



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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Color Me Tie-Dye

The ever-popular colorful summer craft of tie-dyeing has proven to be a favorite across the agency!



Pictured top row, left to right, are tie-dye projects at the [Dewitt Clinton Apartments](#) in Rome, [La Rosa Villas](#) in LeRoy, and the [Trolley Station Apartments](#) in Canandaigua.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, are fabric artists from [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda and [Westwood Commons](#) in North Chili.



Pictured above, left to right, DePaul's Recreation Program participants from [Edgerton Square](#), [Elmgrove](#), [Halstead Square](#) and [Parkside](#) get ready to tie-dye.

Savoring the Flavors

From food holidays to comfort foods, there's plenty of ways to savor the flavors across the agency!



Pictured top row, left to right, a staff member serves up a pasta bar and a resident assembles the ingredients for homemade zucchini muffins at [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#). Also pictured is fresh coffee to welcome residents at the [Packet Boat Landing Apartments](#) in Lockport.

Pictured middle row, left to right, DePaul's Recreation Department whipped up homemade butter with residents from several of DePaul's mental health residential programs in Rochester including the [Neighborhood of the Arts \(NOTA\) Apartments](#) and [Halstead Square](#), and staff at the [Trolley Station Apartments](#) in Canandaigua get ready to serve up a delicious barbecue lunch.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, a resident from [Westwood Commons](#) enjoy ice cream from Abbott's Frozen Custard, and seniors from [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda hit the town for lunch at The Silo in Lewiston and for hot dogs and milkshakes at Sullivan's Hot Dogs and Ice Cream in Niagara Falls.

Fun and Games

Whether it's to pass the time, competing for a prize, or learning something new, DePaul residents are finding joy in games, contests, themed-nights and other good-natured fun!



Pictured top row, left to right, is a prom at the Batavia Apartments in Batavia, Hawaiian Night at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga, and bingo at [La Rosa Villas](#) in LeRoy.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, a resident from [Halstead Square](#) enjoys a game of Yardzee while a Recreation Department staff member sets up an outdoor jumbo Jenga tower. Also pictured is a resident from the [Carriage Factory Apartments](#) who took home first place in a recent Hot Shot Basketball Competition hosted by DePaul's Recreation Department.

Song and Dance

Thanks to musical entertainment, dance troupes and volunteers for these toe-tapping and hip swaying good times!



Pictured top row, left to right, [Glenwell](#) enjoyed dancing and clapping along to the musical stylings of Saxman Slim, as well as an hour of beautiful violin music performed by a resident's great-niece Gwen. Also pictured are the Diamond Dancers during their visit to [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#).

Pictured bottom row, left to right, a resident at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda takes in a courtyard performance by volunteer Matt, and Steve Ingraham impressed residents at [Woodcrest Commons](#) with his magic act.

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, a resident from [Halstead Square](#) cheers for the home team at a Rochester Red Wings game, a senior at [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#) checks out a life-size sandcastle at Wild Waters Marina in Lockport, and a resident of the [Rochester View Apartments](#) poses for a selfie with Mittsy, the Red Wings mascot.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, residents of [Wheatfield Commons](#) took trips to the Niagara Wax Museum of History and Three Sisters Island in Niagara Falls.

Fun For All

DePaul’s Recreation Department checked off a summer bucket list item with a trip to the local amusement park, Seabreeze.



Pictured top row, left to right, are residents of [Edgerton Square](#), [Elmgrove](#), [Halstead Square](#) and [Lyell Road](#).

Pictured bottom row, left to right, are residents and staff from [Parkside](#) and [West Main](#).

Walk on the Wild Side

Critters large and small were on display with everything from pet therapy and educational activities to outings to the zoo.



Pictured top row, left to right, residents of [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#), [Parkside](#) in East Rochester and [Ridgeview Commons](#) in Rochester check out the wildlife at Seneca Park Zoo.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, [Seneca Square](#) and [Ebenezer Square](#) in Buffalo got up close and personal with several creatures from Hawk Creek Wildlife Center, residents at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda enjoyed pet therapy with Linus, and adventure was on tap for [Woodcrest Commons](#) seniors during a visit to Hidden Valley Animal Adventure.

Giving Back

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



The Gates Police and Volunteer Ambulance Service were invited to [Lyell Road](#) in Rochester to enjoy Luigia's ice cream with residents and staff as a way of showing appreciation.

Seniors at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda donated rice and fresh vegetables, some of which were out of their own community garden, to the Niagara ASPCA for use in preparing meals for Lloyd, an elderly dog up for adoption.

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.



- An anonymous donor provided a plentiful fresh fruit basket (Heritage Manor)
- Thank you to Toni and Tina, daughters of a former resident, for treating residents and staff to ice cream from Lil' Jenny's in celebration of their mother's life, as well as Lockport Mayor Michelle Roman and Legislator Rick Abbott for stopping by for the festivities (Heritage Manor)
- The family of Kay Hill provided goodies including candy, chips and mints for the staff (Westwood Commons)
- The Lowell family provided a beautiful edible arrangement for staff (Westwood Commons)
- Thank you to Mike Shady and the Lelonek Agency for sponsoring a Splash on Canvas painting event (Wheatfield Commons)
- A delicious plate of cookies and snack cakes was donated by the Bogart family in appreciation of the care provided to their mother (Wheatfield Commons)

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