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### SKIP OPENS FOR INDOOR DINING!

Welcome SKIP guests, volunteers and supporters to the latest issue of SKIP SCOOP. This newsletter will update you on what's happening at the Soup Kitchen in Provincetown (SKIP), including upcoming events and special services.

First and foremost, SKIP will reopen for its 29th season on Monday, November 1, from 12:30pm until 1:30 pm. We will once again be serving indoors at the Provincetown United Methodist Church (PUMC) on Shank Painter Road. "To-go" meals will also be available. We're happy to offer indoor dining since this helps foster the community spirit that is such an important part of our mission.

Due to PUMC Covid-19 safety rules, all diners must wear masks covering both their mouths and noses at all times, except when seated at a table and actively eating or drinking. There will also be a limit of 80 people in the dining room. Once our greeter counts 80 guests, others will be directed to pick up a "to-go" lunch.

Please join us for lunch each weekday from November through April, and read this newsletter to get the latest SKIP news. To receive each issue by email, just add your name and email address to the sign-up sheet at every lunch, or go to our website, www.skipfood.org.

Thank you to all the volunteers, staff and donors who make our lunches possible. Thanks also to all our board members, who work tirelessly year-round and serve their community without pay.

Best regards,

# Phil

### WHAT'S COOKING

We've been busy preparing the menu for the upcoming season. Good news! Asian Fridays are back with our wonderful volunteer cook, Jackie! Check out the lunch menu at **skipfood.org/menu**.



SKIP is happy to announce that Gina Larkin is our new Executive Chef. Gina is not technically new to SKIP, since she served us well as chef in 2011. Gina arrived on Cape Cod in 2010 from Boston, where she worked at a Harvard dining hall as well as at various non-profits, including Women's Lunch Place and Boston Living Center. Since her arrival on the Cape, she has worked in Provincetown at Fanizzi's, Liz's Café and Cosmo's Catering and in Wellfleet at the Blue Willow



Café. SKIP is delighted to have Gina back, especially since she prepares the excellent comfort food that our guests favored in our annual survey.

### **VOLUNTEER NEWS**



SKIP held it's Volunteer Orientation Meeting on October 19th in the dining room. We reviewed the kitchen and serving procedures, scheduling process and COVID precautions with over 70 new and returning volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please go to **www.skipfood.org/volunteer** to sign-up.

Volunteers, to learn all the information that was covered in the orientation session, please refer to the **SKIP Volunteer Handbook** 

Volunteer

## **GIVING THANKS**





#### THE CLUB HOLDS SKIP BENEFIT

Special shout out of thanks goes to Frank Christopher, Emily Minowitz and all of the musicians of <u>The Club Provincetown</u>! Frank and his team of talented musicians hosted a musical benefit for SKIP on October 16th. Performers we'd like to thank personally are Qya Cristal (vocals), Eleanor & Darío Vocals & guitar), Dennis Flaherty (vocals), Mike Flanagan(Piano and Sax), Ron Ormsby (bass), and Bart Weisman (Drums). All of us at SKIP thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

## REMEMBRANCE

Brian Reardon passed away May 18, 2021 Brian was a loyal volunteer for SKIP for many years. He had a big heart with a sweet smile to match. Brian was very philanthropic and involved in the community. In addition to SKIP, he volunteered at the Arlington Street Church in Boston, and the Unitarian Universalist Meeting House in Provincetown, where he was a supporter and occasional member of the choir. He also worked on the front desk at Seashore Point.

Brian, you are missed by all of us at SKIP.



**Klara Muller** passed away October 8, 2021. Klara was a longtime fixture at SKIP's daily lunches. She greeted volunteers and staff with newsy bits she'd gathered from the friends and acquaintances she'd made in her many years as a Provincetown resident. Even though her allies described her as a "tough lady," she was fair-minded and always expressed gratitude for the kindnesses shown her—particularly in her later years. Rest in peace, Klara. We'll miss seeing you in the serving line.



# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**OCTOBER 30 -** Halloween/Spooky Bear Costume Party in Red Room at Velvet, benefitting Provincetown Business Guild and Soup Kitchen In Provincetown For details: **ptown.org/halloween** 

**NOVEMBER 1:** First lunch of the season at 12:30

**NOVEMBER 4 - 7:** Provincetown Food & Wine Festival

**NOVEMBER TBD:** Health Screening by County Health Department Nurse

**NOVEMBER 26:** November Birthday Celebration

**DECEMBER 4:** Souper Saturday @ Tin Pan Alley

www.skipfood.org/events

**EVENTS** 

**SERVICES** 

#### **HEALTH PROGRAM**

The Program involves health monitoring with the Barnstable County Public Health Nurses for any SKIP guest who wants it. A registered nurse will be on-site to provide blood pressure and glucose testing. The program is completely confidential for every participant and will be offered twice a month during SKIP's season.

#### **HOMELESS PREVENTION COUNCIL**

The Homeless Prevention Council has office hours in Provincetown from 10 - 2 daily at the Provincetown United Methodist Church. For more information, please refer to their website.

www.hpccapecod.org/provincetown-community-support

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Are you physically unable to get to SKIP? We are looking to expand our meal service by offering delivery to those who need it. Please call the SKIP office at **508-487-8331** to let us know about your special need.

#### **CROP SWAP IS UP AND RUNNING**

It is a program sponsored by the Ptown Health Department, the Ptown Public Library and SKIP. Crop Swap is Ptown's source for fresh, uncut fruits and vegetables and is open year round. Anyone may donate fresh fruits and vegetables, and all are welcome to take what they need. All fruits and vegetables are free. **Please bring your own bag.** 

Crop Swap is located in the Ptown Library, 356 Commercial Street, to the left as you enter the front doors. Hours are:

Mondays & Fridays: 10-4:30

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays: 10 - 7:30

Saturdays & Sundays: 1 - 4:30

There is a refrigerator for perishable items and shelves with bins for non-perishables, such as potatoes and squash. Be sure to take advantage of this valuable resource.

# FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL TO SUPPORT SKIP



The Provincetown Food & Wine Festival is a new annual event to celebrate local chefs & restaurants while exploring exceptional wines. They have chosen to generously donate a portion of their proceeds to SKIP.

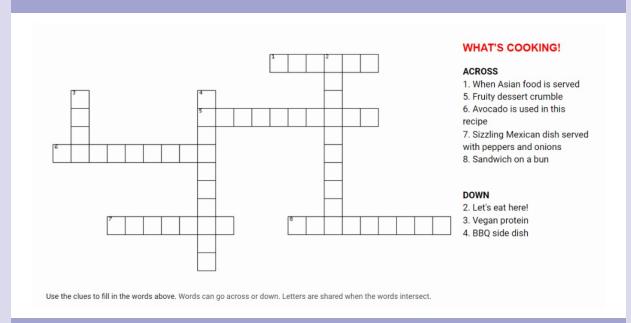
<u>ptownfoodandwinefestival.com</u>

# **SMILE WITH SKIP:-)**

Did you know that simply by shopping at Amazon, you can support SKIP? Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to the Soup Kitchen in Provincetown (SKIP). Just remember, to start each shopping session at the URL **smile.amazon.com** and select Soup Kitchen in Provincetown Inc. to receive your donation.



# **PUZZLING!**



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