

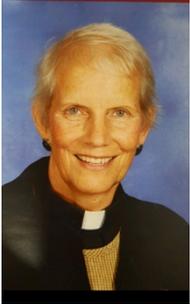
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PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

July 2018 Edition

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Nativity Lutheran's Kristin Wee



Since 2009, Nativity Lutheran Church has supported PHP, due in a large part because of Kristin Wee, a former pastor and founder of People Helping People. Kris worked tirelessly to build PHP to be an interfaith organization that supported the impoverished and the hungry in Hernando County. Nativity Lutheran just sent PHP a significant donation for PHP's Weekend Blessing, a backpack program that provides weekend food for children and a donation to PHP's Sunday Blessing meal that has been served to hungry families and individuals since July 2009. Kris Wee made an effort to visit the meal site every week, unless she was too ill or was out of town.

Magic Show Set for September 8



Elliott Smith has entertained corporations, television audiences and travelers across Canada, the United States, Europe, the Caribbean and Mexico for over 43 years. A member of the International Brotherhood

of Magicians and the distinguished Order of Merlin Shield, Elliott has performed his special brand of magic and comedy for Prime Ministers of Canada, International Ambassadors, the late Liberace as well as Jay Leno. Last year, he was the headline act at the prestigious Friars Club in New York City. He has opened for such iconic groups as The Four Aces, Bill Haley's Comets and Danny & The Juniors.

Elliott's interactive comedy magic show is for all ages and will captivate you with humor and surprises you will not soon forget. His show is comprised of illusion, Mentalism and escape maximizing the use of comedy, wit, lots of audience participation and 'fun' with many hilarious moments. If you're looking to laugh and have a great time, this is the show. Tickets will be available in mid-July for the September 8th shows. Call (352)686-4466 for info.

Collaboration = Interior Painting

PHP Board Members, Mary Adams and Ellen Frank attended the Hernando Builders Association meeting and met Richard Moore with Sherwin-Williams Paint. After hearing about the HELP Center, Richard offered to provide the interior paint at a deep discount to PHP. Then on May 31, Shawna and Andy Hall, managers with Publix, visited the future HELP Center to get a preview of the progress and what PHP plans to do with the building. They offered to get a team of Publix managers together to paint the building on June 18th. Then Bev Reso stopped in and offered \$500 from Kiwanis Club of the Adventure Coast to pay for the paint and supplies. So together, the community put their money, supplies and labor together to paint the interior of the community resource center.



What's going on at the HELP Center?



Right now the following has been completed:

- LED lighting
- Ceiling Grid
- Painted Walls
- Tiled Restrooms

If you'd like to peek in to see what's

happening, call (352) 686-4466 and ask Doug to arrange a tour. To donate materials, equipment and labor, call Jeff Thomas, the general contractor at (352) 686-7527. The project should be finished in Summer '18.



New Policy and Procedures

Groups of volunteers are busy working on new policies and procedures that PHP will implement at the future HELP Center when it opens. Besides providing food, PHP will link people to benefits, education, training and resources empowering them to help themselves to become productive members of Hernando County.

Needy individuals will be encouraged to participate in the upkeep of the center in order to receive services. Therefore, PHP will not be providing just “free” services or a hand-out. An individual receiving services is expected to volunteer for various tasks around the center such as custodial and maintenance of the building, enrolling in a GED program, helping prepare food or serve guests. PHP will give a hand-up to individuals that receive benefits by helping others. Additionally, PHP will provide on-the-job training opportunities so unskilled individuals can gain work experience. Plans are underway to expand the feeding program to provide food safety training and certification along with culinary, restaurant, and kitchen skills that are valuable to local employers.

Offering a hand-up, not a hand-out

Yard Sale is a Big Success

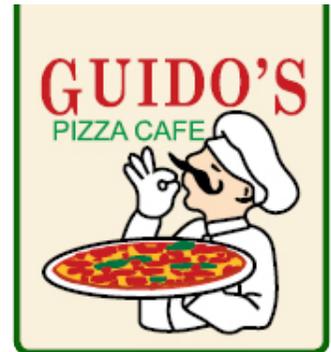
On June 1st and 2nd, PHP held a Yard Sale in front of the future HELP Center. Thanks to volunteers and many donations from individuals and organizations, PHP earned over \$3000 net profit for the new construction.

June 2018 Meal Sponsors

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