



Katie's Pizza and Pasta Osteria to Host March Giveback Tuesday Event Benefiting Joe's Place

The event is slated for Tues., March 27.

ST. LOUIS, MO, March 16, 2017 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Katie's Pizza and Pasta Osteria in Rock Hill is proud to announce their upcoming Giveback Tuesday event, which will benefit Joe's Place. The event is slated for Tues., March 27.

Every month, Katie's Pizza and Pasta Osteria features a local nonprofit charity and donates 100 percent of the earned proceeds from the entire day to the charity. Lunch, dinner, drinks, and carryout are all included. So far, Katie's Pizza and Pasta Osteria has donated more than \$100,000 to local nonprofit organizations.

Funds raised from the Giveback Tuesday event will be used to help Joe's Place tackle some much-needed projects and improvements around the facility, including a new shed.

Established in 2006, Joe's Place offers homeless teenage boys in the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District a caring home environment that supports them in graduating from high school and creating positive futures. The organization places an emphasis on college and career readiness, as well as emotional, social, and academic success.

"Each year, close to a dozen of these students find themselves virtually without a home due to serious family difficulties," said Heath Moylan, President of Joe's Place. "That's why we are committed to providing teenage boys at risk for homelessness a supportive home environment that encourages their pursuit of education and enriched lives. We want to offer these boys what every kid should be able to expect from life - a warm place to sleep, regular meals, and someone to provide guidance and attention."

Since welcoming its first residents in 2007, Joe's Place has served 25 boys with all but one successfully completing high school or on track to do so.

"We host up to four residents at once, plus we provide ongoing support for many of the boys who have participated in our program," Moylan said. "We have seen the average grade point averages for each of these boys improve by 1.25 points, and their daily attendance has also improved by 12 percent."

Katie's Pizza and Pasta Osteria is open every day at 11 a.m. and features Happy Hour specials from 3 to 5 p.m. and 9 to 10 p.m. Carry-outs are also available.

For more information or to make reservations, please call (314) 942-6555 or visit www.katiespizzaandpasta.com.

For more information about Joe's Place, please visit www.joesplacestl.org.

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