

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.

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DePaul Strong #51 – July 25, 2022

Thank You for Making a Difference

DePaul is ever so grateful for the notes of appreciation from those we serve and their loved ones letting us know what our dedicated, wonderful employees mean to them.

Praise for Westwood Commons Staff I am so thankful for all the staff. They have been so kind and caring and this means the world to me as I have been caring for Mom for over 12 years. We, as a family, truly appreciate all that you do.

Thank you to staff at <u>Westwood Commons</u> in North Chili for going above and beyond to make a difference! DePaul's greatest asset is our passionate, dedicated staff who make an immense difference in the lives of those we serve. We are proud to be the next best thing to one's own family!

Arts and Crafts

DePaul residents and staff have been enjoying a whirlwind of creativity with colorful crafts and unique creations!



Pictured top row, left to right, residents at the <u>Knitting Mill Apartments</u> in Perry participated in Paint Night presented by Tara Alexander from Artisan Villa in Warsaw, residents at <u>La Rosa Villas</u> in LeRoy painted beautiful ceramics in a class by The Art of Mandy, and seniors at <u>Westwood Commons</u> in North Chili painted nautical anchors during Tuesday Craft Corner.

Pictured bottom row, <u>Woodcrest Commons</u> in Henrietta enjoyed some seasonal craft activities including painting suncatchers and rocks which were placed in the courtyard and gardens.

Out and About

DePaul clients, residents and staff are having a grand old time getting out on the town.



Pictured top row, left to right, seniors at <u>Glenwell</u> in Cheektowaga enjoyed a scenic drive around Delaware Park and stopped at the Historical Museum to walk in the Japanese Garden, a resident of <u>Heritage Manor of Lockport</u> poses with a Buffalo statue at Tasty Treat of Lockport, and the DePaul Recreation Department took residents from <u>Ridgeview Commons</u> in Rochester fishing at Durand Eastman Beach.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, are more outings with the Recreation Department including a visit to the fish hatchery at Powder Mills Park with residents from Parkside in East Rochester and a trip to Charlotte Beach with residents from Ridgeview Commons. Also pictured, seniors from Wheatfield Commons in North Tonawanda take a trip to Tim Hortons and seniors from Woodcrest Commons in Henrietta take a boat trip on the Canandaigua Lady.

Saluting Old Glory

Between Flag Day and Fourth of July, there have been several ways to commemorate the starspangled banner and what it stands for over the past few months.



Pictured above from left to right are highlights from a Patriotic Party at <u>Glenwell</u> in Cheektowaga, a Fourth of July craft <u>Westwood Commons</u> in North Chili, a resident of <u>Wheatfield Commons</u> in North Tonawanda celebrating Flag Day, and a craft project made of popsicle sticks at <u>Woodcrest Commons</u> in Henrietta.



Pictured above is a Flag Day craft organized by DePaul's Recreation Department for residents at the Carriage Factory Apartments and Edgerton Square in Rochester and Parkside in East Rochester.

Porches, Courtyards and Patios

With warmer weather comes a flurry of fun on the many porches, patios and in courtyards across the agency.



Pictured top row, left to right, residents water the gardens and play horseshoes at <u>Glenwell</u> in Cheektowaga and the courtyard at the <u>DeWitt Clinton Apartments</u> in Rome was the perfect spot for a barbecue.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, the <u>Knitting Mill Apartments</u> in Perry recently hosted a summer bash, <u>Seneca Square</u> residents in Buffalo are tending to vertical garden beds in the courtyard, and seniors have been soaking up beach days and happy hours on the patio at <u>Wheatfield Commons</u> in North Tonawanda.

Ballpark Bonanza

There's been no shortage of opportunities for getting out to cheer on the home team lately!



Pictured top row, residents from <u>Elmgrove</u> and <u>Halstead Square</u>, both in Rochester, take in the sights and sounds at recent Rochester Red Wings games.

Pictured bottom row, a resident from the <u>Knitting Mill Apartments</u> in Perry poses for a photo at a recent Red Wings game and DePaul's Recreation Department celebrated the anniversary of the invention of Cracker Jack with free boxes of the classic sweet treat.

Giving Back

While DePaul has been the recipient of much generosity and kindness, giving is a two-way street!



<u>Glenwell</u> in Cheektowaga is hosting Hot Dog Roasts on Fridays in July with proceeds to benefit the Alzheimer's Association and <u>La Rosa Villas</u> residents in LeRoy gifted mugs and wrote thank you cards to their local postal workers!

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, and much more, we are beyond grateful.



- Linda Dansa donated a Bose Radio and a carpet sweeper for the memory care unit (Glenwell)
- Resident Betty shared this heartfelt card and donated fresh fruit for staff (Heritage Manor of Lockport)
- David and Donna Merritt and family donated candy and a lovely thank you note to staff for caring for their loved one (Westwood Commons)

Stay tuned for more good news...











