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"I am that Bread of Life"
John 6:48



The Ladies of
"Our Daily Bread"

May 2005

*We bring you wonderful taste as well as the feeling of home,
of times gone by, of good quality, of healthy food and warm hearts.*

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the
earth, so are my ways higher than your
ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

– Isaiah 55:8-9

Anna & Nicholas stopped by the Bake Shoppe last week. As we often do, we asked them where they were from and welcomed them to Barnes. They answered with a definite accent... "We're from Sweden". I started to laugh, I thought they were joking. Well, so I assumed they were originally from Sweden and now lived in the U.S. No Again... "Well how did you get here? I asked. "Well, we got on the plane in Sweden..." Oh, my goodness...they really are from Sweden! As the conversation continued and continued we gave them the royal Barnes treatment and a tour of the Park and Garden Room, I felt like I had known them for a long time. I guess you call it a Kindred Spirit. They had actually flown into Omaha, rented a car, and started driving, just looking for the wide open spaces. I asked them "What were you looking for?" They reached out their hands in an open gesture and said, "What we have found here"!

I don't know why I should continually be amazed at what is happening in our little community. Those of us who are in the middle of this most amazing thing do not completely understand it. Two years ago when the Barnes Mercantile opened its doors and so many things began to happen I sat at a table with Dan Thalmann, the

editor of the Washington County News, and I remember saying, "When this is all written, the story will be..." The Lord has done this thing." He replied, "but, no one will believe it", to which I followed "but it will be ours to say".

Continually, we are questioned and many around us are trying to figure out how a small rural town can do what has been done here. The answer is simple. We did not do it. We continually ask for His guidance, for we know that it is not us. For some reason He has chosen to Bless us...the one thing that we are to do is to give the Glory to Him. If there is anything that we have worked at ...it has been our listening, asking what He wants and not relying on our wisdom or thoughts.

.....Blessings!

.....The Ladies of Our Daily Bread

..Just wanted you folks to know how much my sister (from Waterville) and I enjoyed our lunch at your restaurant about three weeks ago when I was visiting from Massachusetts. Our waitress, Yvonne was so kind She is also a fine waitress and very helpful with suggestions, etc. I thoroughly enjoy your place and the food is delicious. Will look forward to stopping by again on my next visit to Kansas. The best to you all.

Ginny Mills
Carlisle, MA

What a wonderful "find"...
... close to our home....
...Bonnie Nespore, Manhattan, Kansas



"The Crew" and their dates were our guests at the "Spring Dinner Event" in April. These distinguished looking young people are students at Riley county High School. They arrived in a white limousine and we loved having them as our guests.

Join us for our June Event...

Tropical Nights

Saturday, June 18th

A Buffet Event

Featuring
*Pulled Pork, Tequila Lime Chicken
& Jerk Chicken Wings
Tropical Salads & Desserts*

Festive Music – Tropical Attire

Seating at 5pm; 6:30pm; 8:00pm
\$16.95 per person - Call for Reservations

Upcoming Events in Barnes:

May 14th: Junior Miss Competition at the Barnes Gym 7pm

June 5th - June 18th: "The Kansas Painter", Julia Hodges, will be working on the Mural at "Our Daily Bread"

June 12th: Annual Barnes Water Garden Tours

June 18th: Tropical Nights Event at Our Daily Bread

July 16th: All American Festival Event at Our Daily Bread with Pan Fried Chicken - Family Style. Let's Celebrate Family!

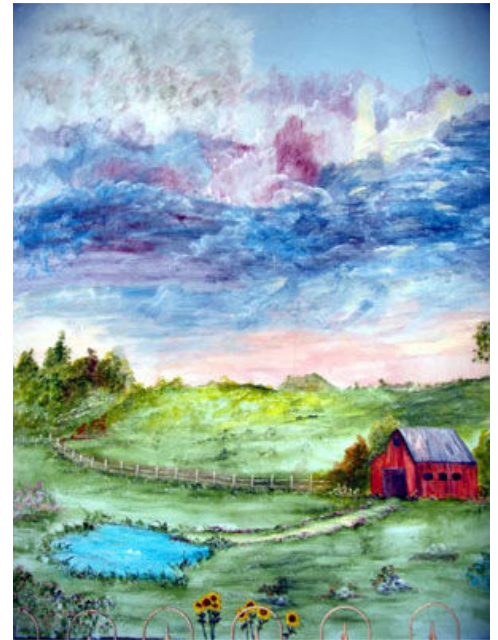


We had the pleasure of hosting a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Don Roepke on April 16th, complete with red carpet, and valet parking. We love Don and Ruth Ann and wish her many more birthdays to come!

Julia Hodges is...

the Kansas Painter and she will be visiting the Bake Shoppe June 5th through the 20th. To the right is the first part of the mural that Julia started on the wall of the Garden Room last year, and she is coming back to work her way to the east. On any day that she may feel like it, Julia will be working on the mural. Stop by for lunch and you may get a chance to meet her. She will also be at the Tropical Nights Event on June 18th.

Julia was born the 9th of 10 children. She grew up in Blue Rapids, Kansas and married in 1948 to Bill Hodges. They moved to a farm near Irving Kansas. She loved the farm but when Tuttle Creek Dam was built they moved to Denver. They lived there for about 4 years and got homesick again for Kansas. They lived in Manhattan, Kansas for a year and then moved to Kansas City, Missouri and spent 4-5 years there. The time came when Bill's health was bad and the Dr. said a dry climate, so they tried California, but that didn't work, so they went to Phoenix. She truly loves it in Phoenix and it is the place she calls home. She has always loved to draw and paint, and watched her sisters, Wilma and Florine, and thought "maybe I could do that too", so she hunted for a teacher.



The first one wasn't one she could learn from. She sat in a corner and smoked and told us to start painting. Later she found "The Adult Center" run by the City of Phoenix and a wonderful teacher who really knew how to teach. Julia continued with her until she retired, then she decided to learn Palette Knife. She loved the teacher, but she kept forgetting to come to work, so Julia would end up helping the other students and was finally offered the Job. She has been teaching for 25 years and would like to retire, but she has been told..."Not till You Die". She has sold lots of paintings and has given away lots of them. She has two classes a week with 10 to 15 students in each class. She loves the work and getting paid is just a fringe benefit. *Blessing!...Julia!*

OUR LUNCH IS SPECIAL! Our Daily Bread serves lunch Monday thru Saturday , 11:00am – 2:30pm. If you have not been here before – I'll let you in on the secret. We don't have A Special, we have 4 or 5 to choose from. Your meal includes tea or coffee, your choice of our delicious, made from scratch entrees and sides, and of course your choice of homemade pie or any of our delicious desserts. We hope to see you soon! Come by and let us treat you **Special!**

There is a DVD available called **"Barnes – The Story of a Small Town in Kansas"**. All proceeds of the DVD go to the Barnes Preservation Fund. \$15.95 ea. Call 866-50-BREAD or email " ourdailybread@barnesks.net " to request a copy.



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