

# Holiday 2023 Newsletter



## Upcoming Events

Check our website for more details

### **A TASTING AT THE WINE EXCHANGE**

Charity Event

Saturday, November 18th, 4-7pm  
1 N. Illinois St., St. Charles

### **ST. CHARLES HOLIDAY ELECTRIC PARADE**

Saturday, November 25th,  
5:30pm, Come cheer for our float!

### **GENEVA GIVING TREE**

Geneva East Book Club will again be decorating a tree for Lazarus House during the Geneva History Museum Geneva Giving Tree fundraiser. Please vote and pledge to support our tree  
11/21 –12/31



## **New Year—New Program**



It is happening! Renovations have begun at the 15 S. Third Street building that was formerly our Women and Children's Day Center and administrative offices. We are renovating the building to create affordable housing units for our shelter guests. When these individuals are ready to return to independent housing, they often find that

they cannot afford rentals in our area. The Fox Valley has been their home and yet they are not able to stay due to the high cost of housing. Lazarus House recognizes this need and is moving forward in creating a two unit, shared housing model, building that will house up to six individuals. Each person will rent a room within one of the two units and share the common areas.

Shared Housing is a flexible option for those transitioning out of homelessness. It lowers the cost per tenant and accelerates how quickly someone may be able to move into independent housing.

In addition, living with others can have extraordinary social and emotional benefits. Best of all, it will keep our neighbors housed in an area that they know and love!

Stay tuned for more information on ways that you can help provide decorations, furniture and household basics in each unit to create a true home once renovations are complete.

Businesses, faith communities, civic organizations or neighborhood groups can offer to sponsor a space. Please contact Julie, at [enews@lazarushouse.net](mailto:enews@lazarushouse.net), to be a part of this amazing project.



*Many thanks to our  
Business Friends*



# The JOY of Holiday Giving

## 14 MONTHLY DONATION

**AUTOMATIC MONTHLY DONATION**  
100% of your gift funds our work at Lazarus House and is tax deductible.

## HOLIDAY DONATION

**ONE TIME HOLIDAY DONATION**  
100% of your gift will help the guests at Lazarus House and is tax deductible.



\$115 provides  
1 Day of  
service for  
one guest



\$803 provides  
1 Week of  
service for 1  
child or adult



\$1,134 provides  
a month of service  
for Homeless  
Prevention client



\$5,571 keeps  
the doors of  
Lazarus House  
open for 1 day

## Many ways to help our neighbors



**MEMORIAL/HONORARY GIFTS** - Remember someone special who has passed or someone who inspires you. Please return the enclosed Holiday Sharing form providing details of your gift so we can share the news with the appropriate individual.



**HOLIDAY GIFT TAG PROGRAM** - Help our guests feel celebrated on Christmas morning. You will be given a gift tag of a specific guest at Lazarus House with their holiday wishes, totaling up to \$75. You may shop for one or multiple guests or go in on one tag with others. Contact Megan, our Volunteer Coordinator, at [volunteer@lazarushouse.net](mailto:volunteer@lazarushouse.net) for more information.



**GIFT CARDS** - Purchase gift cards to help our guests meet their basic needs. These gift cards may help us purchase items for our guests such as prescriptions, clothing, work shoes, and transportation. Donate an Amazon, Uber, Visa, MasterCard, Target, Meijer, or Walmart gift cards.



**SHELTER SUPPLIES:** Your donation of supplies including paper plates, napkins, plastic serviceware, cups, food storage containers, paper towels, toilet paper as well as cleaning supplies are always appreciated. Please see our Urgent Needs list on our website for other items. Email Megan at [volunteer@lazarushouse.net](mailto:volunteer@lazarushouse.net) for more details.

### Did You Know...

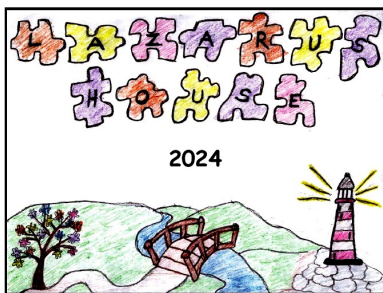


... that Lazarus House accepts stock donations?  
For more information, contact Sandy at  
[SandyF@LazarusHouse.Net](mailto:SandyF@LazarusHouse.Net).



... that you can cut your taxes by donating directly  
to Lazarus House from your retirement fund?  
Contact your fund provider on how to do that.

*We are extremely grateful for your generosity in supporting Lazarus House!*



### CALENDARS ~ CREATED BY THE GUESTS OF LAZARUS HOUSE

New this year!!! Joe McMahon has retired his comical pencil and yearly calendar after 16 years, but he still wants to contribute in raising funds for Lazarus House by supporting our newly created calendar featuring our **Guest's art work**.

Stop by 214 Walnut Street, call 630-587-2144, or write to [info@lazarushouse.net](mailto:info@lazarushouse.net) to request a calendar and we will send one to you! Hurry, there's a limited number!

## Neighbors Helping Neighbors In Crisis



The Board of Directors and staff at Lazarus House are so grateful for the community who has supported our guests through the years!  
**YOU** are making a huge impact in the lives of many.

A guest recently shared: "I learned that God exists outside of a church. This experience has changed my perception, raised my frequency and upgraded my life. I'll never be the same."

As you are planning your holiday giving, we ask that you consider donating to the care of the young children, women, and men at Lazarus House.

We wish you and your family  
**LOVE, PEACE, AND JOY** this Holiday Season.

### Yes, I would like to support Lazarus House

I would like to make a **Monthly** donation of: \$500 \$250 \$100 \$75 \$25 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a **One-time** donation of: \$500 \$250 \$100 \$75 \$25 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a check payable to Lazarus House (Mail to: 214 Walnut St. St. Charles, IL 60174)

Charge my donation indicated above to my credit card: Visa MC Discover

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Donate online at [www.lazarushouse.net](http://www.lazarushouse.net) or use QR code

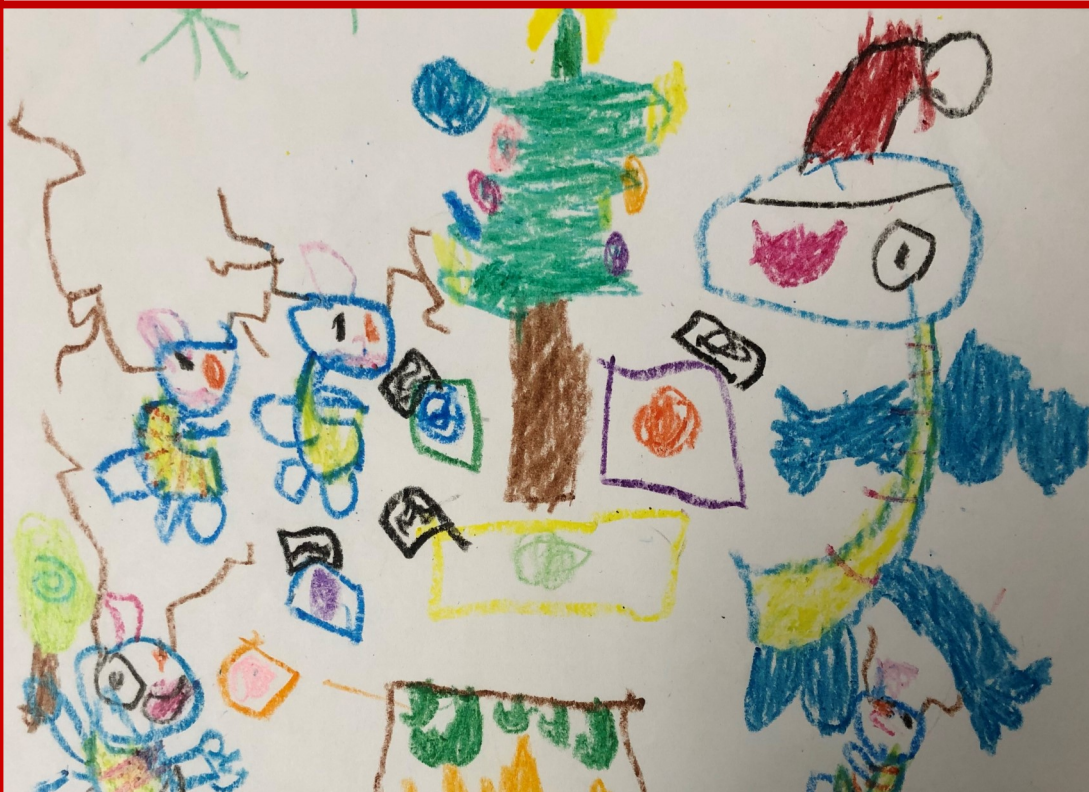
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## The Joy of Giving ~ Through the Eyes of a Child



When we stop and see the holidays through the eyes of a child, we are reminded of the peace and goodwill that this season represents and we begin to feel that peace and joy ourselves.

This drawing is just one of thirteen works of art that will bring you a bit of joy throughout 2024. Learn more about our guest-created Lazarus House calendar inside.



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