



Community Help Mission	January 2014	Edition 5, Volume 1
------------------------	--------------	---------------------

<b>Content</b>	<b>Assistance Provided - 2013</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Messages from the Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number in Household - 240 Adults/143 Children</li> <li>• Monies Distributed CHM - \$ 14,984.81</li> <li>• Monies Distributed Salvation Army \$ 2,077.01</li> </ul>	

FROM THE DESK OF DIANE . . . .

"Tis the Season for compiling our 2013 Annual Report. As I have worked with CHM on a day-to-day basis, I am always impressed with the work done by our staff and our Board. Then, as I see the Highlights of Accomplishments on page 7, and consider the whole list all in one place . . . I am dazzled by what all of you did! All praise and glory to God for His leadership. It is God who shines His light on the path we are following. CHM is truly ordained.

This brings into focus concerns about our world. Christians being slaughtered in the Middle East because of their faith. Atheists winning a lawsuit to take down the WWII Memorial cross at Mt. Soledad in California. Satan worshipers winning a suit to install an animated, interactive monument to Satan adjacent to a stone rendering of The Ten Commandments in a public area in Colorado. Texas and Oklahoma actually passing laws to allow school children to say "Merry Christmas" without being suspended from school. The war on Christianity is very real.

Originally, in our paperwork, documents, thank you letters, etc., we have identified ourselves as a faith based organization, ministering by deed but not by Word. We are "a religious organization, but we do not attempt to advance religious purposes." This is the language that allows us to be tax exempt under IRS rules, and the language that makes us worthy of consideration for most grant sources.

Nevertheless, in compiling material for the Annual Report, I notice that in recent months more and more specifically Christian language has appeared on our paperwork. (I say that as if it happened by magic. Well, shucks. I did it. It is where God led me.)

Matthew 22:21: "Render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's, and unto God that which is God's." I give to God all praise and glory for his leadership in our progress, and I pray that He will continue to light our path. I give to the IRS our promise that we will not use CHM to directly engage our clients in religious activity of any kind, that we will not discriminate against any client who is non-Christian, and we will not use our name or reputation to influence any legislation or political election. There ya go, Caesar.

With that . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Diane Geiselman, Program Director

WHIFFS FROM THE KITCHEN . . . .

The Bake It-Take It Christmas Cookie Workshop was a hit! Attendance was a bit compromised by terrible weather, but those intrepid women who made it to the kitchen had a great time. They made and decorated shortbread cut out cookies to take home. They also made undecorated cookies, which they took home with frosting supplies to decorate with their children after school. They also took home cookie cutters for future use.

The next adventure will be preparation of an entree, salad and dessert from our Food Stamp Friendly Cookbook. Participates will share the lunch together. It is our hope that we will attract a core group of participants, and that these participants will become something of a peer support group for women struggling with a variety of issues associated with poverty.

Patty Hunter, Cooking Coach

TREASURER'S REPORT

We are entering 2014 with a \$ 4,036 carry over. The high point of our fundraising is spring and summer. We do have a grant request pending with The Walmart Foundation, and a grant request will be submitted to The American Electric Power Foundation in January. I'm told these two foundations are among the 50 largest grant makers in the United States. We are praying that they look favorably on our project.

Karen McClure, CHM Treasurer

SALVATION ARMY RED KETTLE CAMPAIGN

We finished our first year with this project not knowing what to expect, but are very pleased with our communities gifts from the heart (see listing below). We were honored to have had volunteers for bell ringing at the IGA location from Church of the Nazarene, Loudonville United Methodist Church, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Loudonville First Baptist Church, New Hope Community Church, Perrysville Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, Trinity Community Church and Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church. In the remainder of locations we placed a small table top red kettle. In the last two entries we have amounts collected during the Loudonville Christmas parade and donations received in the mail. As you can see our total came to \$ 3,283.47.

Location	Amount
Stake's IGA	\$ 2,212.28
Belly Busters 206 W. Main St., Loudonville	\$ 5.34
Danner's 202 W. Main St. Loudonville	\$ 6.32
Eagles 140 W. Main St. Loudonville	\$ 3.43
Farmers and Savings 120 N. Water St. Loudonville	\$ 33.00
Farmers and Savings 112 N. Bridge St. Perrysville	\$ 46.70
Legion 131 S. Water St. Loudonville	\$ 20.44
Stakes Shortstop 3052 State Route 3 Loudonville	\$ 80.00
The Cove Restaurant Perrysville	\$ 4.40
Downtown Christmas Parade	\$ 26.69
Mail	\$ 844.87
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,283.47</b>

Our thanks go to Pastor Pat in her advisory role and Patti Swainhart for looking over the Perrysville locations. Wishing you all the best in 2014  
Karen Motz, Salvation Army Kettle Coordinator  
Janice Taylor, Salvation Army Treasurer