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Fund raiser on March 9 will benefit Town of Warwick food organizations

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Photos



The Empty Bowls 2013 planning committee and community representatives are, beginning in the front row from left to right: Louise Hutchison, Glenn P. Dickes, Susan D. Dickes, John Metzger, Suzanne Rupp and Deb Holton-Smith. In the back row, from the left, are: Jay Rowland, Dr. Ray Bryant, Shirley Puett, Mary Schweitzer, Deb Bernstein, Sharon Galbraith, Lois Radon, Gianna Rotondo, Victoria Garloch and Carrie Garloch.

WARWICK — Community members are invited to join the fight against local hunger at Warwick Valley Empty Bowls 2013 on Friday, March 8, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Warwick Valley High School.

The evening event will feature live bands, student musicians, kids' games and activities, pottery demonstrations, silent auction and a community meal, served continuously, of gourmet soups, fresh bread

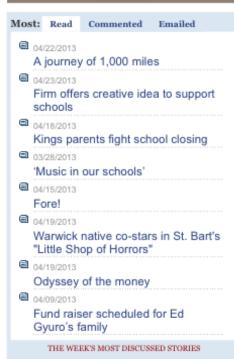
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Activities

Area musicians also will perform:

5 p.m. - Laura Birdsong and Steve Vecchiotti, a folk/rock duet.

6 p.m. - Michael Purcell, voted Times Herald-Record's "Best Jazz Musician" 2013.

7:15 p.m.- Zephyr, a vocal ensemble.



In addition, several high school and middle school musical students and groups will perform.

The silent auction will feature many wonderful donated items, with bidding from 5 to 7 p.m. and pickup from 7 to 8 p.m. An auction preview will be available on the Empty Bowls Web site before the event, with postings including sponsor name and link, item description and photograph.

The community service participation of local high school students is an important aspect of the fund raiser. In addition to student chefs, volunteers from

service clubs will assist with setup, serving, cleanup and help Lion's Club volunteers run kids' games and activities.

The design on the Empty Bowls 2013 poster was created by WVHS graduate Eliza Bender.

Empty Bowls 2013 proceeds will benefit five organizations, encompassing the entire Town of Warwick, that provide food or meals to those in need: the Backpack Snack Attack program for students, Florida Community Food Pantry, Greenwood Lake Food Pantry, Warwick Community Kitchen in Pine Island and the Warwick Ecumenical Food Pantry.

Essential information

Tickets are \$10. Children age 3 and under will be admitted free.

Tickets will be available at the door and are also being sold in advance by local churches, service organizations and businesses Toy Chest and Track 7.

For information, schedule, musician web site links, silent auction item descriptions and photographs, sponsor list and more, go to: www.warwickvalleyemptybowls.org.

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