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MEMBER CHURCHES

Beulah Presbyterian
Cedar Creek Baptist
Fairmount Baptist
Fern Creek Baptist
Fern Creek Christian
Fern Creek United Methodist
Good Shepherd
Highview Baptist
Louisville Chinese Christian
New Vision Ministry Center
St. Alban's Episcopal
St. Bernard Catholic
St. Gabriel Catholic
St. Stephen C.E.C.
St. Stephen Lutheran
Seaton Park Baptist
Solid Rock Church of God
Summit Heights United Methodist
Trinity World Outreach Center
and the
Fern Creek/Highview Ministerial
Association

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FCHUM.ORG

Ron's Ramblings: execdir@fchum.org

Season's Greetings! Writing just before Thanksgiving reminds me that we, as a religious community and as a secular society, are entering into a season that provides us opportunity for celebration and service. Too often the secular drives and demands of the season overshadow and blind us to the sacredness of this time. Thanksgiving provides us opportunity to pause with family and friends to thank God for the blessings we enjoy. Too often this day is lost between the commercialism of Halloween and Christmas. I give thanks for the many who have, through their service and generosity, helped FCHUM provide food baskets so families caught in a crisis might have a meal. I celebrate the joy that will come to hundreds of children and families who would have been without gifts this Christmas except for your generosity and service. The Christmas themes of hope, peace, joy and love don't have to be sacrificed to societal pressures and unrealistic expectations. I hope remembering that the Christ event came through the birth of Jesus to refugee parents in a land occupied by an oppressive foreign army, in a time of religious and societal turmoil, helps us to remember that God Emmanuel is in our midst at all times and if we but open our hearts we can experience that hope, peace, joy and love anew.

God's Peace & Blessings,
Rev. Ron Loughry, Executive Director

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**HIGHVIEW HOLIDAY FEST – Friday December 7th,
6-8 pm at Central Government Building, Outer Loop
Music, Carriage Rides, Santa, Refreshments, Louisville Fire
Football Mascot & Cheerleaders**

**LIGHT UP FERN CREEK- Saturday December 8th,
4-6 pm at Fern Creek Fire Station #1, Bardstown Rd.
Music, Santa & Mrs. Claus, Taste of F.C., Tree Decorating
Contest, Santa's Basket, Louisville Fire Football Mascot &
Cheerleaders, FCHUM Benefit Concert @6:30 pm at
Trinity World Outreach Center on Seatonville Rd.**

Fern Creek/ Highview United Ministries Programs

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY ASSISTANCE CENTER -

*Renee Bryant, MSW,
Director*

As you read this our Holiday Cheer program is in full swing. Thank you to all who are providing Thanksgiving food baskets and to all those who are adopting families at Christmas!

If you have not registered to provide assistance to a specific family there is still time and means to lend a hand. Each year we have families not adopted who come and visit our "Santa Shoppe". We can still use donations of toys and personal items. Just call our office for suggestions and guidelines.

And there is never a season that food is not needed. We have been assisting record numbers of people. With what the winter holds for heating, food, and fuel costs we know many more families will be pushed over the edge into financial crisis in the months ahead.

Please call Renee or Michele at 762-0630 or e-mail at ifacdir@fchum.org

HEALTH EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM (HELP)

For more information call 239-7431. Thanks to Fern Creek Space Center for donating a storage unit.

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

A court ordered program for all couples with children under 18 undergoing divorce designed to enhance parents' sensitivity to the special needs of their children. Sessions take place at Summit Heights United Methodist Church. For more information call Renee Bryant, 762-0630.

BANKS OPEN FOR FOOD & TOY DEPOSITS

At a recent community meeting, the banks of the Fern Creek/Highview area committed to placing boxes in each of their local branches for collection of food and toys to assist FCHUM in serving the people of our community. As you go about your personal banking remember this opportunity to help!

Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries is a not-for-profit 501 C 3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. IFAC is funded in part by Louisville/Jefferson County Metro government. The ADC is funded in part under a contract with KIPDA and the Commonwealth of Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services with funds from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, and with funds from Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government.

ADULT DAY HEALTH CENTER -

Rev. Ron Loughry, Director

The Adult Day Center recently celebrated its 17th anniversary. It was a beautiful day and Fr. Bob of St. Bernard's helped with the blessing that day. It was an emotional afternoon of reflecting upon St. Bernard's generosity in providing the use of their facilities since the ADC opened in 1990 and looking ahead to moving to our new facility early in 2008. Hundreds of lives have been touched for good through the services provided at the ADC. Recently I made a call to a family who had been on our waiting list. I could hear the tears in her voice as she told me their loved one had died just a week earlier. Once we move into the new building we will be able to increase the number of people we care for on a daily basis, reaching out to those waiting and needing our help.

Thank you to all the wonderful people who support the ADC through volunteering and contributions.

To visit or volunteer just call Ron at 239-7431 or e-mail at execdir@fchum.org

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Fern Creek Highview United Ministries Staff

LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT FUNDING SUPPORT

The lunches provided at our Adult Day Center are made possible through the Metro Nutrition Program.

The Individual & Family Assistance Center receives \$25,000 from the Metro government budget.

Our Building To Serve campaign has submitted a request for \$25,000 from Metro's Capital Funds.

A great thanks to Metro Council people **James Peden, Stuart Benson, and Robin Engel** in their support of our programs. Also thanks to Councilman **Kevin Kramer** for a pledge of \$10,000 toward our Building To Serve campaign. At a recent fund-raising event for his own campaign, **Councilman Engel** declared that if those present had to make a choice in writing checks, he would prefer they support FCHUM's Building To Serve Campaign. That marks the difference between a politician and a public servant. **Thanks Robin!**

LOOKING FOR THAT EXTRA CHRISTMAS GIFT – COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE.

Almost 500 recipes in an attractive hardback, 3 ring vinyl binder. Just \$10 each!

The best recipes from all the best church cooks!

Great gift ideas for birthdays, weddings, graduations, housewarmings, and collectors!

While they last receive a free U.S. Capital Cookies Recipe book with each purchase.

MONTHLY CHICKEN DINNERS

First Sunday Chicken Dinners: 12:30-5:00 pm at St. Ignatius on Rangeland Rd.

The EAGLES AC have changed their name, now called Innominate Charities, Inc. but it is the same great chicken. Remember, each year they give the Adult Day Center a very generous grant! See you there!

G. E. MATCHING FUNDS

Calling all G.E. employees, retirees, and families! If you qualify for this program your dollars can be doubled! Your donation of \$25 or more will be matched by G.E. You must call 1-800-305-0669 or go to www.gefoundation.com and click on "matching gift program" and follow prompts to register.

Help us contact other G.E. people and enlarge our G.E. Circle of Friends. Think of all the folks in our area who have connections to G.E. Especially as we build our new FACILITY this could make a tremendous difference

Last fiscal year FCHUM received \$19,490 in matching funds from G.E. !

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP: Respond to Wish Lists...Use our **Thornton** Fund Cards, **Kroger** Gift Cards. Designate donations to **Goodwill** to benefit our IFAC office...Designate FCHUM in **Wills, Bequests, and Memorials...G.E. Employees** participate in our Matching Funds program...Recycle computer ink cartridges...Support and Attend special events like our Annual GALA, picnics, festivals, and benefit concerts.**Volunteer!** And most importantly,keep Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries in your prayers! **For more information call our office 239-7407 or visit our website, www.fchum.org**



Throughout the year, Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries helps families who are in crisis. For many of these individuals who are struggling to provide the basic necessities of life, the holidays can be particularly stressful.

In order to help families in our community, Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries will once again be conducting our

Holiday Cheer Program 2007.

We need families, groups, or organizations that are willing to adopt a family and/or sponsor food baskets! Please contact Renee at 762-0630, the Individual & Family Assistance Center office as soon as possible if you can assist with this ministry.

Holiday Meal Items

Stuffing Mix
1-10 lb. bag of potatoes
1-3 lb. bag of onions
2 cans of cranberry sauce
1 package of dinner rolls
3 to 5 cans of green vegetables
3 to 5 cans of mixed vegetables
1 to 2 cans of pie filling
1 bag of flour and 1 bag of sugar

\$15-\$20 gift certificate to buy
meat/perishable items

Suggested Christmas Buying Guidelines

A. 1 to 2 outfits per child
(not to exceed two)
Example: 1 pair of jeans
(jeans, etc. or skirt)
1 shirt or sweater
socks and undergarments

Please note if a child has a
special need!

B. 1 to 2 age appropriate gifts per
child

C. (Optional) a gift for parent

Due to space restrictions at our office all items must be delivered to Fern Creek Baptist Church Gym at 5920 Bardstown Rd. on December 12th for Christmas! Someone will be there between 9am -5pm to accept all deliveries.

It is extremely important that all items be delivered on the appropriate day!

FERN CREEK/HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES

In conjunction with the 2007 9th annual

LIGHT UP FERN CREEK

LOVE LIGHT TREE



Once again Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries offers the opportunity for Holiday **Love Light** Dedications.

For a \$5.00 donation, **LOVE LIGHTS** are a unique way to honor a friend, teacher, pastor, or family member.

LOVE LIGHTS can also be dedicated in memory of some special person.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

239-7407 or e-mail adm@fchum.org

FERN CREEK/HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES HOLIDAY LOVELIGHT DEDICATIONS

In conjunction with *LIGHT UP FERN CREEK*, the Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries is now preparing to launch its campaign for the “**LOVE LIGHT TREE.**”

For a \$5.00 donation, **LOVE LIGHTS** are a unique way to honor a friend, teacher, pastor, or family member. Lights can also be dedicated in memory of some special person. A card will be sent to the individual or the family of the individual to inform them that a **LOVE LIGHT** has been dedicated in their name.

FC/HUM encourages everyone to begin making lists for “**LOVE LIGHTS.**” Donations can be sent by mail, to at FC/HUM’s Adult Day Center & Central Office (on St. Bernard’s property), or to the Individual & Family Assistance Center (in Fern Creek Community Center). If ordering by mail, send a check made payable to FC/HUM, Love Lights, 7502 Tangelo Drive, Louisville, KY 40228. Enclosed with the check should be the name of the person for whom the light is dedicated as well as the name and address to whom the honor or memory (please indicate which) card should be sent. Donations for **LOVE LIGHTS** will be accepted through November and December. However, for names of those honored or memorialized to be printed in the *LIGHT UP FERN CREEK* program that will be available at the ceremonies on Saturday, December 8th, 4:30-6:00 pm, they must be received by 5:00 pm, Friday, December 2nd. These programs will be given to those attending the ceremonies. The **LOVE LIGHT TREE** will be located in front of the Fern Creek Community Center on Bardstown Road. The names of those honored and memorialized will also be printed in our New Year’s Newsletter and posted on our website.

Proceeds from the **LOVE LIGHT TREE** will be used by Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries as it serves the frail elderly, those in need of medical equipment, youth, and those in our community who find themselves in an emergency or crisis situation needing assistance. FC/HUM with the support of its member churches, civic and community groups, government grants, and private donations provides these services through its Adult Day Center, H.E.L.P. and the Individual & Family Assistance Center. For more information on the Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries or the **LOVE LIGHT TREE** please call 239-7407. FC/HUM thanks everyone for their generosity in lighting up the 2007 **LOVE LIGHT TREE.**

\$5.00 per person

LOVE LIGHT FORM

\$5.00 per person

Mail this form to

FERN CREEK/HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES

7502 Tangelo Drive, Louisville, KY 40228

Please dedicate _____ LOVE LIGHTS in the name of: _____

() In Honor

() In Memory (if more than one person please list on separate sheet of paper)

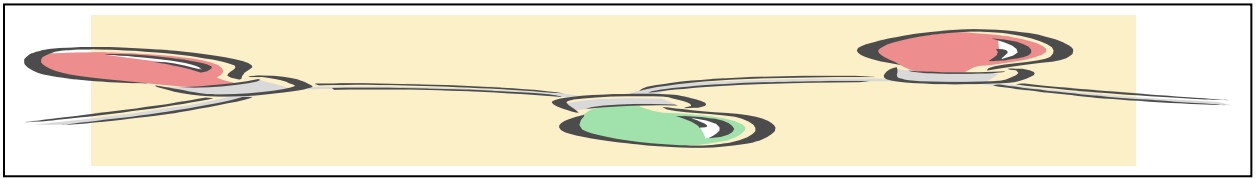
Send card to:

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zipcode: _____

On the card, designate it is from: _____

My name and address is: _____



LIGHT UP FERN CREEK 2007

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th

ACTIVITIES OF THE DAY 4-6 PM

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING CONTEST

(SPONSORED BY WAL-MART & LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS)

BUSINESS LIGHT UP CHALLENGE

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION SHOWCASE

Louisville Fire Football Mascot & Cheerleaders

TASTE OF FERN CREEK RECEPTION

(SAMPLE FOODS PROVIDED BY AREA RESTAURANTS & ORGANIZATIONS)

VISITS WITH SANTA & MRS. CLAUS

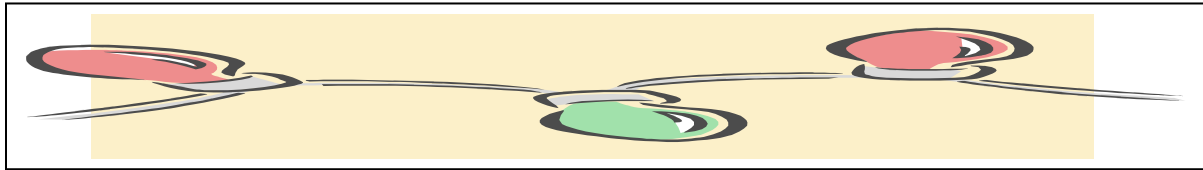
(ARRIVAL VIA FIRE TRUCK)

SANTA'S BASKET

(FOOD COLLECTION TO HELP SANTA & FC/HUM FEED THE HUNGRY)

FC/HUM LOVELIGHT TREE COMMUNITY LIGHTING CEREMONY

**6:30 PM BENEFIT CONCERT for FERN CREEK/HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES at
TRINITY WORLD OUTREACH CENTER
(10307 SEATONVILLE Rd.)**



HIGHVIEW HOLIDAY FEST 2007

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 6-8PM

**Central Government Center & Highview Park on
Outer Loop**

***6 IN THE HEART OF HIGHVIEW*7**

CHRISTMAS CAROLING, MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT, & REFRESHMENTS

BUSINESS LIGHT UP CHALLENGE

HIGHVIEW BUSINESS SHOWCASE

CARRIAGE RIDES

VISITS WITH SANTA CLAUS

SANTA'S BASKET

(FOOD COLLECTION TO HELP SANTA & FC/HUM FEED THE HUNGRY)

Louisville Fire Football Mascot & Cheerleaders

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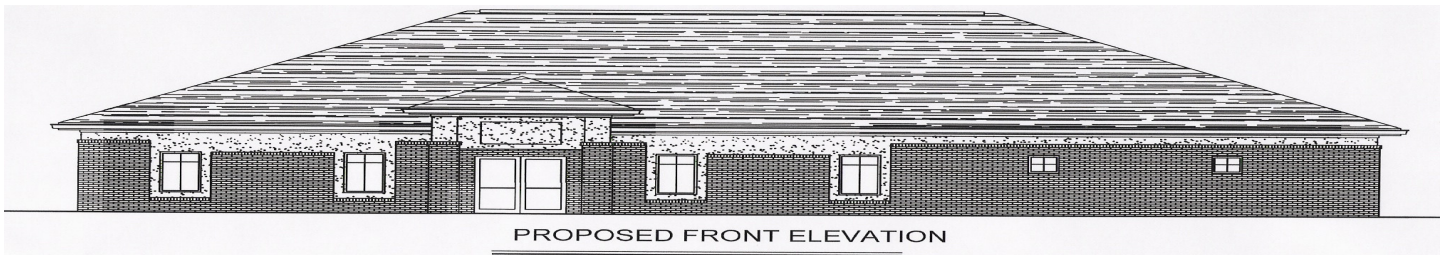
THE HIGHVIEW BUSINESS ASSOCIATION,

COUNCILMAN JAMES PEDEN &

Fern Creek Highview United Ministries

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BUILDING TO SERVE

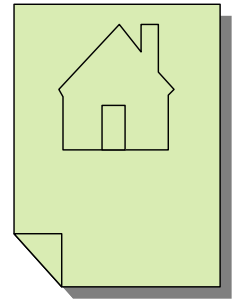


Cost

\$550,000.00 with future development as needed.

Funding

- Capital Campaign to raise **\$450,000.00**
- Over \$300,000 cash donations & seed money received!
- Additional pledges committed
- Over \$125,000.00 in-kind gifts and services already committed
- Church, Civic, Business, Government, and Community Partnerships
- Naming Opportunities available for Food Pantry, Conference Room, Service Areas
- Memory and In Honor Bricks in the near future



The Capital Campaign:

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND-RAISING DINNER:

Thanks to the generosity of **Mike & Tammy Hayes of Hayes Realty**, (they donated \$1,000 to cover the cost of the event) our October Building To Serve Dinner at Wildwood Country Club generated over \$32,000 in donations and pledges!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BUSINESS BREAKFAST: **Passport Advantage** has donated \$1,000 to underwrite this event scheduled for Tuesday December 11th, 7:30 am at Wildwood Country Club.

Contributions may be sent to Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries, "Building to Serve" Capital Campaign, 7502 Tangelo Drive, Louisville, KY 40228. For more information call (502) 239-7407

It must be official! Our new building has the address posted over the front door – 9300 Beulah Church Road. Have you driven past lately? It is under roof, the beautiful brick work is complete and interior work is underway! Big thanks continue to **Bob Beard**, our volunteer Genral Contractor and to **Glenn Hall** for mechanical engineering, and to **Larry Clark** for donating every bit of bulldozing, excavation, and land clearing work imaginable!

Thank you also to our Financial Task Force:

Ed Dries, Cheston Hammonds, Ron Hadorn, Fr. John Stolz, Roger Roalof, & Councilman Robin Engel

CHRISTMAS BENEFIT CONCERT

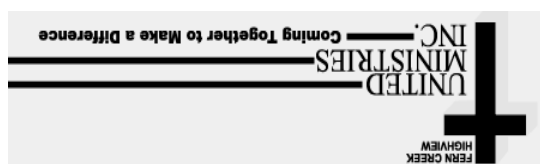
Saturday, December 8th, 6:30 pm. Following Light Up Fern Creek
At Trinity World Outreach Center, 10307 Seatonville Road
Featuring Gospel Group "GLORYBOUND" & children and adult music groups
from area churches.

A LOVE OFFERING WILL BENEFIT
Fern Creek Highview United Ministries

Call 239-7407 or e-mail execdir@fchum.org for more information.

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