



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 #58 – May 1, 2023**

### **Thoroughly Entertained**

Inspiration and engagement have come in many forms recently thanks to some unique guests.



Pictured top row, left to right, Matt Zymanek from Hawk Creek Wildlife Center Inc. showed off a variety of creatures at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga including Merlin, a barred owl, Sujeet Desai played the clarinet at [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#), and Top Brass provided the music for an Easter Social at [Westwood Commons](#) in North Chili!

Pictured bottom row, left to right, a resident at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda enjoys entertainment by Kathryn Caldarella while another resident participates in a drum circle with KB Percussion Adventures, and comedian David Kilimnick entertained residents at [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta.

## What's Hopping?

April gave bloom to seasonal celebrations, sweet treats and creative crafts across DePaul!



Pictured clockwise above, residents from [Ridgeview Commons](#) in Rochester, [Parkside](#) in East Rochester, [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta and [Westwood Commons](#) in North Chili enjoyed the Easter and Passover holidays. For more highlights, visit the [DePaul Blog](#).

## Comfort Foods

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



Pictured clockwise above is St. Patrick's Day dinner at the [DeWitt Clinton Apartments](#) in Rome, and residents preparing fruit salad at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga, as well as cinnamon crescent rolls at [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#) and [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda.

## 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 left to right, a resident of [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#) wins the Easter Candy Guessing Contest, seniors at [Westwood Commons](#) in North Chili compete in a game of Farkle, and a staff member at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda celebrates the winning guess in the Jelly Bean Contest.



## Welcome Spring

With the change of season comes a sense of hope and renewal!



Pictured top row, left to right, residents from [Elmgrove](#) and [Edgerton Square](#) in Rochester celebrate the opening day of baseball with DePaul's Recreation Department, and spring is popping at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga with seasonal crafts and cards.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, nothing says warmer weather like a trip for ice cream with seniors of [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#), a trip to the river with residents of [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda or a butterfly release at [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta.

## Celebrating Earth Day

DePaul residents and staff practiced conservation, preservation and being good stewards of their communities in honor of Earth Day.



Pictured top row, left to right, residents from [Edgerton Square](#), [Upper Falls Square Apartments](#) and the [Carriage Factory Apartments](#) in Rochester took part in the annual Canal Clean Sweep along with DePaul's Recreation Department, while a senior makes a homemade birdfeeder to hang in the courtyard at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, a resident of [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda proudly displays an Earth Day craft project while another helps with spring cleaning, and at [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta, a resident plants a variety of flower and vegetable seeds for use in the gardens.

## 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, are a completed puzzle at the [DeWitt Clinton Apartments](#) in Rome, a fairy garden created by a resident of [Halstead Square](#) in Rochester, and [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#) celebrates National Crayon Day with a melted crayon masterpiece.

Pictured bottom row, left to right, are completed craft projects including a fairy garden made by a resident of [Lyell Road](#) in Rochester, spring moss frames completed by residents of the [Skybird Landing Apartments](#) in Geneseo, and daisy paintings at [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda.

## 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, residents of the [Carriage Factory Apartments](#) in Rochester pose with Moose the mascot during a Rochester Americans hockey game and seniors from [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#) visited Sprague's Maple Farms, Cuba Cheese Shoppe and the Made in America Store, followed by lunch at the Iron Kettle Landmark Restaurant.

Pictured middle row, left to right, residents from the [Knitting Mill Apartments](#) in Perry enjoyed a few rounds of bowling while seniors at [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta stop for a feast at Super Crab Juicy Seafood.



Pictured bottom row, left to right, seniors of [Wheatfield Commons](#) in North Tonawanda recently enjoyed breakfast at Original Pancake House, the Lewiston Antique Mall and Platter's Chocolate Factory.

## 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.



- Thank you to Hope Rises, Founder Kate Glaser and Jo's Event Carts Owner Joanna Palma for stunning bouquets in spring-inspired purples, yellows, and pinks at [Glenwell](#) in Cheektowaga.
- Patricia Deacon donated cat grass for Melvin at [Heritage Manor of Lockport](#).
- The Neighborhood of the Arts Neighborhood Association delivered goodie bags filled with apples, juice boxes, cookies from Scratch Bakeshop and other treats to residents of DePaul's [Neighborhood of the Arts Apartments](#) in Rochester! The items were

delivered by NOTA Neighborhood Association President Joe McElveney and Board Member Boo Poulin.

- Gratitude to the Trader Joe's in Pittsford for donating colorful spring flowers to [Woodcrest Commons](#) in Henrietta.

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

