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CHARITY BALL TO BENEFIT BUCKY'S FOOD PANTRY

The Annual Charity Ball hosted by The Honors College Student Council will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 1 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Carnegie Hotel. Preferred attire is semi-formal, black tie optional. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served throughout the night. Tickets will be available for purchase at the front entrance of the Carnegie Hotel for \$15 per person or \$20 per table; all proceeds from ticket sales will go to benefit Bucky's Food Pantry.

Bucky's Food Pantry's mission is to depreciate or end food related insecurity within the East Tennessee State University community in a way that is as discreet and easily accessible as possible. They aim to heighten awareness of food insecurity and hunger on campus.

Rana Elgazzar, who is president of The Honors College Student Council, explained that she hoped this event would make Bucky's Food Pantry more popular, so students know that this service exists and is available for their use. "It's a great resource, and it's not just about raising money," said Rana Elgazzar, "it's also raising awareness that we have this service for those who might need it."

Not only is this event about supporting a wonderful cause, but there is an abundance of opportunities for a great time as well. "This is such a fun event too," said Rana Elgazzar, "it's a social, but it's tied to a good cause." Expect lots of dancing and socializing with ETSU students, faculty and community members. A DJ from The Edge 89.5, which is an ETSU radio station run by students, will be playing music all evening.

"This event is a good platform for student groups to come together, and what a better way than to do it for a good cause that benefits our university," said Rana Elgazzar. "Hopefully this year the Charity Ball will lead to organization and group collaboration as well as increase awareness for Bucky's," noted Ahmed Elgazzar, who is a member of The Honors College Student Council.

Bucky's Food Pantry will have an information table set up at the Charity Ball to share pamphlets and general information about their organization and how they benefit the community. One of the primary goals of this event is to spread information about Bucky's Food Pantry in hopes of growing their resources as a charitable organization.

More information about Bucky's Food Pantry and the Honors College Student Council is located at www.etsu.edu/foodpantry/ and <http://www.etsu.edu/honors/hllc/>.