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Offering hope for the future by providing hospitality, food, safe shelter, and education - tools for life.
We strive to make certain that all who enter feel the love of Jesus.



October 2018
A Message From Our Executive Director

Last month I was blessed to attend the Global Leadership Summit. It was amazing to be around other leaders whose goal are to empower, encourage, and lead from servanthood. There were more gold nuggets than I could ever share with you in this small space of a monthly email but there are a few notions that I cannot NOT share. The mission of Lazarus House is to offer hope and a future for those guests we serve; that everyone who enters can feel Jesus through this work. For 21 years, that idea has taken a lot of vision by a lot of dedicated individuals who had the heart to care and do.

Bishop T.D. Jakes spoke on vision at the conference.

“A vision should be a little bit annoying. You need a vision that is achievable but not believable. It’s got to be bigger than you. Look at the ant. The piece of bread is way too big for the ant to carry, but when he starts, a team comes along side to carry it with him. If you don’t believe in anything crazy it won’t push you to reach something crazy. Have a vision that goes beyond your provision. You need to think something that scares you, something you can’t pay for. Dream something so amazing that it gets you out of your comfort zone and it scares you to death. When you are petrified, you’re also electrified. The greatest things that have happened in our country happened by people who did not have enough but thought deep enough.” 

We are still dreaming small but visioning big and are often quite petrified! This month we celebrate that our guests do not have to carry the piece of bread alone.

Empowered servant leaders who want to encourage others, come along side to carry it with them. Thank you Lazarus House team for your big ‘ol hearts to care and for having vision beyond provision.

In love and grace,

Leanne Deister-Goodwin

The Lazarus House Open is a wrap!

2018 Golf Committee members, Kevin O’Kasick, Matt Fazio, Peter Fazio, and John Michalak, want to thank everyone who

sponsored, golfed, donated, volunteered or purchased raffle tickets for our very first outing on September 14th.

Raffle Basket Winners

- Sports #1-Santo Lee
- Sports #2-Ed Voelkner
- Golf-Paul Jones
- On the Town- Jon Quirin

Golf Prizes

- Low Net-Tom Kupetis
- Low Gross-Rob Michalak
- Closest to the Pin- Tim Sweeney
- Longest Putt-Tim Sweeney
- Straight Drive-Bob Adams



Holiday Events



Annual Community Thanksgiving Feast
Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 22, 2018
Noon - 2:00 pm, Doors open at 11:30
Salvation Army Tri-City Corps
1710 S. 7th Ave, St. Charles

Annual Community Christmas Brunch
Christmas Day - Tuesday, December 25, 2018



Noon - 2:00 pm, Doors open at 11:30

214 Walnut Street, St. Charles

All community members are invited to join us as we celebrate the holidays. Come share in delicious food, delightful entertainment and wonderful fellowship!

Interested in helping with these celebrations? Plans are currently underway for volunteering as well as food and supply donations! WE couldn't do it without you!

Check our [website](#) for more details.



Holiday Sharing

Holiday gift giving is another part of our celebrations at Lazarus House. We are blessed each year by those who share in the holiday spirit by giving a present as part of our Gift Tag Program. These gifts are for our guests in the Emergency Shelter, Center for Transitional Living and Outreach Programs.

Additionally, you can make a special monetary gift to Lazarus House in honor of someone special or donate as a memorial to a loved one. For more information on the gift tag program, please contact Anne at volunteer@lazarushouse.net.

Save the Date
4th annual Gala

“Unmasking the Face of Homelessness” 2019

Phantom of the Opera

January 26, 2019
Q Center in St. Charles.



All we ask of you is to join us for the music of the night. Enjoy social hour, auctions, mystery wine, entertainment by "Diva Montel" and dancing with the "Rat Pack Jazz." All proceeds will benefit Lazarus House! We are currently seeking sponsorships and donations. Please contact Darlene at DarleneR@lazarushouse.net or call 630-587-2144. Tickets are [available online](#) now.

Share our number. We want to help.

If you know someone connected to our [service area](#) who needs a place to stay, encourage them to call us at 630-587-2144 about our shelter services. If it's rent or utility help they need, have them call 630-587-5872 for a confidential appointment to see if they qualify for assistance. Our grants help low-income persons in Kane

County who struggle to make ends meet.

Pass out our number. We are here to help!

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