

## **Stewpot Newsletter**

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#### **Our Mission**

The primary mission of the Stewpot is to Feed the Hungry - "Feed whoever walks through our doors". The Stewpot is open from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday of each week providing a hot meal to the homeless, jobless, elderly, physically or mentally disabled and displaced families in the Greater Little

Rock area. The Little Rock Stewpot has served over 1.5 million meals in the last 45 years.

### **Stewpot 1st Thursday Team**





The 1st Thursday Team always serves Fresh Fruit



This is what a Stewpot Patron Receives on a 1st Thursday

#### **Ed Brown Gets New Vehicle**

Ed Brown, Day manager of Stewpot, has not a car for several months. He has had to walk from home to the Stewpot and back everyday. That is no longer the case. A Stewpot volunteer recently gave Ed a 2011 Hyundai Santa Fe. It only has 75,000 miles. Boy, is Ed proud of his vehicle.









Cedric Gaither, better known to the Stewpot volunteers as "Ced" is leaving the Stewpot for a new job. Ced works part-time helping Ed and fills in for him when Ed is not there. He also works in the Clothes Closet every Thursday.



#### **Baptist Health Community Outreach**



Did you know that the Stewpot has one primary and two secondary missions?

- The primary mission is to Feed the Hungry.
- The secondary mission is to Help Clothe the Needy.
- A third mission is to offer Free Medical Services to the sick.

The third mission is fulfilled by Baptist Health Community Outreach. Nurses from this organization come to the Stewpot the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month. They check blood pressure and glucose levels in addition to many other things. A

physician and a pharmacist come on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each to treat more serious complaints and to offer prescription medicines.



#### **Special Stewpot Project by Trinity Presbyterian Youth**

Trinity Presbyterian Youth have been looking for a way to help participate in the community and Stewpot turned out to be just what they were looking for. They met on a Sunday night with Nancy Rorex, Manager of Stewpot and a member of Trinity, to discuss the importance of Stewpot and how it directly helps those with needs in our community. The youth then began

packing gallon sized zip lock bags with supplies that might be needed by those people experiencing hardship. Items included soap, shampoo, a toothbrush and toothpaste, and even some of the youth's favorite snacks like Oreo cookies. Finally, the children wrote notes to place in each bag; some included words of encouragement and reminders of God's love for them. On a Monday the youth group brought the bags to Stewpot - all 110 of them! Each person served at Stewpot that day received a bag full of supplies and love. Our youth group were rewarded with valuable experience in a mission project that they saw through from start to finish.









#### **Stewpot Appreciation Dinner**

The Stewpot will hold an Appreciation Dinner for all of its volunteers on Thursday, September 27th at 6:00 p.m. in the Stewpot Dining Room. Trinity Presbyterian Church has volunteered to prepare the meal. More information will follow as the date gets closer.

# Clothes Closet

"I needed clothes and you clothed me."

Matthew 25:38

### **Clothes Closet Update**

Shoes are one of the most requested items in the Clothes Closet, and once we receive them, most don't last long on the shelves. Our most recent shoe donation was from Go Running, and we certainly appreciate their continued support! We always need shoes, especially athletic shoes, so check your closets.......I'll bet you'll find some there just waiting to be donated!

Barbara



**Carl and Barbara with shoes from Go Running!** 



**1st Thursday Clothes Closet Team** 



Stewpot Patron with a Pair of Jeans from the Clothes Closet

# PLEASE READ: IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Message 1: Team Captains: Please check with your team members to be sure that they are receiving the Stewpot Newsletter. If they are not, please tell them to email me and let me know. Thanks. chfrith@mac.com

**Message 2:** Stewpot needs to keep a record of the number of individuals served on an annual basis. This is the responsibility of the Team Captains. Please record the beginning and the ending number of bowls and the total number of bowls used.

The beginning number is usually recorded, but oftentimes, the ending number is not recorded.

#### Stewpot Video

To see a short video about the Stewpot, click on the Stewpot below.

**Stewpot** 

## **Stewpot Holidays**

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King Day
Good Friday
Memorial Day
Independence Day (4th of July)
Labor Day
Thanksgiving
Friday after Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day

Interested in joining us to support this great cause?"

**Volunteer** 

Donate

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