



# Central Avenue Center of Hope Newsletter

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**A Place Where All are Welcome**

**Fall 2019**

The center is not going to be the same. We recently lost one of our great volunteers. Sandy Kiesel has been volunteering at the center since 2005. Sandy was the one that saw that the Center had the first information film about what we do. Sandy helped the World Church with filming the church's tapes on Haiti in the late 1960's early 1970's. Sandy was at the center for the holiday meals. He was in charge of getting the potatoes peeled, cooked & mashed and helped to slice the ham. He always stayed until the last pot was washed and put away. He carried food to cars when we handed out Feed the Elderly Holiday baskets. He was always there to help with the Postal Food Drive. Sandy helped with maintenance at the center. He was always willing to help anyway or anywhere he could. Sandy passed away October 26<sup>th</sup>. It will be hard to replace his services. All of us at the Center will miss him. He was there every Wednesday and Friday for years.

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- 175 Christmas Gifts Needed for All Ages
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**Appreciation Dinner 2016**



**Postal Drive 2017**



**Thanksgiving 2018**

News from the Site Director:

The holidays are fast approaching. Where did the year go? We are going to have our Thanksgiving Meal and Christmas Meal again this year. Thanksgiving will be on Thanksgiving Day. Christmas meal, Christmas store and Christmas gifts will be on Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. At the bottom of this page is a list of items needed for each of the dinners.



We will try to hand out food baskets for both holidays for the elderly in the neighborhood (25 to 30) if we get enough funding. They will receive a turkey breast or ham, side dish, vegetables, fruit, and a pie. This gives them a holiday meal with leftovers. If you would like to help fund this project contact Kerry Lukenbill.

I want to thank everyone that helped with our Christmas in July. We have several toys, books, clothes, and other items for the store. We could use more if you have gentle used toys or new items so parents and grandparents can pick out gifts for the children in their lives.

I want to thank all the congregations for the great job on the Paper Good Drive. The items donated will get us through most of the year. We really appreciate all the paper good items thanks.

Thank you, all for the support, time, and prayers you give to the Center of Hope. You do give our clients HOPE.

Blessings

Marsha Nave



## Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinner Food List

7 Turkeys - 15lbs. or larger

2-lg. bags small Marshmallows

8-10 Hams boneless 10lbs

2-bags Brown Sugar

60 lbs. Potatoes

1 gal. Milk

4 No. 10 cans of Green Beans

6-tubs Whipped Topping

4-No. cans of Corn

Desserts

4 No. 10 cans of Sweet Potatoes

**Need food at CACH by**

24 boxes of Stuffing Mix

**Monday, November 11th for Thanksgiving  
or**

8 cans Chicken Bullion

**Monday, December 9th for Christmas**

10 lbs stick Margarine

## Christmas Gifts



socks, gloves, caps, personal items, candy

25 men's / 50 women's



50 children age 1 to 10 / 50 youth age 11 to 16

Please have a tag on outside of gift bag or box identifying if it is for a  
girl or boy or woman or man

## Annual Paper Drive Winner

It is my privilege to announce the winner in the annual paper drive competition. Our generous congregations and friends have provided paper products for many years. These drives have saved the Center approximately \$50,000.00 in paper goods. We would need to take monies from our food and supply budgets to buy plates, bowls, sporks, cups, and towels. etc. Because of the generous donations to the Paper Drive, along with the Faithful 50 members, and the individual gifts of funds, food and thrift store items we have ended up in the black for the last 7 years.

The winner of the Paper Drive for 2019 are our clients, friends, and neighbors who depend on the Center for assistance.

A good example is William who comes early in the morning to get a roll and some coffee. He later buys a clean shirt and takes a shower using our shower kits with soap, shampoo, towel, and a pair of Bombas socks, donated from their companies' (buy one/ donate one) program.

William also eats a warm lunch and benefits from everything you donate to Central Avenue Center of Hope.

Thank you for your gift, time and money to help us serve others. Kerry

Oh, I almost forgot.

**The congregational winner for 2019 is Excelsior Springs**

Midlands Mission Center  
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**Upcoming Events:**

**Thanksgiving Meal November 28th & Christmas Store and Meal December 20th**

**Items Needed:**

Kitchen: juice, koolaid mix, lemonade

Pantry: spaghetti sauce, side dishes, cake mixes, oatmeal

Homeless: items for winter, hotel shampoos

Thrift Store: men's T-shirts, winter shoes, any items welcome

Our Bombas socks shipment has arrived.  
2,500 pairs of socks. We plan to use them  
for Christmas, shower kits, homeless bags  
& school supplies. Thank you Bombas!

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