

STJB GIRLS SCOUTS PREPARE AND SERVE BOUNTIFUL HEARTS MEAL

NEXT MEAL AT STJB: SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019 11AM—1PM



A Girl Scout's Reflection

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At the March 23rd Bountiful Hearts, the Girl Scouts all had an awesome time. We enjoyed the preparation and also serving the meal. In one of our troop meetings we voted on what we were going to make; we chose foods that we like – burgers, corn, and macaroni and cheese. One of our troop leaders did the shopping and made the burgers and macaroni and cheese at home. That made it easy to heat and serve once in the cafeteria. For the meal, each girl brought something to contribute like cheese, buns, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, and more.

At Bountiful Hearts, each girl had a job before the neighbors came and also during the meal. Before the neighbors came, there was a lot of preparation needed. The lettuce needed to be cut, salad into bowls, heat up corn, and more. While people were coming, there was still more to do. We served the burger patties, and asked if they wanted cheese, pickles, and corn. Then we offered them lemonade, water, and coffee to drink. Some neighbors did not want to be served, but preferred to do it for themselves.

I was confident that I was going to be not scared. Then when people started to come, I got more and more nervous. It was kind of nerve racking because I actually had to go up to people I didn't know and ask if they wanted a drink. Then I did it for the first time, and as I kept doing it, it was okay. I got nervous again when I sat down to eat, but my friends had already started a conversation, so it was easier to join. I talked with a lady who had dogs and one who has a great-nephew that goes to St. John school. All of the neighbors were very friendly and kind. They all had a reason for coming to Bountiful Hearts, but that didn't matter.

The Bountiful Hearts experience was pretty much what I expected. I thought there would be a room full of people, but there was maybe 30-40. Even still, more will come as the ministry continues to grow. In the end, it was an awesome experience and I had a great time. It feels really good to help others. The Girl Scouts really enjoyed the chance to be the loving hands of God for others.



Every fourth Saturday of the month, members of the STJB community serves a meal to our neighbors in need.

