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Batavia Treatment Apartment Program Dedicated



It was a day of recognition and reflection as hundreds gathered to dedicate the new Batavia Treatment Apartment Program in Batavia, New York.

DePaul President Mark Fuller dedicated the building to the late Charles Lesh, M.D., a beloved and prominent local psychiatrist whose visionary leadership shaped mental health services in Genesee County.

During his speech, Fuller recognized Michael Hogan, Ph.D., Commissioner of the New York State Office of Mental Health, for his vision to transform community-integrated housing for mental health consumers.

The first of its kind for DePaul, this project has 31 licensed apartments as well as 11 affordable housing units and merges several residential options into one distinctive program.



Dr. Michael Hogan is introduced by DePaul President Mark Fuller at the Batavia TAP dedication.

A Tribute to our Veterans



Glenwell residents Joe Kast and Angelo Chianta lower the flag while Pauline Fletcher, Commander from the VA, salutes the flag.

Activities Director Scott Weiser knew he wanted to plan something special around Memorial Day to honor the veterans who live at Glenwell. So he reached out to the Buffalo-area U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs (VA) for assistance in planning an event and Pauline Fletcher, Commander from the VA, gladly agreed to help. Weiser and Fletcher, along with help from Glenwell Dietary Director Fran Roselli, who is also a veteran, held a flag lowering ceremony at Glenwell and recognized each veteran with a thank you card and flag.



Glenwell is a DePaul Senior Living Community located in Cheektowaga, New York.

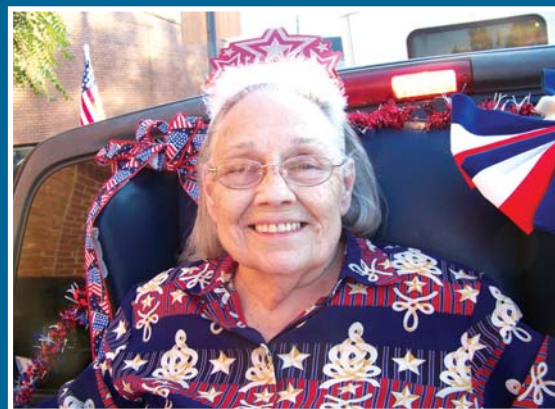


(left to right) Kensington Square residents Elizabeth C., Kim C., Winifred L. and Michael J. pose with Christine Rivera of the Food Bank of Western New York (center).

Lights, Camera, Action

It was an on-screen adventure for residents at Kensington Square as they took their turn on-camera. As part of the Health and Wellness Group at Kensington Square, residents participated in the Good Cookin' Program through the Food Bank of Western New York. During their classes, residents learned how to make nutritious food choices, menu planning and budgeting. At the end of this course, residents starred in a Food Bank music video and were joined by Buffalo celebrities such as Drew Cerza known as the "Wing King" for founding the Buffalo Wing Festival, and heavyweight boxer Baby Joe Mesi. This music video is scheduled to run this fall in the Dipson Theatres in Buffalo as a preview to all featured films.

Kensington Square is a Single Room Occupancy Program located in Buffalo, New York.



Heath House Celebrates Independence Day

Heath House, a DePaul Senior Living Community located in Lincolnton, North Carolina, celebrated Independence Day by participating in the city of Lincolnton's annual Fourth of July parade.

Heath House resident Ninner Ramsey shows off her red, white, and blue as she rides in the parade.



DePaul Chosen to be Part of New State-Wide Initiative

DePaul was chosen to be part of a new project that will provide training modules and distance learning opportunities to help mental health practitioners implement integrated treatment in their settings.

Filmmakers spent a week at DePaul's City Center, Edgerton Square, a Single Room Occupancy Program, and the University Avenue Treatment Apartment Program, filming residents and staff in interactive exercises and clinical vignettes demonstrating practical skills. The project will give practitioners evidence-based integrated treatment for co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.

This program is funded by the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) through the Center for Practice Innovations (CPI) at Columbia Psychiatry and the New York State Psychiatric Institute and in collaboration with Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center.

NCADD-RA Launches Awareness Campaigns

This year, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence-Rochester Area (NCADD-RA) launched four community awareness programs aimed at educating the public.

The first campaign aimed at problem gambling launched in March. This program called "Chances Are You Won't Get Lucky on the Next Roll," educated the community about the risks of gambling and how problem gambling can lead to financial difficulties, substance abuse and much more.

A second program focusing on prescription drug abuse called "What's in Your Medicine Cabinet," targeted young adults and families and ran this summer.

"Prescription drug abuse is on the rise. Young people are abusing drugs they find in their homes," said Jennifer Faringer, NCADD-RA Director. "Our goal is to educate the community on the dangers and consequences of prescription drug abuse."

A Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) campaign called



See it,
hear it,
talk about it.
Start talking
before they
start drinking.

"A Pregnant Woman Never Drinks Alone," is scheduled to run in September and includes newspaper, billboard and online advertising, as well as targeted mailings. The goal of the campaign is to educate women on the dangers of drinking alcohol during pregnancy.

"FASD is the leading known cause of preventable mental retardation," Faringer explained.

A new campaign, "Underage Drinking is Not a Minor Problem," planned for September, is designed to

reach teenagers and their families.

"Alcohol is the most commonly used and abused drug among youth in the United States. Although it is illegal, young people under age 21 drink 11 percent of all alcohol consumed in the U.S.," Faringer said.

This multi-phase campaign includes targeted mailings as well as movie theater, newspaper, billboard and online advertising.

Golf Tournament is a Hole in One!

DePaul's 17th Annual Golf Classic was held on Monday, June 7 at Ridgemont Country Club in Greece, New York. Golfers from Albany, Buffalo, Rochester, and the Southern Tier took to the greens on this sunny day in June.

"It was a perfect day to golf," said Tom Corrigan, DePaul Director of Purchasing and Tournament Coordinator. The sold-out event attracted 136 golfers.

A sincere thank you to the tournament sponsors who helped make this event a success: The Bonadio Group, Christa Construction Corporation, Home Care of Rochester, Jaekle, Fleischmann & Mugel, LLP, LECESSÉ Construction Company, Inc., Parkview Health Services, SWBR Architects PC, Parrone Engineering, M/E Engineering, The Zappia Investment Group of Wells Fargo Advisors, Omnicare, Time Warner Cable Business Class - WNY, Conolly Printing, and DePaul's T-Shirt Factory.



Mark Fuller, DePaul President (*center*) with Gerald Scott from the New York State Office of Mental Health (*left*) and David Christa, CEO of Christa Construction Corporation.



(*left to right*) Zach Fuller, Bob Lamb, DePaul Board member, Rob Lamb and Kevin Mucci, DePaul Board member.





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Holiday Helpers Needed!

You can make a difference for a DePaul client in need this holiday season by becoming a Holiday Helper! Sign up and you'll be matched with a holiday wish that includes the individual's gender, age, and size if appropriate. Or, you can donate generic items such as hats, gloves, scarves, socks, or personal care items. Past wish lists have included requests as simple as a piece of chocolate cake, cat toys, or socks.

For more information about how you, your family, or your organization can adopt someone in need, contact Maggie Fitzgibbon at (585) 719-3102 or mfitzgibbon@depaul.org.

Oakview Commons Open House



(left to right) Kumari Verghese, M.D., Medical Director of the Johnson City Mental Health Center, Judy VanHillyer, DePaul consultant, Linwood Parker, Mayor of Four Oaks, and Linda Watson, housekeeper at Oakview Commons, cut the ribbon officially commemorating the opening of the new memory care unit at Oakview Commons.

Staff and residents at Oakview Commons celebrated the completion of their renovation project with an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony. Renovations include a 40-bed memory care unit that provides services to those with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

Oakview Commons is a DePaul Senior Living Community located in Four Oaks, North Carolina.



Mark Fuller, DePaul President, with Carl Luger, KeyBank.

Hats Off to KeyBank

KeyBank awarded \$5,000 to DePaul's T-Shirt Factory. This generous grant will provide training opportunities for staff to learn new techniques and also purchase new equipment and supplies. Thank you to KeyBank for making a difference!

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