychlick	J. Kessinger
Linda Allison	Adult Sunday School class
Don Finkell	Joy Lutheran Church
Mr. and Mrs. Barry Slider	

#### **DONATIONS MADE IN HONOR OF OR MEMORY OF**

- Melanie Reese in memory of her father, Jack Leard
- Betty Hart in memory of Roger Higgins
- Mr. and Mrs. George Reitmeier in memory of Mary Ann Bethea's brother
- John Bowlus on behalf of Heather Brooks

#### **THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS FROM 6/1/09 - 7/31/09**

##### **Saturday Morning**

Mike and Judy Rudasill	Doug Cushing
Linda Allison	Norm Raiford
Holly Paul	Barry Slider
Anwen Hargreaves & sons	Chris Higgins
Gary and Joann Smith	Ron & Jackie Powell
Kris & Mary Ann Carroll	John & Betty Smith
TRPC Youth	

**Grocery Baggers**

John & Betty Smith  
 Judy Rudasill  
 The Battistini family

**Shoppers**

Jackie Powell  
 Judy Rudasill  
 Judy Rives  
 Judy Taetz

Margene Means  
 Marilyn Staak  
 Chris Higgins

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:**

Sam's Club for a \$1,000 grant along with their weekly donations of bread and pastries to the pantry

Curves, in Duncan for their collection and donation of canned goods to the pantry

The Youth for shopping for the food pantry during VBS

**WISH LIST FOR THE NEW BUILDING**

Below is a WISH LIST for the new building. With the building nearly completed, we will need the below items to finish the interior working spaces of the new food pantry:

**DISTRIBUTION AREA:**

4 folding tables  
 30 linear feet of wire restaurant shelving (similar to existing Food pantry shelving)  
 30 feet of belt crowd control posts and stanchions  
 Acrylic Literature display  
 Freezer  
 Refrigerators

**KITCHEN:**

Refrigerator  
 Work table  
 Coffee Maker  
 Broom  
 Mop  
 Vacuum cleaner  
 Trash cans

**OFFICE:**

1 computer  
 2 desk chairs  
 2-4 guest chairs  
 Shelving Units

**STORAGE**

Plastic bins  
 Folding Table

Please contact Chris Higgins (cahiggins580@msn.com) if you can donate any of the above items.

Thank you for your continued help and support. You are what makes this outreach program so successful.

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**Sincerely,**

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