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Summer 2012

UWM Silver Spring Community Nursing Center Celebrates 25 Years of Service

The UWM Silver Spring Community Nursing Center has been an invaluable resource to the community since 1987, serving thousands of children, teens, adults and seniors annually. The nurses employ a holistic approach to delivering health services, which helps people even with chronic illnesses return to wellness.

"The Nursing Center has provided great support to Silver Spring Neighborhood Center in helping the individuals and families it partners with and serves to achieve self-sufficiency."

James Bartos
SSNC Executive Director

We celebrate the UWM Nursing Center staff by shining a spotlight on three women's programs:

Family Planning Only Services

"Women's health is essential to the health of the whole family. That's why we're fortunate to be able to

serve women from ages 15-44; and word of mouth is our best marketing tool," said Bev Zabler, assistant dean for Practice and Partnerships at the UWM College of Nursing. This Title 19-funded program provides free reproductive health services, including cancer screenings and STI/STD treatment, as well as contraceptives to eligible uninsured women.

Wisconsin Well Woman/Wise Woman Program is a healthy lifestyle

initiative aimed at women ages 45-64. We provide reproductive health care, diabetes and hypertension screenings, medication management, and nutrition and exercise counseling. "So many residents have diabetes and hypertension, and either don't know it ... or can't afford to find out. Our nurses go out into the community, and let people know about these services for eligible residents. For those without insurance, our center is a life-saver," adds Zabler.

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LaQuanda Kittler and baby Mariah

"The prenatal group was important because the other young ladies were going through a similar situation. I believe that women should take good care of themselves during their pregnancy. I had a good connection with my doctor, Camille Garrison."

LaQuanda Kittler, graduate of the first Prenatal Care Program class

Our Mission

Established in 1958, Silver Spring Neighborhood Center is a private, nonprofit organization committed to strengthening and enriching the Westlawn and neighboring community. We provide comprehensive and collaborative programs and services. These are identified by community residents and responsive to evolving community needs.

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"We have a wonderful 25-year partnership with the Silver Spring Neighborhood Center and presence in the community. Our services have filled a void for people with limited or no access to nursing and health care. We have a wonderful team that strives to foster relationships with community partners and clients as part of our model practice."

Jean Bell-Calvin
Nursing Center Director

Our first **Prenatal Care Program** class began last September and ended in March. The group of expectant moms received case management and support group

facilitation, as well as prenatal check-ups and medical care. We're pleased to announce that all the moms and babies are healthy. This program is a collaboration with Columbia St. Mary's Community Family Health Center in an effort to bring prenatal care into our Northwest neighborhood.

On May 21st, the Medical College of Wisconsin Department of Family and Community Medicine Research Forum honored **Jean Bell-Calvin, Michele De'Brabant, Bev Zabler, and the UWM Silver Spring Community Nursing Center** with the Community Partnership Award for our partnership with the Columbia St. Mary's Family Medicine Health Center.

FAMILY NIGHTS

200 participants attended our annual Black History Family Night in February. One of the highlights was the children in our ECEC program singing "Row Your Boat," using sign language taught by **Louie Flowers**, the head teacher of the Rainbow Room. Other entertainment included performances by our African Drummers and **Muhibb Dyer**, a spoken word artist, who shared a very empowering poem about black history. **Marcus Taylor**, an engineer at Rockwell Automation and the president of its African American Professional Network, spoke about his background and how he got to where he is today.



Our Rainbow Room children delight the crowd with a signed performance of "Row Your Boat."

Thanks go to the volunteers from **Rockwell's AAPN** for serving dinner and participating in the program.

TEAM SPORTS LEAGUES

Great job, guys! We're all so proud of you!



The 9th grade team placed 2nd in the NY2LA Spring Extravaganza held in Bloomington, MN.



Our 8th grade Spartans AAU basketball team won a 44-team tournament in Lansing, MI in March. The team finished with a perfect 8-0 record.

TRANSITIONAL JOBS PROGRAM

We are proud to announce that, since the inception of the Transitional Jobs Program 18 months ago, 106 clients have been trained, 86 have been placed in transitional jobs, and 41 are in permanent jobs with benefits. Thanks go to the following host employers:

- Advance Painting & Construction
- Anderson & Anderson
- Dreams & Visions Childcare
- Enrichment Opportunities
- Face-To-Face Etiquette
- Genco Pharmaceutical Services
- Hentzen Coatings
- House of Corned Beef
- Pereles Brothers Inc.
- Sherman Associates
- St. Camillus
- T.L. Reese Corporation

We celebrate the following program graduates on their new, unsubsidized positions:

- Shameka Carter - Johnson Controls
- Latrese Eiland - T.L. Reese Corporation
- Dontae Trammell - Hentzen Coatings
- Brandon Wilkinson - US Bank



On the job! Rodney Barry, a Transitional Jobs Program graduate, is a machine operator at Pereles Brothers Inc.

THANK YOU!

Ping Pong Was a Hit!

The city's First Annual Ping Pong Playoff at SPiN Milwaukee held in February raised \$10,000. The crowd of 150 competitors and spectators had a fun-filled night, enhanced by emcees **Carol Caine** and **Trenni Kusnierek**. Proceeds benefitted our early childhood literacy program. Hats off to **Young Milwaukee** and **SPiN Milwaukee** for organizing and sponsoring this event. Thanks also to Ace Sponsors: **65 Incorporated**, **BMO Harris Bank**, and **Northwestern Mutual**; Top Spinners: **Associated Bank**, **Jim & Julie Bartos**, **CBRE**, **Managed Health Services**, **ManpowerGroup**, **Brendan & Karen Moran**, **Pilot Freight**, **Quarles & Brady**, **QPS**, **Barbara Stein**, and **US Bank**.



2nd Annual Alumni Awards Breakfast

Three outstanding alumni were feted at our 2nd Annual Alumni Awards Breakfast on June 8th at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center:

Phil Knoebel

Phil loved playing on his friend Coach Turk's team at the Center during the mid 1970s.



In those years, Athletes for Youth ran the 7th - 9th grade league. There weren't many tackle football programs for that age group then, so it was great preparation for James Madison High School where Phil played on the varsity team. He was later accepted by North Iowa College on a football scholarship and pursued further studies at Tarkio College, also on a football

scholarship, and where he double majored in Economics and Business Administration. As an adult, he coached football for six years for the Lake Country Chiefs in Merton.

"I grew up right near the Center, and as an adult, I wanted to give back to the place where I started out in life," said Knoebel. In 1998, Phil, his brother, and a third philanthropist set up Corporations Caring for Kids to fund worthwhile youth nonprofit organizations in Milwaukee. "Since 2007, I've dedicated my share of our funding to Silver Spring. Coach taught us teamwork and the importance of maintaining good grades in school. I owe a great deal to the Center; it helped me get where I am today. I'd like to do even more in the years to come," he added.

After attending the 50th Anniversary celebration and connecting to the Center via board member Rich Neureuther, Phil found a great project with which to get involved. He took an active role on the yearlong planning committee that initiated our Transitional Jobs Program. Now that the program has been underway for more than a year, Phil is thrilled with its success and wants to help increase the number of opportunities for trainees, particularly in the manufacturing arena.

Phil is vice president of sales at Knoebel & Associates in Menomonee Falls, a family owned manufacturers' representatives company.

Von Mansfield

A lot of his drive to succeed started at Silver Spring. "Bobbie Recardo, Wendy Humphreys (former executive director), and George "Fig" Taylor (assistant athletic director), the teen talk sessions, the Night Beat program, when we visited the third shift at local businesses – I remember all of these as very vital to my childhood. At Silver Spring, character and being respectful of one's peers were critically important. These program focal points were the main attractions for the residents of Westlawn. It's no wonder why I chose education as a career, where I have the opportunity to pay it forward," said Mansfield.



A graduate of University School of Milwaukee, Von received his B.S. degree in education from UW-Madison, his M.S. degree in counselor education and counseling psychology from UW-Madison, and a M.A. degree in administration from Governors State University. He earned his PhD in curriculum and instruction from Loyola University Chicago.

Prior to beginning his career in education, Von played five years of professional football with the Philadelphia Eagles and the Green Bay Packers.

Von has maintained a passion for helping students succeed throughout his career. His past positions have included high school science teacher, coach, counselor, and principal. He

currently serves as superintendent of Homewood-Flossmoor High School in Flosswood, IL which has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a three-time Blue Ribbon Award Winning High School, an honor achieved by only two schools in Illinois.

In 2007, Mansfield received an Award of Excellence from the Illinois State Board of Education for outstanding contributions to Illinois education. In addition, he continues to serve on the Big Ten Advisory Commission on Minorities in Athletics. Mansfield is actively involved in his community and is a member of several professional organizations.

Marcia Roundtree

As a teen, Marcia spent five summers running track at Silver Spring, where she not only kept busy during the week, but traveled to every weekend competition. "It was a great thrill to meet others with the same talent from all over the country," said Roundtree. With this background, she ran varsity track as a freshman at Rufus King High School, where she was one of two athletes who went to State all four years, and graduated with a 4.0. In her senior year, she earned three gold medals at the State meet – for the 4 x 100 relay, the 4 x 200 relay, and the all around state meet, which the team won.

Marcia earned a four-year track scholarship to UWM, where she discovered that time management



was the key to being able to maintain good grades, excel in track, and work part-time.

Since graduation, Marcia has coached the girls team at Rufus King. Her former Silver Spring coach, David Conner, recruited her to volunteer to coach the younger girls in 2009. She has plans to add a track program to the recreation program at the Milwaukee Job Corps Center, where she is a recreation specialist. Her goal is to coach at the college level.

In addition to her fine coaches, Marcia credits one special person with her success: "My mom's encouragement was key. She was my right hand, my backbone."

Each awardee received paintings created by our children in Ms. Earl's classroom at SSNC's ECEC. The artists are: **Endia Anthony, Amagee Brown, Jada Hawkins, Miesha Hawkins, and Jordyn Robinson.**

Another highlight of the event was the premiere of our new video with the soundtrack composed and produced by Browning CLC students **Tehya Evans, Anissia Jones, Aniyah Dean, Ikeria Bray, and Destiny Person.**

Thanks go to emcee and honorary event chair former governor **Marty Schreiber**. Thanks to our sponsors: **BMO Harris Bank; Jim & Julie Bartos; GENCO; Johnson Controls; Knoebel and Associates, Inc.; Marcus Hotels & Resorts; Martin Schreiber & Associates, Inc.; we energies;** and media sponsors **The Business Journal and Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.**

Welcome New Board Members

Shawn Hansbrough is commodity portfolio manager at we energies and a longtime community activist.

Fraser Engerman is the director of global media relations and corporate communications at Johnson Controls.

United Way Gives Two of Our Funded Programs A Rating Of "Outstanding"

Early Childhood Education Center
Youth Social Development Programs

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Congratulations to our GED Graduates!

- Victoria R. Brooks
- Vincent Haley
- Robert Hill
- Diana Lang
- Opal Manning
- James O' Claire
- Gerald Rooney

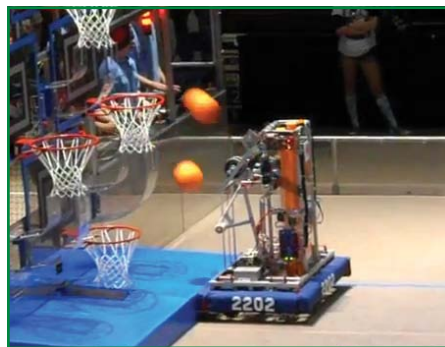


COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS (CLCs)

FIRST® Robotics State Competition

High school students at the School of Career & Technical Education CLC won 2nd place in the FIRST® Robotics State Competition held on March 23rd at the US Cellular Arena. The task was to build a robot that plays basketball and can be maneuvered to balance on a seesaw. Their robot "Cougarbot" rocked it! They will now compete for the national championship being held in Las Vegas this summer.

Under strict rules, limited resources, and time limits, teams are challenged to raise



The mechanical competition was fierce.



funds, design a team brand, hone teamwork skills, and build and program robots to perform prescribed tasks against a field of competitors. It's as close to real-world engineering as a student can get. Thanks go to volunteer mentors **Mr. Stitch** and **Mr. Guzman** (SCTE teachers) for their mechanical expertise and guidance.

The ultimate goal is to qualify for the World Competition and vie for nearly \$14.8 million in college scholarships. **Good luck in Vegas!**



Science Can Be fun

What caused the Titanic to sink? Thanks to an MPS science immersion program grant, our 4th and 5th graders had fun (and learned a lot) finding the answer. Pictured is an experiment using spoons to weigh down an ice cube tray, and then discovering how much water is needed to make it float. The students also made clay boats and added coins to see how they affected buoyancy. The semester-long Titanic curriculum featured physics, geography, and charts and maps activities.



Rapping Against Bullying

Never before has everyone at Burroughs been engaged in a semester-long project as exciting as this one! Thanks to **Marquis and Dwight Gilbert** from **H2O Music** and a grant from Artists Working in Education, our students learned everything there is to know about producing a full-length music video. Having decided upon an anti-bullying theme, the students wrote and learned to play their own music, composed the lyrics, choreographed their performance, and recorded the video which premiered on May 22nd in the family- and fan-packed cafeteria...and was uploaded on YouTube.



Thank You!

Helaine Glass, a retired librarian, decided that World Reading Day should be a special day for the 4th and 5th graders at Browning CLC. So she donated 20 copies of "Because of Winn Dixie" by Kate DiCamillo, a 2001 Newbery Honor book, which is a heartwarming story about love, friendship, and tolerance. She then read selected passages aloud to inspire the children to read and love the book as much as she does.



Annual Achievement Awards Dinner



More than 250 program participants, volunteers, and agency partners attended our Annual Achievement Awards Dinner on May 31st.

This year's outstanding award recipients were:

Carl Werner Volunteer of the Year Award

William Davis
Thomas and Marie Lucas

Bobbie Recardo Athlete of the Year Award

Darryl Riley

Joan Boehm the Great Student Award

Keyon Brown

Nancy A. Wright Achievement Award

Miles Wilson

Edith H. Markson Outstanding Student Achievement Award

Shakiel Jefferson

Evelyn Grant Senior Award

Billy Haynes

Wendy Humphreys Youth Community Service Award

Terrell Davenport

Terry Siegler Adult Education Achiever Award

James O'Claire
Tynetta Brown
Diana Lang

Family of the Year

Kimberly Spencer and family

Everyone enjoyed dinner prepared by Executive Director Jim Bartos and a performance by the Browning School CLC's African drummers and dancers. Special thanks to **Kathy Johnson** and **Eric Woulfe** for once again organizing the event.



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