

The Seed

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Jud Dolphin Returns as LUM's Executive Director Emeritus

The Rev. Jud Dolphin has accepted LUM's invitation to serve for four months on our staff as LUM's Executive Director Emeritus. Jud will be reconnecting with old friends and supporters of LUM sharing exciting news about LUM's upcoming **Campaign for the Future.**

Jud served as LUM's Executive Director from 1977 to 1990 and has recently retired from his position as State Director of AARP in the State of Maine. In March of 2009 Jud will enter the Peace Corps with an assignment in Ukraine using his considerable organization skills to help strengthen non-governmental organizations there.

Welcome, Jud! It's great to have you back with us!



**Jud Dolphin
Welcome Home Reception**
Wednesday, October 29th
3:30pm to 5:30pm

Lafayette Urban Ministry
Board Room
525 N. 4th Street

You're invited!

LUM Community Thanksgiving – \$\$\$ Needed.



The 23rd Annual LUM Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at Central Presbyterian Church on Thanksgiving Day, November 27th from noon to 2pm. Over 750 people will enjoy turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, pie and all the fixins.

But this important community holiday tradition doesn't just happen.

Financial contributions are needed to defray the cost of the dinner.

Your gift of \$30, \$50, \$100, \$250, or \$500 will help make this special

event possible. Please write "Thanksgiving" on the memo line of you check and send it today in the enclosed return envelope.

Literally hundreds of volunteers are needed as well to set up, prepare the food, greet and serve our guests, and especially to help clean up after everyone has gone home. Visit LUM's website at www.lafayetteurbanministry.org for opportunities to volunteer or to donate food.

Questions about LUM's Community Thanksgiving Meal should be directed to Rita Tillet ritatillet@yahoo.com
We look forward to hearing from you!





LUM's Board Presidents Deserve Our Thanks!!!

By Joe Micon, Executive Director

With our nation's presidential election just a few short days away, it seems like a good time to recognize a very special group of individuals who, through the years, have meant so very much to our community – LUM's Board Presidents! They work behind the scenes so they don't usually receive much recognition, but the results of their efforts have been clearly evident in LUM's programs and in all the ways LUM has carried out its mission of Christian service to our low-income neighbors. Their leadership has been of critical importance to their fellow board members, the LUM staff, and ultimately to each child and family that has been served here. From Richard Schurr in 1971 to Maria Genaris in 2008 each LUM board president has overcome challenges and worked successfully to build a more just community. **If you happen to meet one of these individuals in the days or weeks ahead, perhaps in church or in the supermarket, why not surprise them by saying "thanks" for their legacy of service as a LUM board president!**

Richard Schurr	1971, 1972	Bethany Presbyterian
Philip Carpenter	1973, 1974	St. Andrew United Methodist
Gladys Yegerlehner	1975	Trinity United Methodist
Tom Hull	1976, 1978, 1987	Lafayette Friends Meeting
Dee Tritchler	1977	Church of the Good Shepard
Dan Dykhuisen	1979	Faith Presbyterian
Gary Henriott	1980, 1981	Immanuel United Church of Christ
Tee Monfort	1982	Dayton United Methodist
Sue Axtell	1983	Our Savior Lutheran
Becky Axel	1984	Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Gene McGinnis	1985	Calvary Baptist
Mike Wilson	1986	Immanuel United Church of Christ
Patti Gelzleichter	1988	Blessed Sacrament
Connie Smith	1989	Bethany Presbyterian
Janie Wilson	1990	Shalom United Church of Christ
Karen Atcheson	1991	Lafayette Friends Meeting
LeeAnn DeReus	1992	University Church
Polly Goldberg	1992	Blessed Sacrament
Jon Dahl	1993	Holy Trinity Lutheran
Ray Eberts	1994	Central Presbyterian
John Wilson	1995	St. Thomas Aquinas Center
Chuck Gibson	1996	Lafayette Mennonite Fellowship
Arwin Provonsha	1997	Church of Jesus Christ LDS, Lafayette Stake
Van Neie	1998	St. Andrew United Methodist
Betty Sanderson	1999	Blessed Sacrament
Louise Jewell	2000	Elston Presbyterian
Janice Weedon	2001, 2002	First Christian Church
Harry Meyers	2003	First United Methodist
Carolyn McGlone	2004	Trinity United Methodist
Joanne Thomson	2005	St. Thomas Aquinas Center
Mark Thomas	2006, 2007	Church of the Good Shepherd
Maria Genaris	2008	Blessed Sacrament

LUM Volunteers Help to Draw Down Stimulus Checks

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Aletha Deckard, 86, of Lafayette, filed her Indiana tax credit for the elderly in January and received \$100 back from the state as she does every year.

That was before congress passed the \$168 billion economic stimulus plan in February, granting all U.S. taxpayers a rebate of at least \$300.

Since she hadn't filed a federal tax form - she's not required to - Deckard didn't get a stimulus check.

With the help of the Lafayette Urban Ministry Urban Ministry, that's going to change.

Deckard was one of several people who took advantage of LUM's program Saturday to assist eligible Tippecanoe County residents who had not received their stimulus checks because they're not required to file federal taxes.

With \$300 headed her way, Deckard is happy. She said the check will help her pay her car insurance for the next six months. "I just need to add \$11," she said.

In Indiana, 68,000 eligible people have not claimed their economic stimulus checks, said Patti O'Callaghan, LUM's Director of Social Justice Ministries. Of those, about 1,000 are in Tippecanoe County, she said.

LUM offered a one-day walk-in service to help eligible people, primarily low income seniors and disabled veterans, apply for their economic stimulus checks.

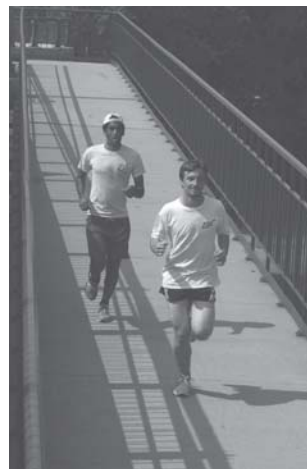
"I saw it advertised, so I came out," Deckard said. She arrived around 9:30am, half an hour before the start of the service.

Hunger Hike Reaches \$70,000 Goal

At a time when the rapidly increasing cost of food means more hungry people, this year's Hunger Hike was the most successful ever! More than 850 walkers, our corporate sponsors, and special promotions raised nearly \$70,000. This will definitely help in the fight against hunger!

Proceeds from the walk provide important financial support for LUM's food programs, Food Finder's Food Bank, and St. Thomas Aquinas Haiti Project.

Participants enjoyed music by Malachi Jagers and the Wiley Hall DJs; hot dogs provided by Bison Financial Group; watermelon, popcorn, balloons, massages and clowns from Smiles Unlimited. But most important of all, the community came together to support a great cause.



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Prizes:

Top Adult Teams: 1st Place – St. Tom's (\$5,765)
 2nd Place – Bethany Presbyterian (\$2,588)
 3rd Place – LUM Staff (\$1,936)

Top Individual – Kathie Kiser (\$508)
 Rob Pahl raised \$2,915 as part of St. Tom's team

Top Youth Teams: 1st Place – CBS Saints (\$2,175)
 2nd Place – WESSO (WLHS Girls Service Organization)
 3rd Place – St. John's Episcopal (\$1,195)

Golden Sneaker Award: 1st – Purdue Crew (\$2,171)
 2nd Food Science & FNS – (\$1,439)

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Return Service Requested

Your Lafayette Urban Ministry Staff...



The Lafayette Urban Ministry's four full-time and 13 part-time staff members work hard each day to make sure our 25 programs of service and advocacy are delivered to LUM's clients with concern, care and compassion. It's not easy work, but LUM's staff members understand how important their ministry is to the well-being of their clients and to our community in general. Last year alone, LUM's staff members served 4,474 households - a number equal to every household living in poverty in Tippecanoe County. On behalf of each child and family served by LUM, the LUM Board of Directors extends its heartfelt appreciation to our faithful and dedicated staff.

Pictured left to right:

Joe Micon	Executive Director
Carol Matthew	Shelter Coordinator
Patti O'Callaghan	Director of Social Justice Ministries (Tax Program, Public Policy, Hunger Hike, St. John's LUM Food Pantry)
Sylvia Mohler	Office Manager
Mary Lundstrum	Business Manager
Nancy Muller	Receptionist
Joyce Fasani	Emergency Shelter Director
Rev. Cindy Haley	Afterschool Program
Mary Anderson	Director, Campaign for the Future, Emergency Assistance Director (Advocate Program, Centralized Emergency Fund)
Tom Jaques	Maintenance Director
Rita Tillett	Youth Programs Director (Jubilee Christmas, LUM Camp, Community Thanksgiving)

Not pictured:

Rev. Jud Dolphin	Executive Director Emeritus, Campaign for the Future	Linda Hicks	Receptionist
Dan Keen	Neighborhood Relations	Michael Carnicella	Shelter Coordinator
Carol Port	Administrative Assistant, Campaign for the Future	Victoria Rose	Shelter Coordinator