

COMMUNITY HARVEST, INC

Providing a Unique Solution to Hunger Relief Since 1989

TOP 10 REASONS TO SIGN-UP FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL HARVEST MOON RUN BEFORE AUGUST 2ND:

1. Register for Early Bird Registration and save some money. Regardless of when you register, 100% of the proceeds will benefit Community Harvest.
2. Even if you are not a runner, you can walk the 5k or take the 1 mile trail and enjoy the view – Varian Orchards is breathtaking in October.
3. We've got one of the coolest long-sleeved logo t-shirts in town!
4. A chaperoned play area and FREE kids' ½ mile run for children under 6 make the event fun for the ENTIRE family.
5. If you can't show-up on the day of the event, no sweat – Your entrance fee will benefit Community Harvest and becomes a 100% tax deductible donation.
6. Some races offer water, bananas and health bars, and we'll have that! We also have delicious HOT food from Hide-A-Way Buffalo Grill, apple cider and beer!
7. Nostalgic bonfires by the lake will make it a night to remember and an event you will NEVER FORGET!
8. Your single Early Bird Registration Fee of only \$25 will help us feed 200 people!
9. 2012 was our first run, and people thought it was FANTASTIC. Now that we've implemented some suggestions received, we know 2013 will be even better!
10. Don't be "too chicken" to register for Early Bird Registration – The first 200 participants to register on-line will receive a free chicken sandwich MEAL from one of our major sponsors, Chick-fil-a.

Upon reaching our 200th on-line registration, all 200 FREE chicken sandwich meals (\$6.00 value) will be mailed to the addresses entered during the registration process. Regardless of the number of people in a household, each \$25 registered participant at that address will receive a free chicken sandwich meal.



2nd Annual Harvest Moon Run Saturday, October 5th at 5:00 pm

**MOON
RUN 5K
SAT. OCT
5TH
2013**

**2013 Registration
for Runners & Walkers:**
Register on-line at www.runtoyouracing.com

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
ONLY \$25 from**

February 1st – August 1st
\$30 - August 2nd – September 28th
\$35 - September 29th until Race Day

Race Day Registration will **ONLY** be
available at Varian Orchards
from 3:00 to 4:15

Nearly 500 runners joined us last year for our inaugural Harvest Moon Run at Varian Orchards, a unique event designed to promote healthy lifestyles while bringing families together. We are expecting our 2nd Annual Harvest Moon Run to be even better! Participants can expect another true 5k cross country run/walk through woods and over rolling hills. A scenic 5k and 1 mile trail walk will be offered again for those seeking an enjoyable stroll through fall foliage.

Runners and walkers will receive a Harvest Moon Run long-sleeved logo t-shirt and a post race food/drink entrance bracelet for the after race party, which will include bonfires, hot and cold apple cider, beer, and delicious food from Hide-A-Way Buffalo Grill.

In-Kind Donations and monetary sponsorships are still available at four different levels ranging from \$250 to \$3000. Please contact the Community Harvest office at 330-493-0800 for more information.



Connect With Community Harvest

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Canton, OH 44718

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A GLANCE AT OUR NEW PRESIDENT



Christina Furney
President

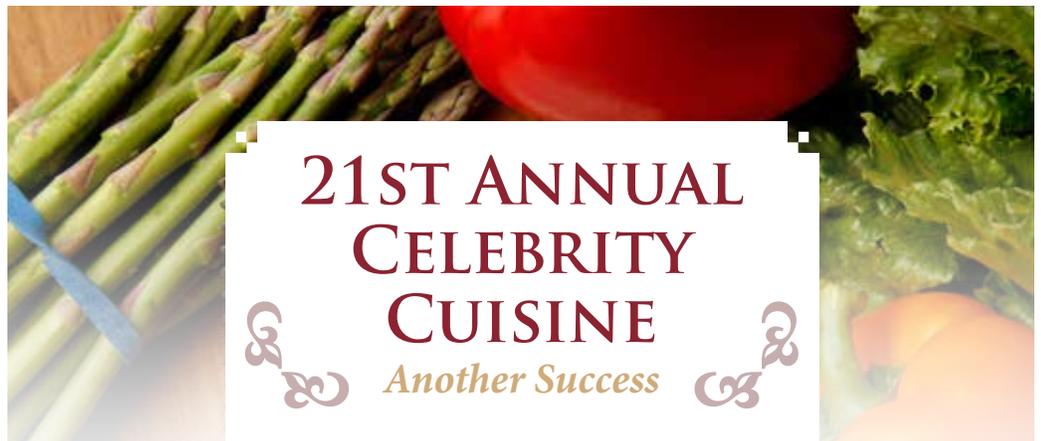
Christina Furney discovered her passion for Community Harvest several years ago by volunteering to help at Celebrity Cuisine, hosted by the Tri-County Restaurant Association.

It was this event that truly made her realize what a wonderful organization Community Harvest was, and she knew she wanted to become more involved. So when the Executive Director, Faith Barbato, approached her to join the Board of Directors, she was enthusiastic and willing to jump right in.

While serving on the board she has been a very instrumental part of the positive direction Community Harvest has gone. She started as a member of the board, but was quickly nominated to serve as Vice President. She actively serves on other area boards and non-profits and encourages them to become involved with Community Harvest either monetarily and/or by volunteering.

Christina has always been a big proponent in promoting involvement within her community. Because of her enthusiasm and presence within the community, this has made her a great asset to Community Harvest. Throughout the years she has demonstrated strong leadership skills, goes above and beyond, and has a proven track record of successfully bringing people together and accomplishing great things! As incoming President, we are confident that Christina will do a great job and we are looking forward to the next two years!

Welcome Christina!



21ST ANNUAL CELEBRITY CUISINE

Another Success

Celebrity Cuisine, which has become known as the “premier happy hour of the season” for food enthusiasts in Stark County, was held for the 21st year in a row by the Tri-County Restaurant Association to benefit Community Harvest on April 23, 2013. The additional seating, improvements in traffic flow, and variety offered by the 46 participating food and beverage participants made it one of the most talked about successes to date. Attendees enjoyed unlimited access to appetizers, entrée samples, beer, wine and desserts while listening to live music and bidding on our silent auction. Our silent auction reached a record high as well, bringing in some much needed revenue as we face the busy summer months ahead.

Celebrity Cuisine would not be possible without the many months of planning orchestrated by the Tri-County Restaurant Association, the generous restaurant participants, celebrity chefs, sponsors, and nearly one hundred volunteers who work so hard to make this event a success.

Save the Date
*22nd Annual
Celebrity Cuisine
Tuesday,
April 29th, 2014*

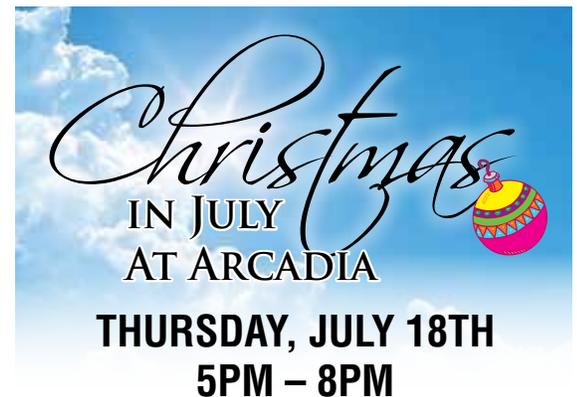
Each of the food and beverage participants donate a tremendous amount of time, enough staff to prepare and serve the food, and the entire cost of the food they choose to donate. Please join us in expressing our appreciation by treating yourself to a nice meal or ordering take-out from one of these amazing vendors soon.

2013-2014 EXECUTIVE BOARD

The following board members were nominated for positions on the 2013-2014 Executive Board and each has graciously accepted:

Christina Furney, *President*
Brian Abbey, *Vice President*
Kathy Krohn, *Treasurer*
Daniel Kane, *Secretary*

We would like to recognize Leadership Stark County again for the great work they do in the community to foster leadership development in young professionals and for inviting Community Harvest to participate in the Signature Class “board matching process.” Brian Abbey joined Community Harvest in 2011 after taking part in this experience, followed a year later by Daniel Kane. Both board members quickly took on additional leadership opportunities within the organization, proving the effectiveness of LSC “speed dating-type match-up.”



**THURSDAY, JULY 18TH
5PM – 8PM**

Maria Byington is again opening her doors at Arcadia Grill in downtown Canton for her 13th year in a row this July to help local non-profits make a positive difference. Please join Community Harvest at Arcadia Grill on Thursday, July 18th for another exciting guest bartending night to include Cornhole, a 50/50 drawing, auctions, and prizes.

All proceeds from this event will specifically benefit summer feeding programs in Stark County who benefit tremendously from healthy, nutritious food delivered straight to their door at no cost.

COMMUNITY HARVEST ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER



**Thursday, June 27th at Varian Orchards
6344 Orchardview Drive SE; East Canton, OH 44730**

The Community Harvest mission would not be possible without the numerous volunteers, food donors, participating sites, and caring contributors who provide valuable resources and much appreciated services to our program. As an effort to express our appreciation, the Community Harvest Staff and Board of Directors host an Annual Appreciation Dinner each June. Our 2013 annual appreciation dinner is a steak fry to be held on Thursday, June 27th from 5:30 – 9:00 pm at Varian Orchards in East Canton.

Attendees will have an opportunity to enjoy a trolley ride throughout the scenic orchards, play cornhole, and enjoy a delicious steak dinner with baked potato, salad, dessert and assorted beverages including beer,

wine, water, and lemonade for one low ticket price of only \$15.00/person. Tickets for children aged 5-12 are only \$8.00. Please call the Community Harvest office at 330-493-0800 for more ticket information. We expect seating for the event to go very quickly.

Special awards will be presented to key supporters during our 2012-2013 year, which will include business of the year, foundation of the year, and youth hunger fighter of the year. We will also acknowledge the recipient of the Deloris Cope Humanitarian Award, a distinguished award presented to a community leader or business who has demonstrated exemplary social service to the community and dedication to reducing hunger in Stark County.

Childhood Hunger During the Summer



Each year, the United States Department of Agriculture releases a report regarding food insecurity in our nation in addition to this impact on children. Nearly one in five children under the age of 18 in the state of Ohio are experiencing food insecurity. Unfortunately, the negative impact of hunger is often compounded in the summer months when children are out of school.

Hunger is one of the most severe roadblocks to the learning process. According to the USDA, lack of nutrition during the summer months may set up a cycle for poor performance once school begins again. Hunger also may make children more prone to illness and other health issues.



Community Harvest is proud to support several summer feeding programs who are working hard to ensure that more children and their families have access to free, nutritious food during the summer months.

Share Your Harvest



Since 2011, Community Harvest has been part of the AmpleHarvest.org campaign, a nationwide effort designed to quickly and easily pair local backyard gardeners and community gardens with food rescue programs and pantries. As a result of this partnership, Community Harvest received and delivered roughly 20,000 pounds of fresh produce over the past three years.

Several local churches, civic groups and congregations have joined our efforts by planting extra rows and entire community gardens to benefit Community Harvest.

Please consider donating your surplus produce to Community Harvest this year, enabling us to provide the much needed, nutritious food our participating sites desperately need in the summer.

THERE ARE TWO WAYS YOU CAN JOIN OUR “SUMMERTIME EFFORTS” TO HELP CHILDREN IN STARK COUNTY:

**“Christmas in July” at Arcadia
Thursday, July 18th • 5:00 pm - 8:00pm**

Share Your Harvest

See details for these programs in this edition of The Harvester Newsletter!

 The
HARVESTER
Summer 2013
NEWSLETTER

Stark County Medical Society

12th Annual Golf Outing

to Benefit Community Harvest • Wednesday, September 18, 2013

Skyland Pines Golf Course • 3550 Columbus Road NE • Canton, OH 44705

11 AM	Driving Range
12:00 Noon	Lunch
1:00 PM	Shot Gun Start
6:30 PM	Dinner

18 Holes with Cart • Lunch before Shot Gun Start
Steak, Scrod, Lemon Chicken or Vegetarian Dinner

\$100/Golfer • \$375/Foursome

PRIZES AWARDED TO

1st Place Team • 2nd Place Team • Last Place Team

*Hole Sponsorships
Available*

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Contact Faith Barbato at 330-493-0800 or faithbarbato@sbcglobal.net for more information