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Edible LIC Extravaganza

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[Lhaus](#) and [Edible Queens](#) teamed up with local businesses to host the first annual **Winter Warm-up** food drive benefiting the [Hour Children Food Pantry](#). It was a chance to meet fellow neighbors and get a brief tour of one of LIC's hottest new digs... all while stuffing your face with your favorite local fare. Here is a recap of the day's events that took place in the lobby of LHaus.



A Room With a View at LHaus

Beginning the event with a tour of LHaus, I got a peek at the LIC lap o' luxury. **These spacious 1, 2 & 3 bedroom condos seemed fit for a king** (note the utensils varnished in gold) I was impressed with the **sleek baths deep enough to sink the Titanic in and the ultra sound-proof window panes**. For a more in depth tour, [click here](#). LHaus also sells storage space and private terraces. The next move was outdoors to the **meticulously manicured garden** where guests mingled and I gobbled up a local feast of **Pasta e Fagioli from LIC's Italian eatery, [Testaccio](#)**.



Sweet Leaf Goes to (Stump) Town

The third stop entailed a caffeine fix. For those who were in need of a pick-me-up [Sweet Leaf Cafe](#) gave away samples of the long-time favorite Stumptown coffee.

Searching for some more savories to munch, I spotted some slices of french bread doused in **sweet fig mostarda wth goat cheese and veggies topped with olive tapenade, products of the new LIC Market**, that is to open this Spring. This locally inspired cafe will serve as a market and wine bar featuring breakfast, lunch and brunch.

After devouring my way through the LHaus lobby, I noticed a pair of very talented women sitting gleefully among the crowd. I made my way over to meet Zora O'Neill and Tamara Reynolds the authors of *Forking Fantastic*, Queens's quintessential guide to throwing dinner parties. It was a great afternoon to share with fellow residents and it was all for a good cause. Food is once again the ultimate celebrity guest that brings Queens together!



LIC Marketeers



Tamara Reynolds & Zora O'Neill