



KENNETH BUTLER MEMORIAL SOUP KITCHEN

Quarterly Newsletter - November, 2020

Current Wish List:

- *Bottled Water
- *Styrofoam 3 comp. lg. foam hinged lid containers (9 1/2 x 9 1/4 x 3 - Dart 95HT3R 200/box)
- *Mayonnaise
- *Canned carrots
- *Canned white beans
- *Bisquick or other baking mix
- *Salsa
- *Crackers (all types)
- *Craisins
- *French's Onion Rings

(please remember we are only taking donations of food and money at this time.)

WORDS FROM JILL

from the desk of Executive Director,
Jill Ebbert

Welcome to the first quarterly edition of the KBMSK newsletter. Thanks to one of my board members, Carol Reynolds, for making this long time goal a reality. 2020 has been, to say the least, a stressful year for all of us. However, the soup kitchen continues to be blessed beyond measure. Much of that is in fact because of you, our faithful donors, volunteers and friends. When all of our scheduled annual events were being cancelled one after another, you stepped up to erase a potential operating budget loss of \$62,000. When many of our core volunteers were unable to be here because of COVID-19, others stepped up serving multiple times weekly. When we had to completely change our procedures for almost everything, all of you were so understanding. In short, whatever we needed, you provided because of the love you have for our mission. Our mission is simply to provide nutritious meals, without question or judgment, to anyone. To date, we have done that 19,786 times. But, we don't stop there. We make every effort to care for our patrons right where they are with whatever needs they have. In the spirit of the season, let me thank you once again for all you do to help our mission help others. Happy Thanksgiving to you and your loved ones. Please stay safe and well!

WORDS FROM A DONOR

by Sandy Miller

I commuted to Indianapolis for 41 years for my work. When I retired, I wanted to support my local community where I have lived for 44 years. The first nonprofit I called was the Kenneth Butler Memorial Soup Kitchen. At the time it was only a couple of years old, but I had heard good things. I met Jill Ebbert and learned about volunteer opportunities. I have been a regular volunteer and donor ever since. Those of us who help at the Kitchen learn the most interesting things. I didn't know that mustard alleviates the pain of a burn. I learned that a tea solution makes a good cleaner for the stove. We use the food available, so I have combined unique ingredients to make scrumptious meals. Working with my Tri Kappa sisters and with others I met for the first time in the Kitchen, a special camaraderie has developed. No one in our community should be hungry. The twice daily meals prepared by the volunteers at the Kitchen, the take home sack lunches for the weekends, and the bags of food that are given to patrons help ensure that no one is hungry. I am so happy to support such a worthy mission. In addition to volunteering, I donate to the operations and the Endowment Fund. I also give to the Soup Kitchen each time I make a purchase at Amazon through the Amazon Smile program. It may only be a little amount each time, but it does add up. Thank you Soup Kitchen for the great work that you do.

DAY OF CARING

December 24, 2020

Although KBMSK is not participating in the Day of Caring this year, a version of the event will still be taking place. Please watch God's Open Arms social media for more information. If you would like to donate or volunteer, please call Peggy Couch at 317-339-8015



Sandy Miller

“ WORDS FROM A PATRON...

The volunteers are wonderful. They have been very sweet and kind to us. They always have smiling faces and are happy to see the children when they are in the car. When my daughter lost her job, they were very helpful with phone numbers and names of places that were hiring.

WORDS ABOUT SAFETY

by the Board of Directors

In order to protect our staff and volunteers during the pandemic, we are keeping the building closed and locked.

We are only taking donations of food and money. If you bring a donation, please park in the lot to the west of the building and call us to let us know what you have. Someone will meet you at the office door. Unfortunately, we cannot accept donations of clothing, blankets or other items at this time.

Serving times:

Carry out meals only

11-1 and 5-7 Monday - Friday

Office hours:

9:00am - 4:30pm Monday - Friday

Closed Saturday and Sunday.

Delivery hours at office door (alley door) or back door:

9:00 - 11:30am and 1:30 - 4:30pm

Monday - Friday

Closed for holidays:

November 26-27

December 24-25

January 1

WORDS FROM A VOLUNTEER

by Jackie Barton

I have been blessed with 2 careers in my lifetime. One with the Air Force, the other in the Longterm Care Industry. Upon retiring I thought I'd never experience the camaraderie/esprit de corps of working alongside people striving towards a collective goal. Yet, I discovered it here at the Kenneth Butler Memorial Soup Kitchen.

The team here, staff/volunteers, are remarkable, caring, and dedicated people; all determined to make a difference. They inspire me.



Jackie Barton



HOUSE DRESSING

2 Cups Hellman's Mayonaise

1 cup sugar

squirt of mustard

squirt of apple cider vinegar

Mix well and refrigerate a few hours before serving.

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