

## The Lighthouse Beacon

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## The Lighthouse Shelter homeless MISSION is "7 years old"

Since our opening we have served over **2,800** men, women and children

70% from Williamson County 25% - Neighboring counties 5% - Transients

A young female obtained employment and housing. Today she is planning on going back to school.

A married couple, who lost their home, both obtained employment and housing.

A young female with a toddler came to us from a domestic violence situation. She found employment and housing.

A young man who had a bad marital situation found housing and employment at a local factory. He is now able to visit with his son at his own home.

A female lost her home due to insufficient income. She obtained affordable housing in the public housing sector.

A single man had no income and was unable to work. He obtained his Social Security disability benefits and an apartment.

A mother with two school-aged daughters came in need of emergency shelter until they could be approved for public housing, which they obtained.

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these my brethren, you did for me'. Matthew 25:40

TO GOD BE THE GLORY !!!

## REMEMBER THE LIGHTHOUSE

"Remember The Lighthouse" reflects memorial bequests made for a loved one. You may also choose to honor someone who has touched your life by their legacy or simply a special occasion you would like to share.



**IN MEMORY** of: *Ann Stein* from Cecil and Sharon Atchison and Ivan and Wanda Zwick

Hazel Shoemaker from John and Judy Grisley

Juanita Andrew from John and Judy Grisley

John" Jack." Coulson from John and Judy Grisley

James DeWitt from Diana Howerton

Evelyn Goldsmith from Ivan and Wanda Zwick

IN HONOR of: Paul and Linda Marlo from Ron and Sally Campbell

Robert Goldsmith from John and Rosemary Reginaldi

Ron and Sally Campbell from Paul and Linda Marlo.



Thanks to the area business as well as the churches and individuals who give monthly to fund the Lighthouse mission. The involvement of the community is essential to our ongoing success.









Top (LtoR) Representatives of the Elk's Chili cookoff, Daughters of Isabella and US Bank.

Below (L to R) Southern Illinois Worship Center and Orkin all presented monetary donations to representatives of The Lighthouse Shelter.

With our 501(c)3 status, all donations are tax deductable.



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The Blue Thong Club and lake neighbors held a 5 K Run at the Lake of Egypt . Tennis shoes for the residents was the fee to run.



Shelter volunteers Myra and Kurt hold a wrapped donation of gloves and scarves that Kerlin's Hallmark, Carbondale customers purchased for the shelter residents.



States Attorney office employees, Wendy Cunningham and Jerri Adams delivered food from a "decorate your door" fundraiser they did at the courthouse.



Carterville First Baptist Church youth group had a missions day at the shelter.



Church without Walls brought gifts for the residents and shared a sermon with them.



Eagle House Ministries home school students from Vienna provided lunch and a program.







The seven children and twenty seven adults really enjoyed and were very appreciative of their unexpected gifts from Santa (Gary Woods) and his helper, Michael Tullis on Christmas morning provided by Hucks, Marion Elk's, Aisin, Abundant Life Assembly and Southern Illinois Worship Center.

Bill Lowe, family and friends cooked Christmas lunch and Saratoga Church provided Christmas dinner.





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Save the date.....

Saturday, May 17th

Candy Christmas Concert

plus....

"One Voice Trio" and MC, Emily Eddington Silent Auction and Concession

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