

... I was hungry
and you gave me
food,
I was thirsty
and you gave me
drink,
I was a stranger
and you welcomed
me ...

BREAD LINES

OUR DAILY BREAD NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2010

Over 800,000
meals served.

May Day Remembered?

by Chris Schmidt,
2010 Anniversary Dinner Coordinator

The anniversary celebration this year fell on May Day, so it wasn't surprising to see some extra flowers around, feel a balmy May evening, or hear birds singing in the background (even complimenting the music of the Peninsula Banjo Band). The band got us off to a lively start with foot tapping music on the patio together with wine and punch and appetizers. Many like to

arrive early for these events to make sure one has time to sample all the food (especially Elaine Ho's Won Tons), chat with friends, and be a part of the festive mood. I even saw a few people dancing (to the banjos!), many singing, and almost everyone smiling.



Volunteers, guests and supporters enjoy hors d'oeuvre and entertainment on the patio before dinner.

The Art Institute – Sunnyvale International Culinary Academy were our

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OUR DAILY BREAD serves hot nutritious meals to hungry people three days each week. Anyone is served without regard to race, color, national origin, immigration status, age, gender, or disability. Regular serving hours are 11:15-12:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Leona Beattie

Leona was born in Everett, Washington October 18, 1918, and died at home in Folsom, California April 21, 2010. For 22 years she was an outstanding volunteer who we all knew and loved. No job was left undone when Leona was present. In 1996 she and Ralph Ritucci received Bread Loaf awards because of their industrious work scraping plates. In 2000, Leona was part of an illustrious foursome who received the Bread Loaf award as The Salad Crew, with Betty Boardman Martin, Brother Al Salz, and Ruth Paul.

In addition to salad making and plate scraping, Leona figured out that young children liked peanut butter sandwiches, so she'd make them and we called that menu a "cold tot". Even when her arthritis bothered her she'd cut and peel veggies and fruit, butter the bread, serve food, scrape plates, and help clean the



dining hall.

Leona was extremely musical, as was her husband Cec, who was also an ODB volunteer. At one of our ODB Volunteers dinners, the two of them performed for us. They both sang in their church choir and were very devoted to their faith and helping those in need. Wonderful mentors for all of us!

Leona knew what was going on in the dining hall and enjoyed the close encounters with our guests as they brought their plates to be scraped.

She made the effort of learning the children's names and presented them with afghans knitted with their favorite colors, or something else handmade. She also sewed on cute animals or whatever where food stains would wreck a shirt!

Thank you for all these wonderful memories!

May Day Remembered? (cont'd from page 1)

chefs again this year and different teams from them prepared appetizers, salads, the main course and dessert. David Barnes was the Master of Ceremonies and James Tedrow performed many magic tricks to puzzle and delight us through the evening. But we all know that the purpose of the evening (even more than having fun) is to honor our volunteers and let them know how much their work is appreciated.

The Bread Loaf award this year went to Bob and Lolita Rolufs. Bob has been at ODB for over 20 years and has been an important part of the Kitchen Crew, Lolita is more recently a full time volunteer but has always stood behind Bob (and when needed in place of him).

We also honored our Sous Chefs who have had to take on much more work and responsibility after Arnold Siegel could not work. Certificates were given to Chi Chao, Sam Doong, David Farrell, Susan Latshaw, Norma Marshchin, Art Peterson, and Bob Rolufs.



Lolita and Bob Rolufs

And we had the unveiling of the Bread Loaf perpetual plaque which lists all the previous winners of the award and is now hanging in the kitchen. Naturally David Barnes got all of the different teams to stand-up; some of us who work on different days are always happy to see and meet those who also do "our job".

Volunteers and donors are what make Our Daily Bread so effective, and volunteers and donors are what make these anniversary events a real celebration. I do want to thank one volunteer that has made putting these dinners together very easy in the last few years. Too few people are aware of all the work that Paula Maggiora puts into the planning and execution from designing the fliers that announce the event months in advance to taking and checking reservations and planning how to get us all into the hall on the night of the party. Someone else will need to do this next year; perhaps you are the next Paula.

I suspect that if you made the dinner this year you had a good time and I hope that you are already looking forward to joining us next year.

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Nancy Aderhold

Nancy, a long time member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, helped vote in the ODB program and served on the Board of Directors in the early days. She was officially a geriatric social worker during her working years, so her desire to help those in need steered her naturally to ODB.



Born in Memphis, Tennessee

on May 2, 1933, she retained a southern charm and an obvious love of life. She married her high school sweetheart, Jon Aderhold, and had a full life. She loved people, travel, and adventure and had a strong faith. She died peacefully April 25, 2010, at home in Palo Alto surrounded by her family and loved ones.

Sept. 16

It's Time for a Picnic

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Please join us for a picnic on *Thursday, September 16*. We will start around 1 p.m. in Washington Park, across the street from ODB. Please call (408-736-4108) or sign up on the bulletin board in the Prep Room so we'll know how many are coming. Beverages and main entrée will be provided. If you would like, feel free to bring your favorite salad or desert or snack item.

During the event we will take some time to honor Leona Beattie.

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ODB Recognized As Outstanding Community Partner



NOVA's Youth Employment Program is counting on ODB as a partner because we have provided employment opportunities to some of the hardest to serve youth participating in this work experience program. David Barnes, ODB's Program Manager, accepted this award May 26th at the 19th Annual CONNECT! Awards Luncheon.

With David's leadership and hard work, ODB has taken on the challenge of training NOVA's youth with an open heart and mind in the many jobs we experience at ODB. NOVA staff appreciate not only the impact ODB has made on the community at large, but also the opportunities that we have provided to NOVA clients through the years. Without us, many youth might not have had the chance to gain essential work skills, or to learn the value of work, or to feel the satisfaction of a job well done, or to work together as a team.

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The ODB Board for 2010-2011

Spring is a time of renewal, even for the ODB board. At our June meeting some members and officers retired and new ones were added. So here are some cameos of the updated board:

New President – Chris Schmidt – Chris has worked at ODB for only the last few years. He is hard to find since his job is Trader Joe’s pick-up on Tuesdays and Thursdays (but right now he is home with a medical issue). But Chris has been involved in ODB since inception as a member of St. Thomas and was on the Vestry (parish council) when Harold Anderson first presented the idea.

New Vice President – Kathy Meagher – Kathy is no newcomer; she has worked at ODB at different periods amounting to at least 18 years over the past 24 years, always on Fridays. She started as a server, switched to washing pots and pans, and now is on the dishwashing team. Look for her near the dishwasher the next time you’re in on a Friday.

New Member – Susan Latshaw – Susan started cooking for ODB after retiring as a school librarian for 40 years. Her first surprise was the difference between cooking at home for fun and cooking for 300 people. Fortunately, she started when Arnold was still active so she got a great education in team cooking for large numbers of people. She is looking forward to being on an additional team, the ODB Board.

New Member – Melanie Thomas - No longer able to work as an executive assistant, Melanie has been volunteering at ODB for three years. She is primarily responsible for the desserts and picks up donations from Nob Hill, Starbucks, and Lucky. You can see her at full speed unloading her car and then slicing cakes and pies in the prep room. Her energy is remarkable. In addition to ODB, she also volunteers in the monthly food program and the annual Christmas store at Sunnyvale Community Services. She delivers food to housebound seniors and shares extra donations with the Salvation Army. Her leisure time is filled with music, nature, and travel.

The other officers are Donna Beres (Secretary) and Chuck Thompson (Treasurer).

Recent retirements from the board are Bob Luetz (past President) and Paula Maggiora (past Vice President). Many thanks to them for multiple years of service on the board plus their years of volunteering as dishwashers on Wednesdays.

Some people think that the board is the authority for ODB, but the board is really a service organization for the volunteers and for our Program Manager David Barnes. The board’s du-

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Pantry Needs

The following donations would be appreciated:

Creamy Peanut Butter

Mayonnaise

Jam or Jelly

Sugar

Paper Place Mats

Coffee (Regular)

Dinner-size Napkins

Powdered Milk



ODB can accept any foods that are commercially packaged or prepared, as well as garden produce. (Health regulations prevent us from accepting anything that has been prepared at home). The preferred times to drop off contributions are Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 8:00 AM until noon. If other arrangements are necessary, please call ODB at (408)736-4108.

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ties are to be sure that all have the tools that they need to do their jobs, that a reasonable budget is in place together with a plan for bringing in any necessary funds, that we have a safe environment, and that ODB can live up to the excellent reputation which has been built up over the years. Our hope and goal is that ODB is an enjoyable place to work for everyone. That means that if you see a way to make ODB a better place feel free to talk to any of the board members.

The complete board is: Donna Beres, Susan Latshaw, Fran Lusk, Kathy Meagher, George Alan Purchase, Chris Schmidt, Chuck Thompson, and Marjorie Webster. Non voting and emeritus members include David Barnes, the Rev. Wendy Smith, Jan Camp, Gage McKinney, and the parish administrator and treasurer of St. Thomas.



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Staff — Jan Camp, editor; Chuck Thompson, design editor; David Barnes, program manager.

The Board of Directors holds bi-monthly public meetings. Voting board members: Chris Schmidt, president; Kathy Meagher, vice president; Donna Beres, secretary; Chuck Thompson, treasurer; Susan Latshaw; Fran Lusk; George Alan Purchase; Melanie Thomas; Marjorie Webster. Non-voting members: David Barnes, program manager; The Rev. Wendy Smith, rector; Jan Camp, Emeritus; Gage McKinney, Emeritus.

Upcoming board meeting: Tuesday, Apr. 10, at noon in the Disciples Room at St. Thomas Episcopal Church.



REMINDERS

Important Dates

Tues., Aug. 10Board meeting
Thur., Sep. 16.....Volunteer picnic
Tues., Oct. 12.....Board meeting

Donations

Please see **page 7** for donating food items. For cash donations, please mail us your check or visit our website at <http://www.stthomas-svale.org/odb/> and click on the donate button. Your support is always needed and greatly appreciated.

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