

Table of Plenty in Chelmsford Newsletter

Texas Roadhouse Dinner



On the first Tuesday in September, the Texas Roadhouse catering truck pulled up outside Table of Plenty and served up a special meal for an appreciative full house. On the menu was Pulled Pork, BBQ Chicken, Seasoned Rice, Caesar Salad, Freshly Baked Rolls, and of course their Homemade Honey Cinnamon Butter. Their mascot, Andy Armadillo, made lots of friends as he passed through the hall, taking pictures and high-fiving attendees.

A few months ago, Table of Plenty Board Members attend-



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ed a marketing presentation by Texas Roadhouse on how the restaurant can contribute to their communities. The Board thought this would be an unique, fun event for our guests and a night off for our hard-working chefs. We hope to provide other creative dinner events in the future.

Guests were each sent home with a bag of the signature Texas Roadhouse peanuts as well. Many thanks to our friends at Texas Roadhouse for a memorable evening!

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A Feast for the Ears

Most evenings at Table of Plenty, our guests enjoy not only a delicious meal in the company of friends, but lovely music while dining as well. Once a month, they are entertained by Cathy Martin on the piano, accompanied by Julianne O'Keefe and friends singing lots of favorites. Each month, they are also treated to Jeff Peterson's guitar and songs. We've also enjoyed a nice relationship with Indian Hill Music School in Littleton who've sent artists such as the Rule Brothers, pictured here.



Parker, Davis, and Chase Rule

Supportive Scouts

This past spring, Cub Scouts from Pack 77 sold a whole lot of popcorn. They chose Table of Plenty as the recipient of funds raised from these sales. TOPIC has had great support from the scouting community (both boys and girls), whether it be monetary donations, setting up tables and chairs, making centerpieces, or donating baked goods.



Cub Scouts from Pack 77 present a check to Board Members Craig Bonaceto and Merri Serra.

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Thank You to Our Meal Sponsors

- Phil and Pat Burton (In memory of Bonnie Christensen)
- David L'Hussier
- Kevin Sullivan
- All Saints
- Blake Funeral Home
- Carolyn Clancy (In Honor of Ellie)
- Enterprise Bank
- Team Micky Ward
- Barbara & Bill Morrill

Sponsoring a Meal



If you or your business are interested in sponsoring a meal, contact Table of Plenty at 978-710-8EAT(8328).

Community Night at Sushi Yanagi



On November 12th, from 3pm—10pm, if you dine at the Japanese restaurant in Drum Hill, **Sushi Yanagi**, they will donate 15% of your bill to Table of Plenty. Choose from a wide array of Teriyaki, Tempura, Thai, Sushi, and Hibachi dishes. They are located at 83 Parkhurst Road. Make sure to bring in this flyer:

www.tableofplentyinchelmsford.org/Flyers/TOP Sushi Yanagi Flyer.pdf

- Susan Mathews and Diane Rega (In Honor of Priscilla Rega)
- The family of Doris Grout, in her memory
- Bernice Goldman (In Memory of Wanda Ostrowski)



Meet Two More of Our Volunteer Teams

Note: In our last few newsletters, and in the next edition of our newsletter, we will introduce you to our nine wonderful volunteer serving teams at Table of Plenty.



SUE MEENAGHAN'S TEAM

Pictured Front Row: Mary Paletta, Glorian Yerid, Carol Slighter, Paula Szelag, Sue Meenaghan, Gail Ciesluk, Sandy Brodie, Judy Omobono. Back Row: Bill Bennett, Tim Slighter, Brenda Benson. Missing: Marie Recks

Sue has been the team leader for her group (above) for the past few years. Originally led by Brenda Benson, this team started with a few real estate agents, and added others who wanted to volunteer with TOPIC. They are a hard working and flexible team who work well together, and are willing to step in for each other when needed.

Val's Team (below) is made up of "friends and neighbors". Table of Plenty President, Maureen McKeown, lives in the same neighborhood and is in a book club with Val and suggested that she would make a great team leader. So Val began asking around and putting a team together. She said it was easy as everyone she asked is charitably inclined and said yes. She calls them a "team captain's dream" - they always come through and manage themselves.

VAL LANGBEHN'S TEAM

Pictured: Weegie Dodd, Nancy Olt, Meg Watson, Kathy Brough, Marilyn Nicodemus, Jan Gurley, Mary Jane Grinham, *, Pat Shaw, Jim and Andrew Dolan, Val Langbehn, Roger Logeman, Linda Ridlon

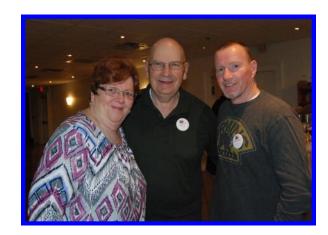
Missing: Kerry Dolan, Bonnie Heines, Edie Logeman, Carol Morris, Fran Murphy, Helen Powell, Anita Saville



Scenes From the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Winston Churchill













President's Message

As we get set to publish this next edition of our newsletter. Table of Plenty is about to serve its **15,000th meal**! And over the course of four plus years, we have established a wonderful, caring bond amongst our many volunteers and cherished guests. It is such a privilege to share the stories, both joyful and sad, of those who come to TOP each week. Our volunteers comment on how they are enriched by their experience and

look forward to their week to serve. Someone who was a new sponsor noted how impressed she was that we run such an organized event! We continue to investigate new ways to reach out to those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity. An increase in our weekly numbers tells us there are more people to be served.

We are so thankful to all our community and financial supporters who make TOP possible.



Maureen McKeown

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