



# Franklin Footnotes

"We Are Making A Difference"

## An Update for Friends of Franklin Community Center—April 2010

### What's happening at Project Lift

Project Lift, Franklin Community Center's after school prevention based program for youth attending Greenfield, Geyser Road and Lake Avenue Elementary Schools, is moving right along. The Geyser Road Elementary School Project Lift program is made possible in part with funds from **The Alfred Z. Solomon Charitable Foundation**. We have had a wonderful school year thus far and are looking forward to all of our spring adventures.

Project Lift staff is gearing up to seek out summer camp experiences for our Project Lift participants and their siblings. We are searching for sponsors who would like to make summer camp a reality for a "Lifter". Through generous donors, we work diligently to negotiate discounts and leverage funds to provide campships for students to attend various local programs. If you would like to help please contact Lehra, our Family Outreach Educator, at 587-9826 or [Lehra@franklincommunitycenter.org](mailto:Lehra@franklincommunitycenter.org).

I would like to extend a special thank you to the **Price Chopper's Golub Foundation** for their generous donation of \$400.00 to assist Project Lift with food. Between our Project Lift family functions and our daily snacks this donation is invaluable!

Thank you for your support,

*Jaime Williams*



### GIVE LOCAL



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Looking to give back to the community and increase advertising to your business? We are looking for **sponsors** and **prize donors** to support our annual golf tournament, **The Franklin Open**. Sponsorship packages start at only \$50 and are a great way to increase your visibility in the community! For more information visit [www.FranklinCommunityCenter.org](http://www.FranklinCommunityCenter.org) or call Courtney, our Coordinator of Development, at 587-9826. Look inside for registration information!

### FOOD PANTRY S.O.S.!!

Our food pantry supply is **extremely low!** We are getting ready for our busiest season of the year and need your help! Host a food drive or donate items and help community members in need. For ways to get involved contact FCC!

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### TWELVE Update

*Thank you to those who dined at Chianti Il Ristorante in support of Franklin Community Center! We were able to raise \$1099.45 to support programs at the Center! Thank you to the wonderful staff of Chianti Il Ristorante and DZ Restaurants for supporting the mission of Franklin Community Center. Together, we are making a **difference**.*

# Thanks



Price Chopper's **Golub Foundation** recently made a donation of \$400.00 to support Project Lift. Franklin Community Center would like to thank the Golub Foundation for their extremely generous gift that will help us continue providing effective and efficient services to Project Lift students and their families. Project Lift has been successfully serving the community for more than 20 years, through our program, family fun events and ancillary services the Center provides.

Once again the **Saratoga Springs United Methodist Church Mission Committee** has come to the aid of FCC! One phone call to ask for assistance in stocking the empty shelves of our food pantry resulted in a trunk full of donations that very day! Our warmest thanks to **Betsy Gibbs** for doing all the shopping!

**Stewart's Holiday Match** has donated \$4000.00 to support Franklin Community Center and its programs. The donation will be used to serve children enrolled in Project Lift. We are so grateful to have been chosen by Stewart's Holiday Match to receive funds! Franklin Community Center would like to thank Stewart's and their media sponsors for making the Holiday Match program possible. Thank you to all those who donated to the Holiday Match program at your favorite Stewart's Shop and helped to raise \$1,261,800 to support charities like FCC!



## The circus comes to Project Lift!



Learning to unicycle

Project Lift students were in for a special treat when **Circus Smirkus** arrived to teach them some tricks of the trade! Our students would like to thank Jonathon, Taylor and Lydia for sharing their talents and donating their time! Be sure to check out Circus Smirkus when they come to town!

Visit [www.circusmirkus.org](http://www.circusmirkus.org) for more information.

## Methods on Motherhood

Each month Franklin Community Center offers a free, educational session to pregnant and parenting teens in a supportive environment. The M.O.M.'s group discusses topics such as parenting skills, nutrition, budgeting and more! If you would like to attend a meeting or refer someone to the program, please contact Franklin Community Center. FCC thanks the United Methodist Church for the generous donation of space and resources to host our monthly meetings.



Students in 2nd grade at *Division Street Elementary School* donated more than 400 non-perishable food items to our food pantry in honor of their 100th Day celebration!

### UPDATE!

The \$5 Ham "Economic Stimulus" Dinner was a huge success! FCC received a donation of \$275 along with countless non-perishable items for our food pantry. FCC sends their thanks to all those who supported the dinner, the countless volunteers who made the event possible and the Saratoga Springs United Methodist Church!



## Donation Information

Donations of **non-perishable food, hygiene items, pet food and baby supplies** may be made at 10 Franklin Street, Monday–Friday, 8am-4pm. Our food pantry is running low and we are looking for donations to support us during our busiest season!



Donations of **gently used clothing, small household items and toys** may be made on Tuesdays, 9am-1pm at our distribution center located at 101 Washington Street.

**Monetary** donations may be made via PayPal online at [www.franklincommunitycenter.org](http://www.franklincommunitycenter.org), by mail or in person at Franklin Community Center.



Franklin Community Center is a 501(c) (3) organization; donations are tax deductible.

Don't forget to become a **Friend of the Center** in 2010! Simply mail in your Friends of the Center pledge card, donate online via PayPal, donate by mail or stop by the Center!

Please visit and support these **local** businesses that house our **coin boxes** month after month. Every little bit counts! Our agency has raised more than **\$1,300** in 2009 to support our programs and services. Thank you Allerdice Building Supply, D'Andrea's Liquor Store, Grapevine Fine Wines & Liquor, Crush & Cask, Roma Importing Co., Virgil's House, Sloppy Kisses, Purdy's Discount Wine & Liquor, Impressions of Saratoga and Esperanto for housing our coin boxes! If your business is interested in housing a coin box at your establishment, contact Courtney at our Center.

## Many Thanks

FCC staff and the Board of Directors would like to thank our dedicated Office Manager, **Pat Sammler**, for ten years of service. Pat will begin enjoying partial retirement in April and will continue assisting the Center with various duties. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to Franklin Community Center, Pat! Congratulations!

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