



Franklin Footnotes

"We Are Making A Difference"

An Update for Friends and Future Friends of Franklin Community Center

April 2009

Hats Off! – Franklin Style

Our center's mission is to work collaboratively with individuals and other agencies to provide services that will improve the quality of life and foster a sense of neighborhood, community and family for all people.

Thank you to the following businesses, organizations and civic groups whose generosity and support this quarter keeps our programs running. If it weren't for you—we would not have the necessary funding and items to assist our less fortunate families and children.

- Jan 8 – The **Association of Ladies of Charity Saratoga Vicariale** donates \$500.00 for FCC programs and services.
- Jan 14 – **Drastic Measures**, a charity based **SKIDMORE COLLEGE** a cappella group, donates \$548.45.
- Feb 12 – **Bemis Heights Society, C.A.R. "Kids Helping Kids"** donates \$150.00 to the programs of **Project Lift**.
- Feb 23 – **Saratoga TODAY** presents us with a check of \$767.00 to be used towards our **Food Pantry**.
- Feb 24 – Students in **Mrs. Ruben's Division Street Elementary School second grade class** donate more than 100 non-perishable food items to our **Food Pantry**.
- Feb 24 – **Saratoga Springs Rotary** donates \$4,000 to our **Project Lift** program for camp scholarships this summer.
- Feb 26 – **Girl Scout Troop 3045** donates food collected from their recent Food Drive to stock our **Food Pantry**.
- Feb 27 – In honor of **Cindy Phillips, The Ayco Company's Encompass Department** donates items, food and clothing to be used towards our **Methods of Motherhood "M.O.M." Program**. There were over 3,000 diapers; 4 boxes of new baby clothing; 2 boxes of baby formula, wipes and food; a stroller AND two Pack N Plays.
- Mar 2 – **The Macerich Company**, under the **Louise Marquez Volunteer Grant Program**, awards our **Methods of Motherhood "M.O.M." Program** with a \$500 Special Events Grant.
- Mar 9 – **Saratoga Springs United Methodist Men's Group** donates canned food and \$200.00; all collected at **The Recession Ham Dinner**.
- Mar 9 – **Stewart's Annual Holiday Match** program awards **Project Lift** with a \$3,500.00 donation.
- Mar 9 – **Chico's "Lends A Hand"** program donates \$494.18; 10-percent of each customer's sale from July 27, 2008.
- Mar 11 – In support of the **First and Last Month's Rent Assistance Program, Saratoga Springs United Methodist Men's Group** donates \$2,500.00.
- Mar 16 – From a food drive coordinated by **Cory Barkoff**, a member of the **Skidmore Men's Lacrosse Team**, we stock our **food pantry** once again.
- Mar 16 – **Saratoga Springs United Methodist Church** donates canned food collected from their **Corned Beef Recession Dinner**.
- Mar 17 – **St. Clement's 6th Grade Tuesday Faith Formation class** donates \$400.00 in support of **Methods of Motherhood "M.O.M."**
- Mar 25 – **Girl Scout Troops 3585 and 3151** donates 75 boxes of girl scout cookies and a \$5.00 cash donation collected through their 2009 cookie sale.
- Mar 27 – **Borders** is currently holding a book and plush drive for us that will run until April 24, and also donates 20 brand new parenting books to use as giveaways at **Methods of Motherhood "M.O.M."**
- Mar 27 – Due to the generosity of the Saratoga Phillies sponsors, 25 Summer Baseball Camp Scholarships are awarded to the children of **Project Lift**. *Special Thanks to: Jasper and Beth Alexander; Mayor Scott and Julie Johnson; Jim LaVigne and Mary Gavin; Raymond and Tina Morris; Susan Dake; and Chris and Angie Watt.*

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Happy Spring! from
Franklin Community Center



"Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others, cannot keep it from themselves."
—Sir James M. Barrie



"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."
—Anne Frank

In \$33,000 For Our Many Programs!

port our less fortunate that they need than ever. These included: **Bread Baskets North**; **Garland**; **Hattie's Staff**; **Photography**; **Jaime Diaz**; **Jasper**; **Intire Kitchen Staff**; **Joseph Carr**; **Chuk of KKI**; **Arthur Murray**; **Shorey and Kathy**; **Natalie Sillery** of **onal Museum of**; **olls of Saratoga**; **;** **Sonny and Julie**; **Julie Johnson**; the **bers**; **Michael B.**; **ith of Hidden Gar-**; **s and Spirits**; **De-**; **Company**; **De-**; **Re-A** and all **donors.**



Beth Alexander looks on with immense joy as Kari Cushing gives her thanks for all of the hard work that went into making the Mardi Gras Gala the huge success it was!

In addition to the many generous donations, several community members also pledged their support by donating additional funds to our mission-based auction. These donors included: **Ron and Michele Riggi** for \$2,500; **Sonny and Julie Bonacio** for \$2,250; **Jim LaVigne**

and **Mary Gavin** for \$2,000; **Thom and Aime Richards** for \$1,500; **Gary and Nancy DiCrese** for \$1,500; **Jay Rifenbary** for \$500; **Jasper and Beth Alexander** for \$250; and **Natalie Sillery** for \$250.

A very special thanks to **Aime Richards** and **Stewart Hatch** for connecting **Beth** and **Jasper** and their Annual Mardi Gras Event to us and our mission. We are so honored that so many of our community leaders recognize and support the importance of the work that we do at our small, grass roots organization. On behalf of our staff, Board of Directors and the thousands of individuals that we serve, we extend a sincere thank you to **Beth, Jasper, Julie** and all of the people mentioned above for their commitment to our community; Franklin Community Center is truly honored to have been chosen as the beneficiaries of their generosity.

Kari Cushing, Executive Director
Jennifer Loeffler, Coord. of Development

We are pleased to see "Motherhood" M. ing teenagers, too. ful. We currently enrolled.

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Jennifer Loeffler

Saratoga Head Start

We are pleased to see County EOC. Infant room at Fra. classroom will open. adults.

Head Start will hou. offer a free, yet qu. 434 children and p. Early Head Start ar.

We are pleased to announce that we are now able to accept your tax deductible donations via credit card, both on-line and at the center.



Franklin Community Center

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Kari Cushing..... Executive Director
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Project Lift Celebrate

Project Lift

I am pleased to announce we have begun our 25th year at **Saratoga School District**. We are currently operating at **Greenfield** elementary Schools with a total enrollment of **64 students**. **Shawn Banner**, local artist, began on February 23rd and will continue until April 3rd. I would like to thank the staff at **Pediatric Dentistry** for Project Lift during dental awareness month and giving such a great gift. We were taught the importance of cleaning their teeth and their teeth.

Additional kudos to **Saratoga Gaming and Raceway Foundation**, **Eat Smart New York Program** and **Legal Aid** for their support. The following organizations were extremely generous: **Heights Society, C.A.R. "Kids Helping Kids"** and **Ballston**. We look forward to spring and all of our new adventures. To keep you updated, please visit our website. Thank you for your continued support.

Jaime Williams



Sponsorship Opportunities

11th Annual 'Franklin Open' Benefit Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 6th 2009, Franklin Community Center, Inc. will host its 11th annual benefit golf tournament at Windy Hills Golf Course in Greenwich. We ask that you participate in this event by becoming a sponsor. There are several levels of sponsorship from which to choose. Please let us know which level best benefits your business. We appreciate your support!

PLATINUM SPONSOR \$5000.00

- Your Company will be the **exclusive** presenting sponsor. Event will be renamed the "11th Annual Franklin Open presented by " _____"
- Complimentary foursome at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured in full page color advertisement in Saratoga Today
- Company logo and recognition featured on banner that will be hung in downtown Saratoga
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament program, all promotional materials and banner (*provided by your company*) at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament T-shirts
- Company logo and link on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

GOLD SPONSOR \$2000.00

- Complimentary foursome at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured in full page color advertisement in Saratoga Today
- Company logo and recognition featured on banner that will be hung in downtown Saratoga
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament program, all promotional materials and banner (*provided by your company*) at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament T-shirts
- Company logo and link on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

BRONZE SPONSOR \$500.00

- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament program and large sign displayed where Mulligan Contest takes place at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament T-shirts
- Company logo on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

TEE SPONSOR \$100.00

- Company name on sign at Tee
- Company logo on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

SILVER SPONSOR \$1000.00

- Company logo and recognition featured in full page color advertisement in Saratoga Today
- Company logo and recognition featured on banner that will be hung in downtown Saratoga
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament program, all promotional materials and banner (*provided by your company*) at the tournament
- Company logo and recognition featured on tournament T-shirts
- Company logo and link on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

GREEN SPONSOR \$50.00

- Company name on sign at Green
- Company logo on our agency website
- Tax Deductible gift to the extent that the law allows

IN-KIND DONATIONS

Any Items that can be used for raffle or tournament prizes, such as:

- Hats with company logo
- Pens, pins, company merchandise, etc.
- Golf balls
- Golf towels
- Golf tees

REGISTRATION FORM

please submit no later than May 18th to guarantee design & printing for your company

Platinum Sponsor \$5000.00	Gold Sponsor \$2000.00	Silver Sponsor \$1000.00
Bronze Sponsor \$500.00	Tee Sponsor \$100.00	Green Sponsor \$50.00

Sponsor Name: _____
(if applicable, email logo to info@franklincommunitycenter.org)

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Work #: _____ Fax #: _____ Cell #: _____

Email: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Exp Date: _____

Credit Card Type (please circle): VISA MC DISCOVER AMEX

Name appearing on card: _____

Billing Address for card: _____

Amount to be charged on card: _____

If Amex, please include the four-digit code on the back of card: _____



Eleventh Annual “FRANKLIN OPEN” Benefit Golf Tournament

Windy Hills Golf Course

7:30 A.M. Saturday, June 6, 2009

\$75 Entry Fee - per person

The “2009 Franklin Open” will host the first 80 officially registered* participants at Windy Hills Golf Course, located at 219 Windy Hills Road in Greenwich, NY. This year’s event will include 18 holes of golf with cart, soda and hot dogs on the course during play, followed by prizes and lunch. Please fill out the registration form below and mail it with your credit card information, check or money order **or** register online at www.FranklinCommunityCenter.org.

All golfers should arrive no later than 7:30 a.m. for an 8 o’clock shotgun start. Any questions should be directed to the Community Center at **587-9826**.

- Separate tees for women and seniors
- Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place foursomes
- Prizes for closest to the pin and longest drive for both men and women

***Please note that registration forms are accepted on a first come, first served basis. You are officially registered when we have received all required information and entire registration fee for all members of your foursome.**

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE / EMAIL
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Credit Card Type (please circle): VISA MC Discover

Credit Card #: _____ Exp Date: _____

Name appearing on card: _____

Billing address for card: _____

Amount to be charged on card: _____





“There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.” —Edith Wharton

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Giving Opportunity: The center needs an up-to-date fax machine and an up-to-date laptop computer that will enable us to make presentations in the community. Thank You!

This Space Reserved For One or Two “Franklin Footnotes” Sponsors

Call Jen at 587-9826 for more information



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➔ **Golf Registration Enclosed** ➔

Franklin Community Center, a **non-profit human service agency** located at **10 Franklin Street** in Saratoga Springs, provides basic needs and services to less fortunate individuals and families in an effort to promote healthy lifestyles and positive changes. We have been providing efficient and effective services in our area for over **25 years**.

Despite the glamorous and affluent reputation **Saratoga Springs** has in the minds of many, as in most cities, there are also those people who struggle to make ends meet every day. The unique and comprehensive approach of Franklin Community Center fosters a sense of family for those in need, without the discomfort of bureaucratic paper work and prying questions. We offer guidance and advocacy, while providing a comfortable and friendly atmosphere. **Our philosophy is to send people out the door with whatever they came in looking for.** We work closely with other agencies, groups and churches in the area to create a user-friendly and effective referral system.

The programs and services we provide include, but are not limited to:

- safe and affordable housing
- a food pantry
- free clothing and furniture distribution
- advocacy and referral information
- holiday assistance
- teenage pregnant and parenting educational classes **(M.O.M.)**
- an after school youth prevention program called **Project Lift**
- AA and NA meetings

As a 501 (c)(3) private, non-profit, **we rely heavily on community donations and fund-raisers** to continue our efficient and effective services, which serve over 2,000 individuals each year.



Won't You Please Help?

Franklin Community Center serves as the “outreach action arm” for many caring individuals and organizations in the Saratoga area. By making monetary or other value donations to FCC, you can be assured that you will be **directly** and **positively** helping someone in need.

Please consider making, or increasing, a donation via a cash gift, participation in our golf fundraising event, food for the food pantry, or needed supplies for the mothers and infants in our M.O.M. program. Please call the Center or visit our web site for details.