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DETAILS

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New Programs to Meet Increasing Needs

DePaul is increasing its ability to serve even more people in need with new projects in the works for affordable housing and mental health.

In Buffalo, New York, the Riverside Apartments, a newly-remodeled program for income-eligible tenants



located at 238 Ontario Street, is scheduled to open in March. Applications for one- and two-bedroom apartments are now being accepted.

"This is one of the best projects we've ever done," said DePaul President Mark Fuller. "It's absolutely stunning."

Elements of the original architecture and historical features have been retained in the repurposing of the former Public School 60, later known as Riverside Academy, which is over 100 years old.



Riverside Apartments



A spring groundbreaking is planned for the Rochester View Apartments, featuring 61 one- and two-bedroom apartments for income-eligible tenants. The program will offer enhanced supports to accommodate tenants who may be deaf, hard of hearing or those using ASL, and will be located in Henrietta, New York.

"We're excited that affordable housing for persons who are deaf will be a reality in Rochester," said Gillian Conde, Vice President of DePaul Properties, Inc.

In Rochester's Susan B. Anthony Preservation District, construction continues on the 71-unit Carriage Factory Apartments which have an anticipated September 2014 completion.

Fuller said the building required significantly more environmental remediation than was initially anticipated.

"The neighborhood is very excited to see the building, which had been vacant for nearly 25 years, being rejuvenated," Conde said. "It's been an old eyesore for the neighborhood. Even having the building lit has made a huge difference for area residents. This project is changing the dynamics of the entire neighborhood."



Carriage Factory Apartments





THE WIND PLAYS THE GRASS
LIKE A VIOLIN
AND THE INSECTS
HEAR THE MUSIC WITHIN

HOPE BETWEEN THE LINES

When Chris V. finishes writing a poem, it gets filed away in one of two places — a blue shoe box or the trash. Someday Chris hopes to see some of the work in the treasured shoebox published in a book for audiences to read.

Chris worked to pay his way through college, beginning with Monroe Community College followed by the State University of New York at Brockport.

His dream was to be a writer.

"My college roommate read me some poetry," he said. "I knew it the minute I heard it that was my calling if I had one."

It has been Chris' lifelong dream to see his poetry published.

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THAT ALWAYS FLOWS
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"If it's meant to be, I'll publish a book someday," he said. "It's been the toughest battle in the world, but where there is hope, the dream lives on."

Chris graduated magna cum laude with a degree in English from SUNY Brockport, ranking eighth in his class. He was in his mid-20s and teaching abroad in Thailand when he had a nervous breakdown. Diagnosed with bipolar disorder, Chris, 69, has held more than 20 different jobs over the years. Diagnosed with kidney disease eight years ago, he now requires dialysis three times a week.

For Chris, writing is therapeutic. His inspiration comes from

his education, his family and his friends.

"I like to write about insights, nuances and subtleties of life that people might not have thought about," he said.

A DePaul client for 18 years, Chris said he's been making a lot of progress with the help of DePaul and his Supported Housing Specialist Christina Mastin. Chris is a creative and bright individual with a great appreciation for life, said Mastin.

"Chris has come a long way on the road to recovery and no matter how difficult his setbacks have been, Chris has shown me there is nothing he can't learn from," she said. "His determination to fulfill his dream of becoming a published writer is so inspiring."

Kensington and Seneca Square Renovations

Kensington Square and Seneca Square, two of DePaul's Single Room Occupancy (SRO) programs in Buffalo, New York, are the latest facilities to receive improvements.

"DePaul is committed to providing welcoming, homelike living environments for those we serve," said President Mark Fuller. "Pleasant surroundings are integral to delivering the highest quality care and are conducive to recovery."

Improvements include a new rustic, cozy fireplace welcoming residents, staff and visitors to both Kensington Square and Seneca Square's lobbies. Seneca Square has added unique artwork featuring historical photos of Buffalo landmarks, all taken by residents.

"The most significant upgrade at Seneca Square was the conversion of a former smoking room into the new training kitchen which will assist residents as they ultimately transition into independent living," said Fuller.



Seneca Square training kitchen



Kensington Square fireplace



Kensington Square activities room



Seneca Square fireplace

Holiday Cheer... We Couldn't Do It Without You

DePaul clients and residents throughout the agency were the recipients of much generosity during the 2013 holiday season. Many thanks to DePaul staff members, scout troops, schools, places of worship, community organizations, businesses and individuals throughout the community who came together to bring joy to all. Everyone who shared their time, talents and gifts with those in our care throughout New York, North Carolina and South Carolina made a tremendous difference!



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DePaul's Holiday Helpers program makes the holiday season brighter for people in need in DePaul's mental health programs who are working toward achieving independence. If you would like to become a Holiday Helper in 2014, contact Lynette Wilson-Cox at (585) 719-3103 or lwilson-cox@depaul.org to be included in future mailings.

DEPAUL BOARD MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to Wanda Acevedo, DePaul Properties Board Member, who was named as a finalist for the 28th Annual ATHENA Award presented by the Women's Council, an affiliate of the Rochester Business Alliance.

Congratulations to DePaul Community Services Board Member Corina Folts on being named one of the Rochester Business Journal's "Forty Under 40" for 2013!

DePaul would also like to welcome four new board members. K. Russian McGriff, Ph.D., the Director of People-Inc Finger Lakes, has joined the DePaul Community Services Board of Directors. He has 22 years of human services experience, including seven years with DePaul.

The newest member of the DePaul Community Services Board of Directors, Raymond Scott, served as Director of DePaul's Problem Gamblers Program, formerly The Health Association Problem Gamblers Treatment Program, for a total of 24 years. Prior to joining The Health Association, he served as the Assistant Director of the Baden Street Settlement Drug Counseling Center.

Kristine Ball, CPA, MBA, who recently joined the DePaul Adult Care Communities Board of Directors, is currently the Assistant Controller at Harter Secrest and Emery LLP. She has six years of experience in Accounting/Finance and is an active volunteer with several community organizations.

Gabriel Geiger, Director of the Financial Services Division of Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc., has joined the DePaul Adult Care Communities Board of Directors. With over 30 years of experience in the financial services industry, Geiger has also worked as a Residence Manager at Brentland Woods and Episcopal Senior Life. He is a past president of the Greece, New York Rotary International.





Chili, Woodcrest Commons in Henrietta, Horizons in Canandaigua, as well as two communities located in Buffalo, Kenwell and Glenwell, participated in the games. The Shire at Culverton also sponsored a team. Individuals competed for gold, silver, and bronze medals in the spelling bee, shuffle board, putting green contest, bean bag toss, bowling, word search and ladder golf. The DePaul Olympic Cup was awarded to The Shire at Culverton at the closing ceremonies.

Save the Date

Save the date for the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence—



Rochester Area's 68th Annual Luncheon on Friday, May 2 at Mario's Restaurant and Catering in Rochester, New York featuring keynote speaker Kevin A. Sabet, Ph.D. who will present "Seven Great Myths About Marijuana and How You Can Help Shatter Them." For more information or to register, contact Elaine Alvarado at (585) 719-3481 or at ealvarado@depaul.org.



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Our sincerest thanks to the M&T Charitable Foundation for their grant to DePaul WorkGuide allowing DePaul to assist more people in finding and retaining gainful employment. DePaul President Mark Fuller is pictured here with Steve Epping, Administrative Vice President / Upstate NY Market Manager at M&T Bank.





Thank you to the KeyBank Foundation for their donation to DePaul's WorkGuide Program, allowing DePaul to assist more people in finding and retaining gainful employment. Fuller accepts a check from Jim Barger, President of KeyBank's Rochester Market, and Mike Dermady, KeyBank District Credit Officer.



thank you Omni Security, Inc. for their donation to DePaul's Holiday Helpers program. Fuller is pictured here with Ken Bianchi, President of OMNI Security, Inc.



DePaul's Caring Communities

Thank you to members of Liberty Mutual's Victor, New York office for volunteering their time at Horizons last year, weeding, raking and planting flowers at the DePaul Senior Living Community in Canandaigua, New York. Liberty Mutual employees pictured here are (left to right, front row) Customer Service Specialist Debra Sculli, Sales Representative Brent Seewald, Assistant Vice President/Area Manager John Bem, Senior Administrative Associate Lindsay Wolford, (back row, I-r) Senior Branch Manager Rich Fisher, Sales Representative Peter Harris, Lead Service Specialist Nancy Bergen and Administrative Assistant Jillian Chilson-Pietruch.

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