



The DePaul family has always worked hard to make a difference for our people and our communities. In these unprecedented times, we are forever grateful for the countless acts of humanity that raise our spirits and make each day brighter. We hope you'll join us in celebrating the good that we see at DePaul, as we navigate this journey together.

## **DePaul Strong #29 – March 29, 2021**

### **Sunshine Therapy**

Fresh air and sunshine therapy are just the cure for cabin fever. Residents across the agency are thrilled to crack the windows open wide and get outside!



Pictured top row, left to right, a resident at Cambridge House in Hildebran, North Carolina plants spring flowers and residents at Greenbrier help feed the birds at the senior living community in Fairmont, North Carolina.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, residents play ball and enjoy chair exercises in the courtyard at Woodridge in Monroe, North Carolina, and a resident at Horizons soaks up some of the warmth after a long winter in Canandaigua, New York.

## Bingo Must Go On!

There's just no stopping bingo! Staff at DePaul sites across the agency have found a way to make this favorite pastime possible while social distancing!



Pictured above showing off their winnings are residents at Twelve Oaks in Mt. Airy, North Carolina and Pee Dee Gardens in Florence, South Carolina.

## Art with Heart

Creative expressions and heartfelt art are plentiful across DePaul's many communities.



Pictured above, a resident at Twelve Oaks in Mt. Airy, North Carolina shows off a tree made up of fingerprints of residents who have received their COVID-19 vaccine, a resident at Horizons in Canandaigua, New York paints rocks and a resident at Rolling Ridge, in Newton Grove, North Carolina enjoys a painting activity.

## Shining Stars

Not all heroes wear capes! The DePaul Shining Star Employee Recognition Program highlights the many “Shining Stars” of our organization, recognizing and celebrating employees who go above and beyond in their roles.



### **Dustin Viau**

#### **Upper Falls Square Apartments**

"My little fur baby was sick and I had no pet carrier to take him to the vet. Dustin went home on his lunch break, on his own time, and brought me back his pet carrier to use. He ate his lunch on the run that day. If it were not for him, I would not have been able to get on the bus with my fur baby. That day I learned one person's act of kindness can mean the world to another. My fur baby is my world and Dustin helped save his life. Thank you!"

Thank you to Dustin for demonstrating service excellence at the Upper Falls Square Apartments in Rochester, New York.

## Think Spring

With the arrival of spring comes a renewed sense of hope and plenty of reasons to celebrate. Fun is in bloom across the agency!



Pictured top row, left to right, a resident at Pee Dee Gardens in Florence, South Carolina finishes a sock bunny craft, a resident at Heritage Manor of Lockport in Lockport, New York plants wheatgrass for Easter, and a resident at Hickory Village Memory Care in Hickory, North Carolina shows off some spring flowers.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, The Churchville Chili High School Leo Club donated this Welcome Spring sign to Westwood Commons in North Chili, New York welcomes spring, a resident shows off an Easter egg ornament he made to adorn the tree at Heath House in Lincolnton, North Carolina, and a resident shows off a completed spring wreath at La Rosa Villas in LeRoy, New York.

## **Overflowing with Gratitude**

The outpouring of donations of support from families and community members in recent months has truly been overwhelming. From the food and cards to acts of service, donations of personal protective equipment, and much more, we are beyond grateful.



- Non-profit, Gladly The Cross-Eyed Bear, donated 130 stuffed bears to residents (Dayspring of Wallace)
- West Forsyth High School Girls Service Club (Southfork)
- Girl Scouts Carolina Peaks to Piedmont Troop 02307 members Emily, Alethia, Madison, Carly, Morgan, Wren & Avery donated cookies to residents (Wexford House)
- Roger and Debbie Carroll delivered bagels and muffins from Panera Bread (Wheatfield Commons)

**Stay tuned for more good news...**

