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A fundraiser for the City of Kenner Food Bank Even Santa Agreed to “Sip” for the Hungry

To bring Christmas cheer while restocking the Kenner Food Bank, the Second Annual “Sipping with Santa” soiree is being hosted by Mayor Michael S. Yenni and his wife Michelle Swanner Yenni together with Chief of Police Steve Caraway and his wife, Karen, at the Chateau Golf and Country Club on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Due to the budget cuts at the post office, the food drive annually conducted in early November with the great help of the U.S. Postal Service letter carriers has been canceled. Not to be deterred, community groups, civic-minded individuals and local companies have generously signed up to sponsor this fundraising event to make sure Kenner’s Food Bank can provide turkeys and other trimmings to carry Kenner’s families through this Thanksgiving.

Yenni said that the demand for food has increased dramatically as the negative economy and loss of jobs has set in among the people of Kenner. “Then, there is Christmas less than a month away,” said Mayor Yenni. “I don’t think we can bear the thought of families going hungry on what is regarded the greatest “giving day” in the western world.”

We cordially invite everyone to the kick off the holiday season & join us for holiday martinis, wine, appetizers, door prizes, raffles and Santa’s Secret Shopping Village at the 2nd Annual “Sipping with Santa” at the Chateau Golf and Country Club this November 29th. Enjoy music by DJ Jim Hanzo, pictures with Santa by MillerFoto with school choirs caroling while doing some early holiday shopping!

To participate, different levels of sponsorship are offered, ranging from $2,500.00, $1,000.00 and $500.00, or you may simply purchase a $30.00 ticket and bring a non-perishable food item.

For information on tickets, sponsorships or volunteering, please contact Michelle Swanner Yenni (michelle@chateaugcc.com) or Allison Cole (ar@chateaugcc.com) at (504) 467-1351. Checks should be made payable to the “City of Kenner Food Bank” and mailed to Chateau Country Club, 3600 Chateau Boulevard, Kenner LA 70065.

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