



TOUCHING LIVES

CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteer Newsletter

Spring 2010

A note from the Staff and Board of Directors...

To Our Wonderful Volunteers,

**WE CELEBRATE YOU AND THANK YOU FOR
YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE, YOU BLESS OUR GUESTS!**

“The giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient”

** National Volunteer Week, a signature event of Points of Light Institute, celebrates ordinary people doing extraordinary things to improve communities across the nation.



A NEW WAY TO HAVE FUN... AND HELP OUR GUESTS!

There are few backyard lawn games as widely loved as Cornhole. It's the kind of game that encourages multitasking with a bag in one hand and a refreshment in the other — all you have to do is be the first to 21 points! Joeline and Paul Lecture (longtime devoted volunteers), and their amazing network of friends, have created a bright, new event for Our Daily Bread, with this wonderful day of fun.



Joeline Lecture

**Join us for our 1ST ANNUAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
on Sunday, May 16th from 2 to 5 p.m. at Xavier
University's O'Connor Sports Center**

Featuring as many as 128 teams of two, *enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, beverages, a silent auction, children's activities, and competition by registering your team, \$25 per team, at www.ourdailybread.us Area high schools and colleges are painting their logos on the boards and they will be up for auction at the end of the day!* Come cheer your team on for a suggested donation of \$5, support our guests and have a great time!



*By Mary A. Gladden,
retired principal of
Taft High School.*

Our Daily Bread does a fantastic job in meeting the needs of many men, women and children who are in need of a good, hot meal.

Working in the kitchen with Kathy, Jerome and all the others, on

Thursdays, has been a pleasure. I feel like I am a part of the team and love serving the pastries.

Getting to know the regular volunteers has been an added plus, and the chance to see my former students when they come in as well.

For me, serving others is a key component of my Christian faith. Our Daily Bread gives me an opportunity to serve God by serving others. For this I am grateful.



Mary Gladden

Join Us for the 3rd Annual
Soul of City Soiree
Benefitting *Our Daily Bread*
Sunday, September 5, 2010 @ 5:30 PM
Montgomery Inn Boathouse



This year includes a served dinner, music, silent auction, and fireworks extravaganza.

As information is available it will be on our website Events page at www.ourdailybread.us

Get the best seat in town to see the 2010 Fireworks and help us continue to serve our guests!

Thanks to our wonderful Soiree Committee: Fred Wahl, Duane Hickerson, Dean Gregory, Ruthie Keefe, Craig Combest, Mark Broderick, Shari Einsel, Elizabeth Ogle, Mike O'Brien, and Paul Miller!

Volunteer Spotlight!

Tony Seiwert, Paul Korbee, Jim Mueller

This Spring we spotlight three men whose enthusiasm, faithful service and warm hearts make them a joy to be around!

TONY SEIWERT – MAN FOR ALL REPAIRS



Tony Seiwert came to us through his friend John Rush, a Thursday veteran volunteer and great recruiter. John mentioned his service with Our

Daily Bread and said it was a great place to volunteer. So, Tony began volunteering on Thursdays as well to help prepare and serve our midday meal. Good friend John mentioned to our Kitchen Manager, Kathy, that Tony was great at “fixing and building things” and, as they say, the rest is history! Tony’s first job was to install coat hooks in our volunteer room. Since then, he has worked on every project asked of him with great ideas and a smile. One of his latest projects is making Cornhole boards for our upcoming Cornhole tournament May 16th.

Tony said “So many of us are so fortunate, and have so many blessings that we are meant to help those who are in need.” “I see lots of guests who, if it weren’t for a lot of twists and turns in the road, could have been me.” His attitude says it all when he remarked “Every day I wake up and refuse to not have a good day!” Thanks for sharing your talents with us, Tony!

PAUL KORBEE



Paul first heard about Our Daily Bread’s mission from a co-worker, Ray Vogelpohl, founder Cookie Vogelpohl’s uncle. Paul and

Ray worked together as pipefitters and Ray was a huge benefactor, volunteer and supporter of Cookie’s vision and work. In 2008, after Paul retired, he responded to an ad in the Enquirer asking for a volunteer with a pickup truck to pick up donated food for our guests. He currently picks up our lettuce, spinach, and salad fixings donation from CLUB CHEF. He also picks up donations from anywhere else Kathy sends him on Mondays and stays to help prepare and serve our midday meal. Paul says, “Volunteering here really grounds me; it’s a privilege to be here and hear some great life stories from our guests...Our guests are such resilient people, their struggles and courage are inspiring. In spite of all their challenges they are still positive.” Paul has a wonderful and simple practice that has helped him build relationships with our guests. “Every week I try to learn a new name so I can call our guests by their names. It’s more personal that way.” Thanks Paul for spending your Mondays picking up food donations and serving our guests!

JIM MUELLER



Jim had been retired for 2 years when he read an ad in the Sunday Enquirer for a volunteer needed for pick-up of donations (from generous donor J.T.M.); that was

almost four years ago. Since then he has expanded his Monday service to prepare and serve our midday meal and provides transportation for Dr. Judy, our Women’s Group leader, twice a month. Jim brings an easygoing, cooperative spirit to our guests and staff. Interacting with staff, both office and kitchen, has always

been a great experience for Jim. “It’s like a fraternity of guests and volunteers....I’ve been particularly happy working with Kathy, our Kitchen Manager. I’m struck by her ability to relate to guests in a gentle but firm way. I feel she’s deeply respectful of our guests and volunteers.” Jim sees his service as part of a larger picture. “It’s good to come here and be reminded, regularly, that we still have a long way to go until everyone is united in their needs being met.” And he says that spending time with our guests has a profound effect on him. “Most of our guests show gratitude and an amazing faith...When I come here every Monday I feel recharged.” Thanks for being part of our team, Jim!



Thanks to Susan Schmitt, Joeline Lecture, and Andy Brunzman for our Findlay Market Opening Day Parade Entry!