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It's the
last day of
the season.
So here is a
valentine!

Come to the
Bakery's
birthday party!

Friday, 2/18
6:30-9:30 PM
At the bakery!

Won't you be my Valentine?

Like we already do, we need to keep weaving love into our everyday collective struggle. We've got needs to meet, for this community love to grow. And I'd like to cuddle up on the couch with you, perhaps with some tea and a warm blanket, and talk about some of my needs, your needs, our needs. And maybe someday the "my, your, our" separations will be lines in sand, easily shifting to accommodate us all.

I need to feel safe, you need to feel safe, we need to feel safe. In a world where there are lots of unsafe spaces, I hope that we can be and form a safe space for each other, for as long as we're together. I hope that we can be honest with each other and that honesty makes us love each other more.

You want to have more of everything for us: more time, more patience, more energy, and in general more abundance. In a world where love is often seen as a finite entity limited by less time, less patience, less energy, and more scarcity, you hope that we can love each other anyway, in the face of these limitations, be

they "real" or "somewhat real" or "capitalist bulls*tt."

We need intimacy. We need an intimate community that understands our rhythms, strengths, weaknesses, when to call, and when to give us space, and revels in the gorgeousness that is us.

I need to party! I hope we can keep dancing, and singing, laughing and sharing bread together.

You need someone to get your back. We can get each others' backs.

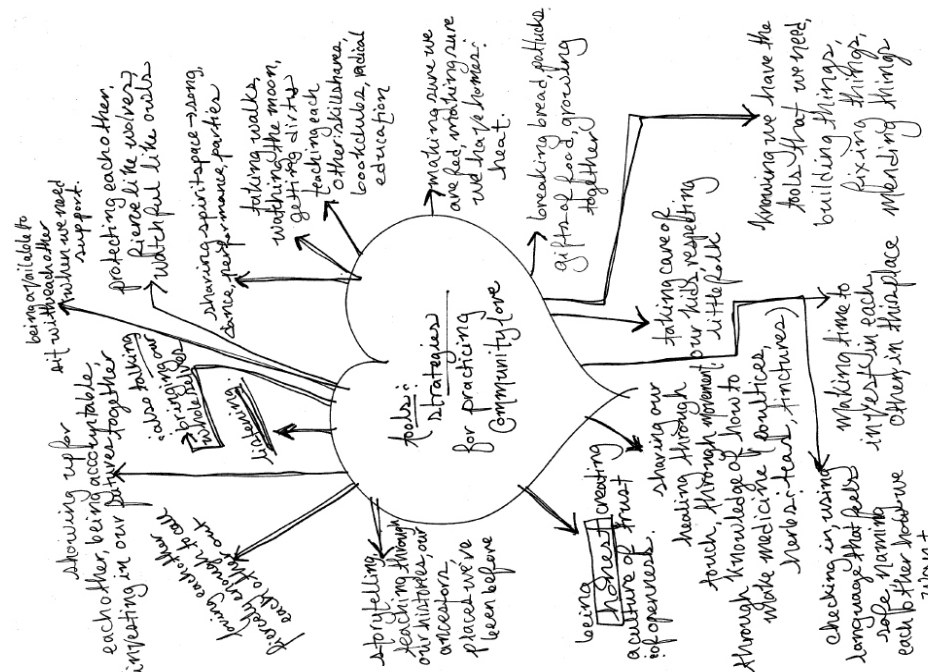
We need to become more fearless in order to love each other more.

Maybe it can be like Dean Spade put it "One of my goals in thinking about redefining the way we view relationships is to try to treat people I date more like my friends- try to be respectful and thoughtful and have boundaries and reasonable expectations--and try to treat my friends [and community] more like my dates-- to give them special attention, honor my commitments to them, be consistent, and invest deeply in our futures together."

Love,

Your Secret Admirer

P.S. You can read Dean Spade's article, "For Lovers and Fighters," online at www.makezine.enoughenough.org/newpoly2.html



What We Baked This Week:

Half Wheat Sourdough (840g/loaf)

Water (36%), OG ww flour (30%), OG white flour (30%), veg oil (3%), NC Honey (1%), Salt

Whole Wheat Sandwich (840g/loaf)

OG whole wheat flour (57%), Water (35%), Vegetable oil (4%), NC Honey (2%), Fair-Trade Molasses, Salt, Yeast

Gluten Free Bread (750g/loaf)

Water (41%), OG brown rice flour (15%), Whole-grain millet flour (11%), Potato starch (10%), Corn starch (9%), Tapioca flour (7%), NC honey (5%), canola oil, yeast, salt, xanthan gum

Pizza Crusts (330g/each)

Water (36%), OG ww bread flour (29%), OG white flour (29%), Olive Oil (3%), Salt, Yeast

Spicy Chickpea Bread (811g/loaf)

Water (38%), Organic Whole wheat bread flour (33%), Organic Unbleached bread flour (14%), Gram Flour (7%), Organic Chickpeas (7%), Salt, Cumin Seed, Chilis, Coriander, Turmeric, Black Pepper

Jalapeno Corn Muffins (500g/half-dozen)

Pecan milk (36%, NC pecans, water), Organic Cornmeal (25%), Organic whole wheat pastry flour (23%), Canola oil (6%), NC Honey (6%), Jalepenos (2%), Chipotle Peppers (1%), Baking powder (1%), Baking soda, Lemon juice, Salt, Cumin

Persimmon Puree-filled Cornmeal Muffins

Pecan milk (37%, NC pecans, water), Organic Cornmeal (25%), Organic whole wheat pastry flour (24%), NC Honey (7%), Canola oil (6%), Baking powder (1%), Persimmon Jam (1%), Baking powder (1%), Baking soda, Salt, Lemon juice, Cinnamon, Nutmeg

Notes:

The poem on the doily is by Anna Lena. The map of strategies for community love is by Jade Brooks. The valentine letter is by a secret admirer.

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