



Stewpot Newsletter
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Day Manager - Ed Brown

Communications - Charlie Frith

Stewpot Captains Meeting



The Stewpot Board hosted a dinner and informational meeting in the Fellowship Hall of 1st Pres on Monday evening, September 21st. Approximately 35 team captains and team representatives attended the meeting. Scott Seidenschwarz cooked a delicious meal for the group. Some of the items discussed at the meeting included:

1. Ed Brown is the Day Manager and is in charge. Team captains take orders from Ed and do not give orders to Ed.
2. Food is served from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. **No Exceptions!**
3. Ed's duties include the following:
 - a. Oversees everything that happens in the dining room and outside.
 - b. Washes the towels in the morning
 - c. Prepares the beverages
 - d. Puts out the chairs
 - e. Assists teams when necessary
 - f. Monitors equipment and facility
 - g. Monitors diners and dining room before, during and after serving
 - h. At end of the day he cleans tables, floors, pantry, refrigerators, beverage table, trash cans and stacks the chairs

Team Responsibilities

Teams are responsible for the kitchen area which includes storing leftover food in containers, cleaning all roasters, wiping down and cleaning all serving areas including island, sinks and carts and putting dirty aprons and towels in the basket on the floor so Ed can wash them.

**Side Table - Monday - Salad
Tuesday and Thursday - Pudding
Wednesday and Friday - Fruit**

Leave this area the way you would want it to be left for you!

Please count the bowls or plates at the beginning and ending. This is important for keeping track of the individuals we feed.

KIND OF FOOD SERVED: _____

Food Left Over: Kind _____ Amount _____

Comments _____

DINERS SERVED: Beginning Bowls _____ - Ending Bowls _____ = _____

Fill it out. It only takes a minute!



Team Captains and/or their Representatives

Stewpot Expense Report - 2015

Food	\$65,000.
Labor and Helpers	30,000.
Utilities	6,000.
Repairs/Maintenance	5,000.

Miscellaneous	1,000.
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$107,000.
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FaithSpring Church Donates Serving Trays to Stewpot

Patsie Bridges of FaithSpring Church notified Stewpot that they bought 150 new trays through their Forum Sunday school class!
They serve the on 4th Thursday.



Patsie holds some of the trays purchased by the FaithSpring Forum Sunday school class.

Stewpot Angels



The Stewpot Board would like to thank these angels for what they do for the Stewpot.

Jack McCollum - Bread delivery

Mick Wilson - Picks up bread several times a week from the Old Mill Bakery and the Boulevard Bakery

Kay Shurgar - Rice Depot and Stewpot Christmas gifts

Joanie McCaskill and Diane Carroll - "Thank You" notes

Scott Seidenschwarz - Building issues and buzzer system

Janie - First Presbyterian Office - open Monday - Wednesday- Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Cathy Allen - Potluck

Nurse Racheal - For being there and caring

Christmas Gift Bags



Christmas is just around the corner . We just want to let everyone know that Stewpot will continue to provide gift bags for 200 diners in mid December. We've kept the cost per bag around \$10. Basic items include: knit cap, socks, gloves, poncho,

hand warmers, toiletries, and usually a specialty item (blanket, warm shirt, etc.). To help purchase gift bags, send your check, payable to Stewpot:

The Stewpot - Little Rock
c/o First Presbyterian Church
800 Scott Street
Little Rock, AR 72201

Stewpot Receives a \$1,500 Grant



The Stewpot received a \$1,500 grant from the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance. The money from the grant could not be used for food. The money was used for a new "Buzzer" system located in the small Stewpot kitchen. The church office is not staffed full-time and individuals arriving to cook or serve at the Stewpot must often text or call Ed or Cedric to come down and let them in. The new Buzzer system will allow individuals working in the kitchen to see who is at the front door and remotely unlock the door for entry.

The church office is only staffed on Monday - Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m. If the buzzer rings

while you are in the kitchen, please be sure that you recognize the individuals before letting them into the church.





**Does Your Team need Additional
Workers**



If you are a Captain of a Stewpot Team and need additional workers for your team (either temporary or permanent), please contact Jan Van Ness (by telephone 680-3739 or email jvanness8@gmail.com).

Stewpot Video

**To See a short video about the Stewpot,
click on the photo below.**



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From the Clothes Closet.....

The Clothes Closet is getting ready to begin the process of changing from warm weather clothing to cold weather gear! During this time, we always become even more aware of our needs to help our neighbors. So, if you too are changing clothing seasons and find yourself with gently-used items we need, please remember the Clothes Closet! We are **extremely** low on:

- Men's jeans and dockers type pants (sizes 30-38)
- Men's T-shirts
- Men's and women's athletic shoes and boots
- Men's and women's hoodie style jackets
- Men's briefs and boxers underwear
- Men's and women's socks

Socks are probably the most requested item we distribute. Recently, we gave out 116 pairs of men's white socks.....this didn't include the black socks that were also handed out. So, you can understand why we are ALWAYS requesting socks!!!



An anonymous donor recently donated \$500 to buy underwear for the Stewpot.



**How Many Meals does Stewpot
serve in one month?**

Approximately 3,400 each month.

How much does one meal cost?

**The price has risen
from approximately \$2.15 a
meal to \$2.67 a meal.**

Make a Donation to Stewpot



Your donations to The Stewpot have helped us feed the hungry for the past 40 years. Thanks to your support, we are able to supplement our allocations from Potluck, Rice Depot and other food banks with needed milk, canned and fresh food.

Please send your donations to The Stewpot - Little Rock, 800 Scott Street, Little Rock, AR 72201.

Check out our Website

<http://stewpot-littlerock.org>

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