



Brew Matters

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Coming Soon !

- **Wii Bowling**
Check our web-site or stop in for dates and times to sign up
- **Scrapbooking classes.** Dates to be announced soon
- **How to use your digital cameras.** Dates and class times will be announced soon

W E L C O M E T O R U S S O E S P R E S S O !

Russo Espresso Neighborhood Café and Espresso Bar began when three brothers, Angelo, Gennaro (Jerry), and Michael Russo, all Westlake natives, wanted a place nearby that provided high-quality, tasty food that rivaled their mother and grandmother's traditional Italian cooking.

Additionally, all three brothers are well-versed in the coffee industry, and they know what is needed to make a good espresso, which was difficult, if not impossible, to find in the Cleveland area.

The Russo's are a close family with Italian traditions, and having lunch every Sunday together at Mom's house exposed the brothers to delicious, hearty home-cooked food that would prove to be the philosophy of Russo Espresso's goal: A

café that provides outstanding coffee, a good variety of food offered daily, and a cool, comfortable neighborhood hangout for everyone to enjoy!

Russo Espresso has a spacious patio and dining area, a VIP room equipped with a wide screen television capable of connecting to a laptop, and free WiFi. Please stop by to enjoy good food, good coffee, and good conversation!



Hours

Monday - Thursday **Sunday**
7:00 AM - 9:00 PM 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday - Saturday
7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

O U R C O F F E E

At Russo Espresso, we serve **Intelligentsia** coffee-- a company committed to buying beans supplied by growers and importers that are known to be both environmentally and socially responsible whenever possible.

We sell our coffee, which you can purchase by the pound, whole beans or ground.

SPECIALTY COFFEES



Along with the usual coffee house staples of espresso, cappuccino, and hot chocolate, Russo Espresso offers a wide variety of specialty blended coffee drinks, including lattes, frappes, and the house favorite, the **Mocha Cheetah**, a caramel and vanilla latte garnished with chocolate “spots” on top.

“A study released from the University of Scranton revealed that coffee is America’s No. 1 source of antioxidants, an important compound that protects your body from disease.”

—ABC News

OTHER BEVERAGES

Teas

Russo Espresso uses **Revolution** brand teas, with 8 varieties of hot tea available, as well as fresh brewed iced tea and green tea.

Smoothies

Our smoothies are all-natural and made fresh—we use 100% fruit and ice to create healthy and refreshing beverage.

Available flavors include strawberry and strawberry banana, as well as mango tropics and pineapple paradise.

Milk Products

We also use **Hartzler’s Organic Milk** in all of our blended and mixed drinks. This milk is an all-natural cream top concoction that is pasteurized, but not homogenized. Their products are also glass bottled to ensure the freshest, most natural milk possible reaches their customers. For a complete product listing, please visit their website at <http://www.hartzlerfamilydairy.com>.

Russo Espresso also has soy or rice milk options available as a substitute in any blended or specialty beverage.

WHAT IS FAIR TRADE?

According to Global Exchange, the United States is the largest consumer of coffee in the world, using one-fifth

of the world’s supply annually. But few Americans realize that agriculture workers in the coffee industry often toil in what can be described as

“sweatshops in the fields.” Many small coffee farmers receive prices for their coffee that are less than the costs of production, forcing them into a cycle of poverty and debt.

Fair Trade is a viable solution to this crisis, assuring consumers that the coffee we drink was purchased

under fair conditions. To become Fair Trade certified, an importer must meet stringent international criteria; paying a minimum price per pound of \$1.26, providing much needed credit to farmers, and providing technical assistance such as help transitioning to organic farming. Fair Trade for coffee farmers means

community development, health, education, and environmental stewardship.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- September 4

Open Mic Night 6 p.m-8 p.m. (but don't be afraid to stay later—lots of people do!)

- September 9

Scrabble Night 6 p.m.

There's usually several boards going at once. Stop by to meet new people and give your brain a verbal workout!

- September 25

Cupping/ Coffee Tasting

A great event to meet single people in the area who share a love of coffee. We'll keep you posted on the times.

September 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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WHAT IS CUPPING?

Similar to a wine tasting, participants who attend a cupping have the opportunity to sample a variety of coffee bean types. This is a fun, educational way to refine your palate and discover what types of coffees you enjoy most!

According to the Washington Post, coffee consumption has risen in the

United States each year, with 25-39-year olds being the age group responsible for a large portion of coffee's increasing popularity.

Russo Espresso is planning its first cupping sometime this month—we'll keep everyone up-to-date on times and other developments.

A young man smells a coffee sample during a cupping in Washington, D.C.

