



NEWS & NOTES

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for our
21st Annual Turkey Trot**

**Thanksgiving Morning
Thursday
November 28th, 2013
Fairmont Park**

**Five Mile Race
One Mile
Family Fun Run/Walk**

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Turkey Trot



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NEW FACES @ FACE TO FACE

Altenor Vaval

In July Altenor Vaval became the new chef at the Face to Face Dining Room. A native of Haiti, Altenor cooks for our Dining Room guests the same way he cooks at home with care and love. He explains if the people are not happy, he is not happy. The people are definitely happy and so are the children from our Back to School Camp who Altenor surprised with tasty treats and lunches.

Altenor is an excellent cook who has brought new recipes to our Dining Room with a focus on fresh, nutritious foods. He explains his philosophy this way;

"Sometimes you have to shine in other people's lives. You have to be able to understand where each person is coming from to be able to help them; you cannot compare the people against each other." His goal is to make the environment nurturing and pleasant; with that in mind he hopes to introduce some innovations like music in the Dining Room.



Sabu Hubert

We also recently welcomed Sabu Hubert as our new facilities and security manager. Sabu lives nearby with his wife and seven-year old twins; he knows the neighborhood and has a feel for the needs of our guests. In addition to his



responsibilities as facilities and security manager, Sabu oversees our Washeteria. He makes it a priority to learn each guest's name and spends time listening to their stories. He has learned that our clients face daunting daily struggles. It is by listening and getting to know our people that Sabu refers them to our other programs. Sabu aims to provide security while maintaining the welcoming atmosphere that permeates Face to Face.

Tara Monihan, MSW

Tara, a social worker with over 25 years of experience, became our new Director of Social Services in February. Tara had attended Face to Face events for years so she was very familiar with its mission and programs. She is struck by how many clients live day to day with no long term plan or safety net. Many clients have neither photo ID nor a social security card. Mental illness is a major contributor to her client's difficulties. Tara has been seeing 70 clients a month with problems ranging from addiction to lack of housing.

She finds that she has to take many clients to their appointments because they are incapable of getting to them on their own. Other clients come in just to talk about their struggles with someone who cares about them.

Housing and employment have been huge issues this summer; soon lack of utilities will be the dominant problem as the cold weather arrives. Tara often refers her clients to our Legal and Health Centers for further help with their many problems .



WISH LIST

Your in-kind donations are greatly appreciated and allow us to continually meet the needs of our Germatown community. We couldn't do it without you!

Coffee
5 lb. Bags of Sugar
Toothbrushes and Toothpaste
Deodorant
Shampoo
Body Lotion
Plastic Grocery Bags
Large Kitchen Dishtowels
White All-Purpose Paper for Copiers and Printers
No. 10 Envelopes

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Items may be dropped off at Face to Face Fridays through Tuesdays from 9AM to 3PM.
Call 215-849-0179 for additional information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interested in volunteering?
Contact Patty McDonough, Volunteer Coordinator, at

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