



# Greensburg Community Bread of Life Monthly Newsletter

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*"So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy." John 16:22*

## From the Executive Director

Greetings Friends,

Recently, we were all very shocked at the sudden passing of Merrill Smith. I want to tell you a little about his volunteer involvement at GC Bread of Life. Merrill began volunteering at GC Bread of Life as a delivery driver in 2008. Merrill was a board member for 6 years and served as Board President in 2010. He was a part of the team who got Bread of Life into its 2nd location, (700 Randall, currently the Garments of Grace). When we had that building renovated by Leonard Schoettmer Jr., it was Merrill who introduced me to "Junior", his friend. When Merrill retired from his career with hog insemination, he rescued food for Bread of Life from Walmart, Aldi, and wherever needed, up to the last week of his life. Merrill was my go-to guy. He even washed dishes and kept them up in the dish room area for a few years. He enjoyed the Kitchen because we had fun. Merrill always made sure someone was thanked before they left through the door. Merrill would torment Ashley and call her "Betty Crapper" when she was baking instead of Betty Crocker. He teased, joked, and could dish it out and take it.

In 2017, he spearheaded our Farmers Feeding the Flock fundraiser and was the coordinator for the first year and the years to follow. A friend of Merrill's (also a BOL board member) stepped up to continue with this year's Farmers Feeding the Flock campaign with Brewsaugh Family Farm, in memory of Bob Brewsaugh. Merrill was so proud to work on this project; it was so much fun to learn about farming and to give new awareness to those non-farmers about how much farmers do for our county. This fundraiser will continue in the years ahead.

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Merrill believed in people helping people in need, so he was passionate about the Bread of Life. He often would drive someone to their destination or bring food to someone going through a rough patch. The last day he and I spoke, he was putting together a food box for a needy family and asked me about items to gather for it. Sometimes when you lose a loved one you tend only to remember good things and things get exaggerated. Merrill was truly a great human being and lived his life like we are called to, love God, and love others. He was a true servant of the Lord.

**Psalm 116:15 "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints".**

May you honor his memory and be there for others in need.

Blessings ahead, *Melissa*

In loving memory, *Tina Sweeney*



# Farmers Feeding the Flock

The Greensburg Community Bread of Life fundraiser Farmer's Feeding the Flock field was planted on Saturday afternoon April 27th. This year's field is a 20-acre cornfield provided by Brewsaugh Family Farms located at Sandusky. The field is "In Memory of Bob Brewsaugh" who gave so much to our community before passing away from cancer.

This is the 7th year for Farmers Feeding the Flock Fundraiser. In addition to raising money to help people in need, the project helps educate the community about the cost and risk of crop farming and promotes agriculture, as agriculture truly is The Bread of Life.



[Learn More About Farmers Feeding the Flock](#)



# More Bites

## Recipe of the Month

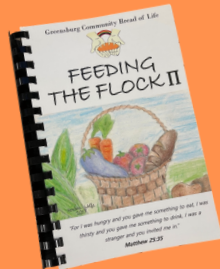
### Cheddar Meat Loaves

from Darleen & Jerry Fox

#### Ingredients


- 1 egg
  - 3/4 cup milk
  - 1 (8 oz) shredded mild cheddar cheese
  - 1/2 cup quick oats
  - 1/2 cup onion, chopped (or 2 1/2 T onion flakes)
  - 1 tsp salt
  - 1 lb ground beef
- Topping:
- 2/3 cup catsup
  - 1/2 cup brown sugar
  - 1 1/2 tsp mustard

Beat egg and milk together. Stir in cheese, oats, onion, and salt. Add beef. Mix well. Shape into 6 to 8 loaves and place in 9" X 13" greased pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until desired doneness. Combine catsup, brown sugar, and mustard; spread over top of each loaf and bake another 5 - 7 minutes.



This recipe and others can be found in the Greensburg Community Bread of Life Feeding the Flock II Cookbook. Now on sale for only \$5. To purchase, contact Bread of Life at 812-663-1055.

## May Stats

-  12,818 pounds of food donated & rescued
-  2,409 meals served
-  193 households used BOL services
-  250 blessing boxes distributed
-  594 volunteer hours donated

## Kitchen Needs

From time to time, the kitchen is in need of specific items. Please see the list below. If you can help, we are accepting the following donations:

- **Sugar**
- **Butter**
- **Napkins**
- **Mayonnaise**
- **Vinegar**

# Join Us for a RISE Course



Cell Phone 101

**Thursday, July 11 at 6pm**

Join us for a fun and informative session designed to help you get the most out of your cell phone! This class will cover everything from basic functions and settings to tips and tricks for maximizing your device's potential. game!

Register online for any of our Rise classes. Visit [GreensburgBreadofLife.com](http://GreensburgBreadofLife.com).

