

## **Senior Services**

- Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center
- Food Services
- Foster Grandparent Program

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## **Eastwood Community Center Board Report April 2023**

### **Eastwood Community Center enrollment:**

- 83 active seniors at month-end March
- 3 new seniors enrolled

### **Eastwood Community Center Highlights:**

- Two-Three of these seniors are having meals delivered
- Approximately 15-20 seniors are dining on-site daily
- A monthly informational mailing to the seniors includes a newsletter, monthly menu, activities, along with community information
- Activities for seniors include: Movie Day, Tablet Training, Game Day, Art/Crafts, Bunko, Bingo, Walking with Oscar & Book Club
- The ECC Seniors attended dinner theater at Theodore's in Canastota to see "Maid To Order". Twenty-nine seniors attended.
- Numerous donations were picked up by the ECC volunteers and distributed
- Smart Device Training started on April 18<sup>th</sup>. There are 6 new participants.

### **Monitoring & Assistance provided to Eastwood Community Center's seniors:**

On a regular basis we are reaching out to the seniors who are home-bound and receiving meals to-go insuring their safety and on-going needs are met.

### **Success Story:**

The Smart Device class is in full-swing with 8 new students. Six are from the outside. The class is educating seniors on using smart technology to enhance the quality of their lives. Two of the learner's in-class are taking advantage of additional one-to-one trainings. This is strengthening their confidence and ability to use technology.



## **Food Services Board Report May 2023**

### **Food Services Meals Served: April**

#### **Head Start Meals:**

- 5,544 Breakfast
- 5,544 Lunches
- 5,544 Snacks

Senior Nutrition Meals: 5,514

#### **Special Function Meals Delivered:**

- 0 Breakfast
- 73 Lunch
- 0 Snack

### **Senior Nutrition Contribution:**

- Net contribution:  
\$ 10,179.58
- Average Meal Contribution:  
\$1.85

**Upcoming Events:** We will be heading back to the CNY Regional Market again this summer to serve Senior Nutrition meals. The dates are July 20<sup>th</sup>, July 27<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup>. Meals will be served from 11am -1pm.

**Program Opportunities:** Various agencies in the area have reached out to us in regards to starting new Senior Nutrition dining sites. We are in the process of evaluating these inquiries to determine the feasibility of moving forward.

**Success Story:** Senior Nutrition participation continues to increase tremendously. Compared to this time last year we have served 4,627 more meals. In addition to this, we have also provided 1,950 senior meals to the Salvation Army.



# Foster Grandparent Program Board Report ~ May 2023



## Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment:

- 68 enrolled
- 2 inactive volunteers to be dropped soon

## FGP Updates:

### April In-Service

- April 18 – 27 FGs
- April 20 - 30 FGs

### Viewed and discussed 2000 Disney Movie - - “Remember the Titans

Experience a celebration of how a town torn apart by resentment, friction, and mistrust comes together in triumphant harmony. The year is 1971. After leading his team to 15 winning seasons, football coach Bill Yoast is demoted and replaced by Herman Boone - tough, opinionated, and very different from the beloved Yoast. How these two men overcome their differences and turn a group of hostile young men into champions plays out in a remarkable and winning story.

Related Activity: *Lemons to Lemonade* – reflections on difficult volunteer situations with children and how to turn them around and overcome to benefit the child

### New Volunteer Placements –

- 1 @ Genesee Head Start
- 1 @ Liverpool Head Start
- 1 @ Dr. Weeks Elementary
- 1 @ McKinley Brighton Elementary

### Placement Sites

- 14 Syracuse City School District Elementary Schools – 55 FGs
- Head Start/Early Head Start – 10 FGs
- PEACE, Inc. Family Resource Center - 1 FG

### FGP Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

- Tuesday, May 23 at Sheraton Syracuse University
- Special recognition to:
  - 15 years: Sylvearl Polite – Van Duyn Elementary school
  - 10 years: Mercedes Cruzata Reyes – Seymour Dual Language Academy
  - 5 Years: Betty Bulter – Meachem Elementary School
  - Pauline Smith – Porter Elementary
  - Angenetta Stenson – McKinley Brighton Elementary
  - Lynn Sylvester – Frankling Elementary
  - Christine Taylor – Van Duyn Elementary