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***Top 5 things to know about Gleaners Gala Three Ring Spectacular***

*Largest one-night fundraiser in support of Central Indiana's hungry offers savory bits, world-class entertainment*

INDIANAPOLIS – Come one, come all to the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Gleaners Gala. The theme for this year's night of food and fun is the Three Ring Spectacular which is sure to surprise and awe your senses. The food bank will be transformed for an evening of amazing performance acts, giving attendees the opportunity to attend the circus while supporting essential hunger programs for three critical groups: Children, Seniors, and Veterans. Here are five things you need to know about the Gleaners Gala.

1. Largest one day fundraiser in support of hungry people in Central Indiana.
2. Jugglers, fire eaters and acrobats; oh my! Attendees will get three rings of circus entertainment sure to surprise.
3. Mind boggling silent and live action times. Hint: Home Makeover.
4. Money raised will help fund several programs including BackSacks: Weekend Food for Kids; Senior Hunger Initiative and mobile pantries that support veterans.
5. Attendees will have the opportunity to say farewell to Cynthia H. Hubert, President and CEO as she retires from Gleaners Food Bank.

The Gleaners Gala Three Ring Spectacular would not be possible without the generosity of our sponsors including: IPL, Kroger, BMO Harris Bank, Monarch Beverage, NextGear Capital, Software Engineering Professionals (SEP), and Delta Air Lines.

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**About Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana, Inc.**

On a yearly basis, hundreds of thousands of hungry Hoosiers depend on food and other critical grocery products provided by Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana. Gleaners supplies items to hunger relief agencies and schools throughout 21 counties in central and southeastern Indiana.

Gleaners was founded in 1980 and is a member of Feeding America the nation's food bank network. Charity Navigator has recognized Gleaners as a 4-Star organization for six consecutive years, the highest rating for charity demonstrating fiscal management and accountability. Since its inception, Gleaners has distributed over 320 million pounds of food and critical grocery products to over 200 hunger relief agencies serving needy Hoosiers. In addition to food distribution to hunger relief agencies, Gleaners serves our most vulnerable populations, seniors and children, through specialty programs such as the *BackSacks: Weekend Food for Kids*, *School-Based Pantry*, *Mobile Pantry*, *Summer Meals for Kids*, and *Senior Hunger Initiative* Programs. To learn more, visit [www.gleaners.org](http://www.gleaners.org).

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