

“Table Talk”

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From the Executive Director

Your generous support made 2006 a successful year for The Community Table. We launched new fundraisers, planted a garden, began a Food for Kids program, and continued serving hot-nutritious meals 4 evenings a week. It was a great year at The Community Table; thanks again for making this year successful! You are the reason we are able to continue assisting those in need in our community. Have a great fall and a wonderful holiday season!

Food for Kids

The Food for Kids program successfully launched at Smoky Mountain Elementary thanks to the Food Lion Charitable Foundation, Community Table board members, and other donors and volunteers. Food for Kids is designed to provide child-friendly food during weekends to children who otherwise would go without. Volunteers are needed to sort and transport food throughout the school year, and matching funds are needed to ensure continued operation of this program. The Food Lion Charitable Foundation provides financial support to programs and organizations dedicated to improving the communities in which Food Lion operates. If you are interested in supporting this program financially through in-kind donations or by volunteering your time, please contact Christina Smith at 828-586-6782.

Welcome Mimi Parris

The Community Table welcomed Mimi Parris as Kitchen Manager in early September. Mimi will direct all aspects of Kitchen operation including volunteer training. All of us at The Community Table are excited about Mimi joining our team. Welcome Mimi!

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Christina Smith
Executive Director

Mimi Parris
Kitchen Manager

Community Garden

As the leaves turn, the Community Garden is winding down for the year. The garden provided large amounts of produce to those in the community who have difficulty obtaining produce otherwise. Thanks to everyone who made this project successful!

7th Anniversary Celebration!

The Community Table celebrated its seventh anniversary in August. Thank you to everyone who attended our celebration! And thanks again to everyone who allowed us to reach this milestone.

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The Community Table is a non-profit organization; we rely solely on grants and the generous support of area individuals, businesses, and organizations to continue operation. Please include the form to the left with all monetary donations. Thank you for your support!

All donations are tax-deductible.

Thank You Harrah’s!

The Harrah’s Cherokee Casino and Hotel H.E.R.O. (Harrah’s Employees Reaching Out) program continues to generously support Community Table operation. Thank you H.E.R.O. for providing an excellent prime rib meal for our seven year anniversary celebration. H.E.R.O. continues to provide great meals and meat donations, allowing us to continue serving hot-nutritious meals 4 nights a week.

Blue Plate Special

The Blue Plate Special remained successful throughout the summer. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and or attended these lunches. We wish to extend a special thank you to the restaurants who generously provided food free-of-charge; Chef Alan Berkow, Soul Infusion Tea House and Bistro, Lil’ Harvey’s Ribs & Barbeque, and Lulu’s on Main; thank you again for your generous donations and support to the community. The Blue Plate Special will continue on the last Wednesday of every month. Plan to join us on October 25 from 11a.m.-2 p.m. for a meal prepared by a local chef. Food will be served to the general public for a minimum \$5 donation. We look forward to seeing you!

Happy Holidays!

The Holiday Season is a busy time for The Community Table! We serve more meals during this time of year than any other. Please consider donating your time or making an in-kind donation to help us support the needy throughout this holiday season. Additionally, we need donations of time and materials for our Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Special needs include; donation of turkeys for our Christmas dinner, and volunteers to prepare and serve food for these two special dinners.

If you would like more information about any of our programs, or would like to donate time and/or materials, please contact Christina Smith at 828-586-6782

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