



Knead Community Cafe a registered 501(c) (3) charitable organization

"Our humanity comes to its fullest bloom in giving. We become beautiful people when we give whatever we can give: a smile, a handshake, a kiss, an embrace, a word of love, a present, a part of our life...all of our life."

Henri J.M. Nouwen



Dear Friends of Knead Community Cafe,

With the crazy weather we've been experiencing, it's hard to believe that fall is in the air! The one thing we are certain about is that we are happy to start adjusting back to a regular routine. The patio is still open for the time being and if you haven't had a chance to bask in the sunshine, please come by for lunch sometime soon. We've enjoyed many nice activities in the courtyard and have been blessed by having this beautiful space in the heart of the city. The dark mulch donated by Sevic's Landscaping finished off this phase of the courtyard nicely until we can work on hardscape and plantings in the future. In addition, the garden boxes gifted by the Lower Burrell Rotary just flourished this year and we still are enjoying many herbs, tomatoes and late season vegetables. Grateful for the abundant donations of garden fresh produce from our community friends and partners. We've been busy preserving herbs for pestos and soups to enjoy during the long winter season at the cafe. Chef Jeff is in the process of putting final touches on his new Fall/Winter menu so stay tuned the next month!

## Exciting News

### Welcome Lisa and Gina!

We've been blessed to have a great staff to help us with all of our needs as we continually grow at the cafe. This wouldn't be possible without the commitment and dedication of our cafe supervisors who share the job. Lisa is a young mother with 3 children who is currently attending CCAC to become a radiology technician. Gina recently came to us with a passion to serve in her hometown community. Both ladies have experience in the food industry and more importantly want to share the love of Christ with everyone they encounter at the cafe.



### New Table Sponsorships Available

Knead Community Cafe gratefully acknowledges the following businesses and individuals for their commitment to our cafe operation and mission to provide healthy meals to all regardless of means by offering monthly financial support.

Northwestern Mutual Life - Kevin Bode New Kensington Office

Nick Chevrolet of Tarentum

Ann and Phil LaRusse

Axiom Counseling Services - New Kensington Office

We invite you or your company to learn more about Cafe Table Sponsorships, by calling Marcie at (878) 302-3270



### Breaking Bread Monthly Dinners

If you haven't joined us yet, plan on attending the next dinner which is held every 3rd Thursday of the month. This event is open to anyone in the community. It is a great opportunity to break bread, share in fellowship with neighbors and meet friends both old and new. This delicious meal, prepared by Chef Jeff and crew, would not be possible without the partnership of meal sponsors which are comprised of businesses and anonymous donors. Although the meal is free, free will donations are accepted to help defray the costs. If you or a business you know would like to become a Breaking Bread Dinner sponsor, please contact Marcie at (878) 302-3270 for more information.

### Tokens available for purchase at the Café



Our wooden tokens make great gifts to treat a friend or enclose in a birthday or thank you card. You can also Pay it Forward by purchasing one at the café and we will discreetly hand out to a neighbor in need. Each token has a value up to \$10 for a one time meal use.

**Did you know we also offer memorials and tribute donations in honor of your loved ones or special occasions? Share a gift that keeps on giving and helps to support our cafe mission.**

## Volunteer Spotlight

### Marge Leslie and Martha Sproul



**Marge** “I had just retired and was looking for some direction. The cafe is everything I thought it would be and more. If you are looking for a place to volunteer, we have a relaxed, friendly atmosphere where everyone fits in. It’s a great place to serve others.”

**Martha** “My favorite thing is meeting and working with all the different people at the cafe. Every day is unique! I feel valued as a person and was able to utilize my past job skills. Also, I’ve never worked in the food industry and you don’t need to be a pro here. There’s something for everyone and we work together so well at the cafe.

It didn’t take the staff long to make a decision about who should be the next spotlight volunteer and again we chose a power packing duo. Both Marge and Martha are solid, consistent volunteers who willingly give of their time and talents. These gals are hardworking, cafe loving ladies who are there for us regularly and in a pinch. You will find Marge at the counter a couple days a week and most of Martha’s time is spent keeping us organized in the back end operations. Both ladies came to us shortly after retiring from their professional careers and we truly are grateful to have you in our lives!

### Want to lend a hand but short on time?

We can always use great volunteers anytime. But, we do have shorter shifts available to help with morning café set up and kitchen prep tasks from 9am-11am daily or helping with end of day closing and cleaning tasks from 2pm-3:30pm. In addition, we always have need for volunteers on Saturdays and Special Events if you work during the day and still want to be involved! Do you like organizing and planning Special Events? Need community service hours? Please contact our supervisors during café hours at 878-847-7997. You may also send an email or visit our website at [www.kneadcommunitycafé.org](http://www.kneadcommunitycafé.org) to learn more about volunteering and click on the Signup link to schedule. You don't know what you are missing!

## A final note from the cafe.....

Sometimes when you come in for lunch, you see a nice bunch of people gathered in a friendly, environment enjoying delicious food- which we hope is the case! We are thrilled to be a part of this but much goes on behind the scenes and when no one else may be watching. We are making great strides in helping both those in need and those perhaps needing just a bit of love and acceptance. In addition to a warm meal, it may be drying the rain drenched clothing of someone who is displaced, offering a bowl of soup during closed hours of the cafe, praying over those distraught with losing a loved one or giving hope to those affected by poor decisions, a drug relapse, or a failed relationship.

We've also enjoyed .....feeding many friends, families and neighbors at the monthly community meal with almost 200 people in attendance last month.

We've assisted in spiritually feeding .....many who gathered at the 3 day Revival sponsored by the Kingdom Men.

We've been inspired.....by the large group of youth and parents who attended the Silver Ring Thing and by their youth staff who assisted at serving meals at the cafe.

We're also grateful for .....the opportunities to provide inspirational and community events such as the Summer Concert in the courtyard so generously provided by Risen to Save.

We've seen the power of neighbors coming together for the good of the community and His kingdom. Whatever God's purpose for us, we are here for our community. With a small committed staff, we are eternally grateful for your support by becoming an active volunteer, assisting with fundraising and sponsorships, being a regular patron at the cafe or a prayer warrior keeping us daily in his/her intentions.

We thank you sincerely for your love and partnership.

### Upcoming Events: (proceeds go for support of cafe operations)

**Sept. 20th-** Breaking Bread Monthly Dinner. Free/ free will, open to all in the community. Serving 5-6pm.

**Sept. 29th -** Dinner and Paint Night Fundraiser 5:30-8:30. (Advance ticket sales only online or at cafe)

**October 6th -** Harvest Craft & Vendor Fair- w Volunteer Bake Sale- Banquet Hall 10-3pm

**November 3-** 3rd Annual Pasta Extravaganza Fundraiser Dinner  
Banquet Hall 3:30pm-7:30pm

**Hours:** Mondays-Closed  
Tues-Fri 11:00am-2:00pm Sat 8:00am-2:00pm

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