

December 2024

Happy Holidays



Did you know that each Buddy Bag contains six meals & snacks? Each month our middle school students' families are provided a \$20 Stracks card to insure there is food for the weekends.

This makes the weekly cost per student \$5.00
 $\$5.00 \times 860 \text{ students} = \$4,300 \text{ weekly}$

Is it time for you to make a Retirement Plan or IRA Distribution?

We ask that you consider a donation to Community Help Network. Join us in our vision to help make all in our community lead a life of self-reliance.



\$1,000 check presented by Tim Fealy to board members, Bob Votaw, Dian Reyome and Paul Sills.



Hometown Happenings is a long-time supporter of Buddy Bags. They will donate \$5 for every runner that signs up for any race using code "BuddyBags" at checkout. Sign up now for **Santa Run – December 21st** 5K/2K Walk/Run
<https://runsignup.com/R/ace/IN>



The Apple Newsletter

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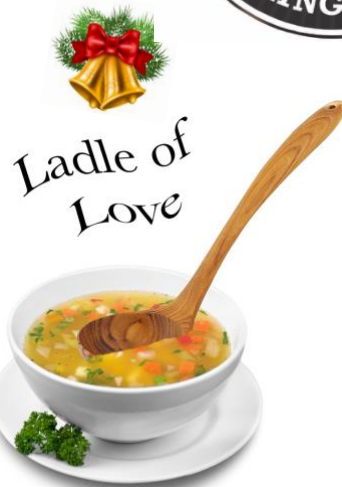
From Bonnie's Messy Desk

Tis the season for gratitude, giving and asking for guidance into the new year. Let us continue to focus on those less fortunate and ways in which we can improve their lives.

We see the appreciation of our Household Pantry clients and the joy of those who attend Ladle of Love. In giving to others, we receive the gift of knowing our lives have meaning and purpose. May your Holidays be filled with joy and good health!



We are also collecting \$10 gift cards from fast food chains for our almost 200 middle school Buddy Bag Kiddos!



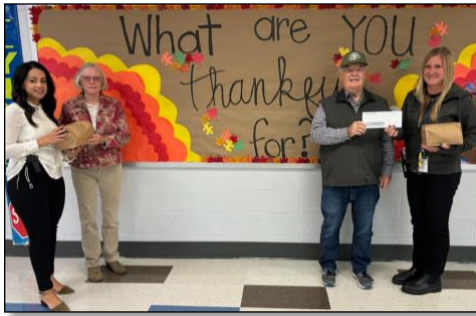
Ladle of Love December 7th and 21st.

Kitchen help, dining hall help, serving and clean up help are all needed on the 7th. Please check volunteer opportunities on signupgenius.com or shoot us an email at communityhelpnetwork2020@gmail.com
Come and enjoy the fellowship, food and fun from 11:00 am 1:00pm.

Free Will Offering Accepted, but Never Expected.

All are welcome!





We are thankful to Kolling Elementary School in St. John. They are one of our Buddy Bag schools. Their recent fundraiser was a benefit for Buddy Bags to the tune of \$740.55!!! Thank you everyone at Kolling, staff, students and families!! (In photo: Cassandra Cruz (Principal), Barb & Denny Woods (CHN Volunteers) and Marissa Clabaugh (Assistant Principal).



Crown Point Rotary joined us for packing for MacArthur's students. Thank you, everyone!!



Girls Scouts decorating cookies for Ladle of Love Thanksgiving Feast.



Are you interested in becoming a CHN Community Partner? Give Dian Reyome a call at 219-682-5356 or shoot her an email at dianreyome@gmail.com.



Become a Century Club Member Today



<https://www.communityhelpnet.org/donations>



One of the weekly inspirational notes included in every Buddy Bag. We put valuable information on the backside.



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