Western Avenue Community Center

Lawrence Irvin Neighborhood Center



# The Center Connection

Spring/Summer 2015

### Mystery Dinner



Save the date for a night of fun and mystery....

# 6th Annual Mystery Dinner Friday, November 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Lakeside Country Club

Attention all spies and villains! His name is Bond, and he's on a mission to save the world from another evil mastermind. Come as yourself or your own secret identity for a night of comedy that's guaranteed to be shaken, not stirred.

For tickets call 309-829-4807 or visit www.westernavenuecc.org. Proceeds will benefit WACC. **Call Whitney at 309-829-4807 if you're interested in sponsoring this event or silent auction items.** 

## **Golf Outing Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported Western Avenue Community Center's Golf Outing Fundraiser. It was a fun day of golf, prizes, and good food! We had 11 teams participate and hope to double that next year! The event raised \$2,500 for WACC programs.







#### A special thanks to our sponsors:

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#### Spring JOY Letter

Thank you to those who have responded to our annual Spring JOY Letter mailing with your contributions. Your generous support helps us serve youth in our After School Program, LINC, LINC mentoring, PETALS, Girls Only, and Summer Camp. If you haven't had a chance to make a tax deductible donation and would like to, visit www.westernavenuecc.org.



#### Thank you for your support!

#### Seniors... fun, fitness & friends

Join us for a great evening at the **Spring Fling Dinner Dance** 

On Thursday, July 30 at 5:30 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 per person at the door.

Call Rose or Norma at 309-829-4807 for your reservation. Music by The Dynamics.

#### Girls ONLY



Mothers join their daughters in a self-image presentation and discussion

### Free Little Library

Be sure to come check out our new Free Little Library installed by Troop 1290!



#### Hispanic Outreach

The **Mexican Consulate** was at **LINC May 21-23**. Over 500 individuals were served.

The Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser was Tuesday, May 5. Socorro Alvarez and Norma Espino along with a team of helpers, did an amazing job of preparing over 185 lunches!





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### **After School Program**









Our After School Program students, staff and volunteers celebrated the end to a fabulous school year with an outdoor party. Thanks to the generous donations from a couple of volunteers, we enjoyed hot dogs, watermelon, pasta salad and a giant cake. To top it off, everyone helped break the piñatas made by our upper grade students.

All of our students worked very hard with their tutors this school year and we saw huge growth in everyone both socially and academically. This success is only possible with the help of our amazing volunteers and the fabulous staff that God provided this year. We were also blessed with countless donations of books for our library, food for snacks, craft supplies, and small toys for our "Prize Shop".

REMEMBER, if you are ever looking for a great place to "give back" by building a relationship with an elementary student, come join us for tutoring and fun! Every day, thirty-five bright, talented "pieces of our future" come walking through the doors and our volunteer tutors help us unlock the potential that each child has. Contact Lisa Barton (lbarton@westernavenuecc.org) for more information about the After School Program and how to sign up to be a volunteer tutor/mentor.

### **Food Pantry**

A special thanks to Duane Farrington and the GOOD FELLOWS for all their Good Deeds. GOOD FELLOWS has transformed Western Avenue Community Center's Food Pantry from a small office size Pantry to the new wonderful setup we now have in the gym. Thanks to all their wonderful hard work, we have expanded our services to better serve our clients. Just recently GOOD FELLOWS returned and transformed our garage which we use for storage of non-food items.



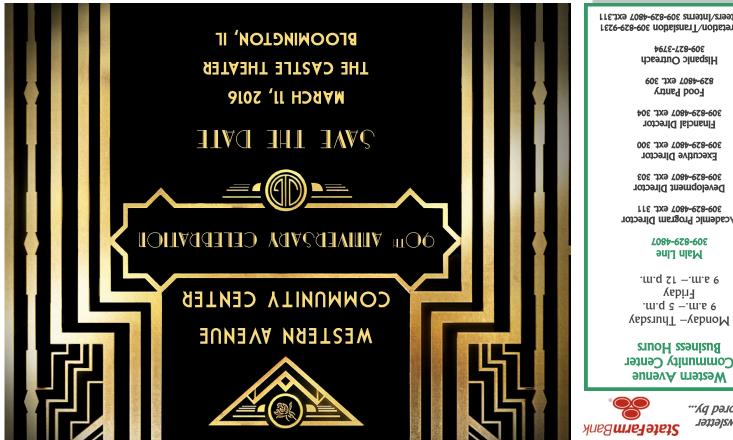




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