

# Another Great Taste of Indian Spring

By Holly Rothrock

have always known how special our community is but that was reaffirmed on March 30th at the latest Taste of Indian Spring. It was an interesting year, as our very own Social Chair Extraordinaire, Celeste Dillen was caring for her newborn baby. The community had to come together and do justice to the Taste of Indian Spring. Thanks to Allegra Tasaki and her coordination efforts, it was another successful

year. I also want to acknowledge the many others who worked hard to make the event seamless. Rachel Haas coordinated the restaurants that Mary Zaudtke, Arlene Montemarano, Walter Gottlieb, and Allegra Tasaki solidified as participants. Heather Sauter worked as the Highland View Elementary School PTA Coordinator who, along with Amber Khan, worked with Principal Anne Dardarian to host the event at the school.

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By Walter J. Gottlieb, APRIL, 2009

WHAT CAN SAY? I was really impressed by this year's Taste of Indian Spring. We had food from 12 different Silver Spring restaurants, offering a great cross-cultural sampling of cuisines: Adega Wine Cellars and Café, Across the Street Café, Chick-fil-A, Cold Stone Creamery, Dream Dinners, El Golfo, Fuddruckers, Jerry Subs & Pizza with Carvel, Langano, McGinty's Public House, Nicaro, and Z Pizza. One volunteer who helped with the event, was so moved by the generosity of the participating restaurants, that she will be purchasing a platter from each contributor for a personal event. A little generosity goes a long way in our community.

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I also want to give special thanks to the committee of ISCA members who put together this year's event—including Allegra Tasaki, Holly Rothrock, Rachel Haas, Mary Zaudtke, Arlene Montemarano, Heather Sauter, Amber Khan (Highland View PTA President), Diane and James Tyler, Bob Tiller, Joe Kowal, Jennifer Chambers, Sue Wilson, Chaz Miller, Arlene Gottlieb, Dave Schieber, and Liz Caron. Thanks also to the ubiquitous Jimmy Bingo for providing the soundtrack for the evening. (I feel like I've seen that guy somewhere before.) I also want to acknowledge Board Member and Social Committee Chair Celeste Raker-Dillen for setting the Taste in motion before her baby was born. Best wishes to Celeste and her family. It was great seeing all of you there.

I am happy to report that ISCA's fiscal condition is improving, thanks, of course, to membership renewals, our slightly higher (but still eminently affordable) membership fee, and our expanding advertising sales for the

newsletter. The newsletter is one of the things about ISCA that I'm proudest of, and I'd like to acknowledge our newsletter Editors, Tony Hausner and Elizabeth Magin, and the layout team of Audrey Cowgill and Ali Breen for putting out a quality product.

It seems as if Spring is flying by already (if that's possible to say at the end of March). We still could use some fresh faces on ISCA's Board and committees. The Board and officer elections are coming up in May, so please consider putting your name in the ring and/or volunteering a little time for ISCA. Most of us are willing and able to continue serving, but we welcome any new additions with energy and ideas to contribute. It's the involvement of neighbors like you who make this neighborhood unique.

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My first impression of the night was how much energy our volunteers brought to making sure the event went off without a hitch. We had Diane and James Tyler, Bob Tiller, Joe Kowal, Arlene Montemarano, and Jim Hoskinson lifting tables, picking up food from participating restaurants, and placing signs while Catherine David and Mary Zaudtke made sure the final touches were complete and that all was set by 6:30 p.m. when the crowd was ready to dive into the spread that was before them. And of course, there is no event without the helping hands of the servers:

Jennifer Chambers, Sue Wilson, Chaz Miller, Arlene Gottlieb, Diane Tyler, Liz Caron and Catherine David. To create the perfect ambiance, we had Jim Hoskinson and his MC talents.

Inside the all-purpose room, neighbors were relaxed, sharing meals and laughs—after all, no cooking for a night! Children took their art to the pavement with sidewalk chalk, enjoying a beautiful spring night outside. And to add to the community feel, Councilmembers George Leventhal and Marc Elrich joined in the fun. A complete set of photos can be seen at iscaonline.com.

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(Toba Hausner photo)

Young Tasters on stage (Toba Hausner photo)

## Taste of ISCA, continued from page 4

My second impression of the night was, WOW, there are many great restaurants in our community. It was a year of delectable and delicious dishes from the 12 participating restaurants. It was great to see how the variety of food provided by our restaurant sponsors reflected the diversity of our community. From shepherds pie, pizza, spicy chickpeas, lentils, teriyaki meatballs, salmon crudités, a feast was had by all. For those of you who weren't able to make the event, I've listed our contributors as follows (Be sure to patronize them when you can; they were all VERY GENEROUS in supporting our community):

Adega Wine Cellars and Café, Across the Street Café, Chick-fil-A, Cold Stone Creamery, Dream Dinners, El Golfo, Fuddruckers, Jerry Subs & Pizza with Carvel, Langano, McGinty's Public House, Nicaro, and Z Pizza.

When it was time to say goodnight, the place was left in tact thanks to the many volunteers listed above as well as Robi Gondi and Liz Hunter. When you see your neighbors who have been listed in this article, please take the time to give them a pat on the back, hug, or handshake, and tell them how much you appreciated their work.

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Chaz Miller serves food (Toba Hausner photo)

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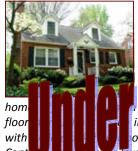


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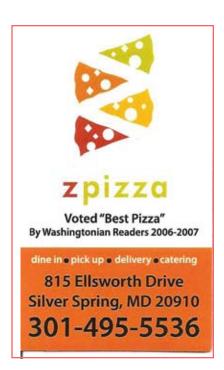
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We want to give a special thank you to the restaurants for making the Taste of ISCA event possible.

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