

The Clay Connection



Empty Bowls

Friday, April 11, 2003
Washington-Lee High School
Arlington, VA

Clay Connection welcomes you once again! As you will see from this program, many people have contributed time, talents, and materials to support this worthy event. The list continues on the back. Enjoy good food & good friends!

Sincerely,

Marcia Koski Finnerty, *chair*
Clay Connection Empty Bowls 2003

About Empty Bowls

Empty Bowls is a project that was conceived by the Image/RENDER Group, Oxford, MI. The goal is to raise as much money as possible to feed hungry people in this country and to help bring about an attitude that will not allow hunger to exist.

To accomplish this goal, the local community is asked to come together along with the arts community and to provide an evening of soup and bread. The guests are invited to keep the bowl of their choice. This bowl will serve as a reminder of the meal's purpose—every time you take the "Empty Bowl" from the cupboard you will be reminded that someone's bowl is always empty and that on this one occasion you have helped to alleviate hunger.

Sponsor of the Event –

The Clay Connection

The Clay Connection is a nonprofit organization of potters mainly from the Washington DC metropolitan area. Members range from beginners to full-time professionals who work in a broad range of styles. The organization offers programs designed to provide its members educational and networking opportunities. This is the tenth Empty Bowls that the organization has held. The event is planned and run entirely by volunteers. All profits go to the selected beneficiaries.

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Potters

(partial list)

Karin Abromaitis
Edith Adam
Holly Adams
Janet Adams
Kay Allan
Karin Anderson
Gayle Adkisson
Sheila Avruch
Pam Balow
Christy Barber
Alice Barbera
Debby Barger
Kathie Baumgart
Carol Berman
Linda Bernard
Phil Berneburg
Beth Beyer
Trenice Bishop
Caroline Brinkman
George Brown
Chase Bruns
Ed Bull
Lis Burrows
Napapan Carpenter
Lorraine Colson
Denise Corcoran
Marianne Cordyack
Robertta Couver
Solveig Cox
Mary Kay Crowley
Jane Cullum
Kathleen Darby
Jerry Dathe
Dennis Davis
Jennifer Dinkelmeier
Judy Divone
Jerry Drye
Jim Dunning
Kathy Dunning
Tig Dupre
Sandra Dwiggins
Pamela Eisenmann
Laura Fall
Jan Filsinger
Stephanie Firestone
Peter Fitzgerald
Cathie Flynn
Terry Flynn
Sheila Ford
Liz Francis
Diana Free
Matt Freitas
Tammy French
Sue Frey

Dorothy Funkhouser
Patty Gehring
Jim Geletka
Janet Gohret
Al Hansen
Claire Hasselbeck
Angie Henderson
Helen Hensgen
Marylou Hobbs
Nancy Hodges
Maureen Holleran
Susan Jenkins
Marcia Jestaedt
Lucy Johnson
Dolores Jones
George Juliano
Martin Karcher
Paul Katsanis

Catherine Naylor
Fran Newquist
Barbara Oksanen
Terri Olson
Anne Overbey
LJ Pendlebury
Natalie Peters
Carolyn Dutky Romano
Lila Sanger
Marco Schito
Bill Schran
Lisa Schumacher
Janelle Seiberlich
Kanika Sircar
Sue Sommerfield
Yolanda Spears
Johanna Steinhauer
Joy Strickland
Debra Swauger
Natalie Taylor
Muriel Turner
Rob Van Rens
Beth Wiley
Jim Williams
Wayne Willson
Taube Wilson
Angela Yi
Linda Zackin

The bowl you keep
will remind you
that someone's bowl is
always empty and
that, on this one
occasion, we helped to
alleviate hunger.

Beth Kendall
Jeff Kirk
Lorene Kluge
Cecy Kururilla
Rosanne Labrozi
Chuck Lovett
Sandy Ludes
Meredith MacLay
Madeline Malovany
Alison Malzahn
Dale Marhanka
Maggie Mathis
Debbie McDysan
Meredith McEver
Jane Mayer
Kim Meyers
Dana Mitchell
Susan Muehl
Linda Muñoz

Students and potters from area schools and studios; glazes and kiln firings donated:

The Art League Pottery Department
Bowman House
Cordyack Students
Creative Clay Studios
Freestate Pottery
Girl Scout Troop #2502,
St. Joseph's School, Herndon
Glen Echo Ceramics Program
Hinckley Pottery
The Kiln Club
Lee Arts Center
Manassas Clay
Montgomery Potters
Reston Community Center
Robinson Secondary School
Thomas Jefferson
Community Center
The Torpedo Factory Artists
Association
Wakefield Recreation Center
Washington-Lee High School

Silent Auction Donations

Artists's works

George Brown
Lis Burrows
Ramon Camarillo
Marianne Cordyack
Jane Cullum
Jennifer Dinkelmeier
Sheila Ford
Matt Freitas
Claire Hasselbeck
Lorene Kluge
Maggie Mathis
Debbie McDysan
Dana Mitchell
Fran Newquist
Joy Strickland
Debra Swauger
Bill van Gilder
Wayne Willson
Linda Zackin

Pottery studios and galleries

Creative Clay Pottery
and Studio – classes
Creativity Center,
Meredith McEver – a 1-day
face mask workshop
Earth and Fire Pottery,
Beth Wiley – pottery
Matt McIntire – tools
Jan McQuarry – tools
Bill van Gilder – tools
Waterfront Potters,
Marcia Jestaedt – pottery

Suppliers

Bat Grabber
Clark Art Glass and
Refractories
Creative Industries
Dolan Tools
Giffin Grip
Glyptic Modeling Tools
Hydrobats
Jepson Tools
Merrifield Home Depot
Micro Dynasty, Inc.
Pine Ridge Pottery
Potteryvideos.com
Slab Mat
Trinity Ceramic Supply
Ward Burner Systems

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These Companies and Individuals Have Graciously Donated Their Services

Music

• Patrice Moerman

Patrice Moerman is a Washington area songwriter who recently released her debut CD *Following A Dream*. It is blues inflected rock, with a little country and pop! For this event her band includes: Jeff Severson on guitar, John Young on bass, and Mike Griffith on drums.

• **Burke United Methodist Church Flute Choir**, Cindy Pedder, director

Bread

Pica Deli, Arlington, VA

Soup

Minestrone soup was donated by That's Amore Restaurants, Sterling, VA

Desserts

Meredith Maclay

The Heidelberg Bakery, Arlington, VA

Pastries by Randolph, Arlington, VA

Clowns

Just Clowning Around (JCA)

Printing of announcement flyers and postcards

D&P Printing, Alexandria, VA

Special thanks

Joan and George Brown, Gary Cohen (That's Amore), Roberta Couver, Jane Cullum, MaryJo DeMatis (Pica Deli), Jennifer Dinkelmeyer, Stephanie Firestone, Helen Hensgen, Lucy Johnson, Meredith Maclay, Meredith McEver, Fran Newquist, Natalie Peters, Rob Van Rens, Debra Swauger, Linda Zackin.

Many thanks

Washington-Lee High School again for all their kind assistance. We also wish to thank the Arlington County School Board for their generosity and support in this year's event. And also to Detective Susan Noack for her expertise and cheerful help.

And thanks to volunteers

Edie Adam, Janet Adams, Ann Andersen, Phil Berneburg, Caroline Brinkman, Lis Burrows, Carol Cohen, Mary Kay Crowley, Tracy Davis, Sue Federico, Michael Finnerty, Bill Firestone, Sheila and Del Ford, Claire Hasselbeck, Bud Hensgen, Susan Jenkins, George Juliano, Sue Kelly, Carlos Larrazabal, Chuck Lovett, Maggie Mathis, Emily Pattillo.

Bowl coordinator and Website monitor

Roberta L. Couver

Bowl-a-thons

Area studios provided their clay, pottery wheels, glazes and kilns to those who participated, which helped generate fun and more bowls for this event:

- Creative Clay Studios, George Brown. Linda Zackin, coordinator
- Freestate Pottery, Terri Olsen, coordinator
- Pine Ridge Pottery – one ton of stoneware clay was donated by Campbell's Ceramic Supply through their representative, Rob Van Rens.

Individuals who donated extra glazes and/or kiln firings and others who coordinated bowl collections:

Mary Kay Crowley	Ann Andersen, Kiln Club and Thomas Jefferson Center
Tig Dupre	Phil Berneburg, Glen Echo Ceramics Program
Annette Hansen	Lis Burrows, Wakefield Recreation Center
Claire Hasselbeck	Dennis Davis, Torpedo Factory
Lucy Johnson	Nancy Hodges, Art League Pottery Department
Meredith McEver	
Taube Wilson	
Linda Zackin	

Area collecting sites:

Freestate Pottery, Kensington, MD
Manassas Clay, Manassas, VA
Northern Virginia Community College,
Alexandria Campus, Bill Schran
Creative Clay Studios, Alexandria, VA

Other

Wheel demonstrations by Washington-Lee students, Joan Bickelhaupt, teacher.
Joan Brown coordinated a bowl making event with the Girl Scout Troop #2502,
St. Joseph's School, Herndon, VA.
Economy Party Supplies of Falls Church donated balloons.
Eurest Dining Services donated sturdy plastic trays for our use.
Hudson Street Pottery donated postage, printing, etc.

Photographer

Jan Filsinger

If we inadvertently left someone off, we regret the error.

The Beneficiaries This Year Are:

Food for Others

Food for Others is a network of over 1,000 volunteers and a staff of eight who are dedicated to assuring a food source for Northern Virginia's needy. We fill emergency food requests at our warehouse, distribute food at 16 sites throughout the region, and support the feeding operations of approximately 50 other charitable organizations. Food for Others gathers food by regular collections, food drives, and gleaning produce from USDA and farmers's markets. We occupy a 10,730 sf warehouse in Merrifield, VA where these operations are conducted within a system of strict accountability. We have many volunteer opportunities.



So Others Might Eat (SOME)

SOME, So Others Might Eat, exists to help the poor and destitute of Washington. We provide direct services to the most needy and most vulnerable of our city, especially individuals that are poor, elderly and live on the streets or in shelters.



Begun as a soup kitchen in 1970, SOME has evolved into a comprehensive human services organization whose mission is two-fold: first, to meet people's basic needs, and second, to help them overcome what keeps them homeless and destitute.

SOME administers over 20 programs designed to break the cycle of homelessness through affordable housing, job training programs, drug addiction treatment facilities, day programs for the elderly and people with mental illness, counseling, and comprehensive medical, behavioral, and dental care.

United Community Ministries (UCM)

The purpose of UCM's Basic Needs program is twofold: 1) to provide concrete emergency assistance, including financial assistance for rent, mortgage and utilities; medical and dental, and prescription financial help; in-kind assistance of used clothing, furniture and household items from UCM's Back Porch Thrift Shop; and food and toiletries from UCM's Food Pantry; and 2) to provide crisis information and referral services, including budget counseling; referrals to UCM's Employment Center, and the Bryant Early Learning (BEL) Center for childcare, legal/tax clinics; negotiations with landlords and utility companies; and many more. For many families, this second level of service opens doors to greater self-sufficiency and crisis prevention.



Empty Bowls 2003 Committee

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