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Your Human Resources Newsletter

Staff News



We would like to congratulate **Chelsea DiBattista** for recently being hired full time at the Daycare Center at Eagleview. Chelsea has been working PT in the Childcare programs and is now a new FT time staff person in daycare at Eagleview. **Kathryn Hallquist** recently joined us as Associate Competitive Swim Director at UMLY. She comes to us from the south and this is her first winter in the

northeast ! We would also like to congratulate **Jeremy Brown** on his recent promotion to Associate Aquatics Director and **Mary Beth Jones** for just being promoted to FT Aquatic Coordinator. In addition, congratulations go to **Jill Glasgow** on her recent promotion to Physical Director at UMLY. Jill has been working full time in Welcome Center and will now be using her talents and skills in the Physical

Dept. **Kevin Curley** is the new Sports Director at UMLY. Kevin has been coaching for area high schools for many years. He joined our staff last year as an instructor. The UMLY Welcome Center has recently had some changes. **Tiffany Tidmarsh** has moved PT in babysitting while she continues her studies. **Marjorie Feliciani** is taking on the room rental responsibilities.

Staff News Con't

Tameka Watson will now be night shift supervisor and **Chris Hannon** is our newest FT employee at the Welcome center. Chris has been working PT and will be an excellent addition to our FT staff. **Vanise Moaney** has joined our staff as new Welcome Center Night Coordinator. She comes from the Delaware YMCA and we are excited that she has joined us. In addition to all of the new full time staff, we would like to welcome aboard all of our new part time staff.

Congratulations are also due to the **Kevin Handy** on his recent promotion to PT Instruction Sports Coordinator at UMLY. **Elizabeth Mojzes** has recently announced her retirement. Elizabeth worked at the YMCA of the Upper Main Line for (drum role please) 36 years !!!! She has worked in our dance department the entire time. For may years she was the "Directress of Dance." She has taught countless tiny ballerinas their first

dance moves. We would like to thank Elizabeth for her many years of dedicated service to the YMCA and wish her the very best in the future. We also have to bid a fond farewell to **Dyanne Delaney**, Administrative Asistant to Jackie Fenn, Branch Executive at the Lionville YMCA. Although Dyanne has not been here nearly as long, she to will be missed. We wish her well in her new endeavors.

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YMCA Village People

On a spectacular day late last fall on the Schuylkill River, the YMCA of the Upper Main Line paddled to first place in the Non-Profit Division of the 2009 Philadelphia Dragon Boat Festival. The festival, Philadelphia's annual celebration of an ancient Chinese tradition, is an unusually colorful and dramatic regatta, with the boats, the world's largest flat water racing canoes, festooned in brilliant and elaborate dragon heads and tails. This year, 149 teams participated (that's 3,200+ people!) and we placed 42nd overall. Our boat, making its 3rd appearance at the festival, was captained by Dave Williams, kept in synch to the beat of drummer Bria Cerra, and powered by 20 strong, energetic and enthusiastic

paddlers - the "YMCA Village People," comprised of YMCA staff, members and friends whose ages span 4 decades!

Race day began in the pre-dawn hours as we made our way to our tent (one of 200 lining the river) and set up our provisions for the next 12 hours - blankets and beach chairs, coolers and grills, breakfast, snacks, lunch, more snacks, a 2nd lunch! The 12 hours of camaraderie, eating, napping, and jogging around the river (only the die-hard athletes in the group!) were punctuated by our three 500-meter races, each about 2 ½ minutes long, 3 to 4 hours apart. It is the longest, most grueling 2 ½ minutes, but we were rewarded with such a feeling of exhilaration and accomplish-



ment, cheered on by thousands of spectators and inspired by our cause, YCares, for which we raised over \$300. If anyone is interested in organizing a boat for this year please contact Rachel Dunleavy at rachel.dunleavy.umly.org for what is becoming a thrilling and memorable YMCA tradition.

Staff Star



We are so happy to inform you that **Sean Hamilton**, part time Welcome Center

Associate at the Lionville Community YMCA has co-founded a student service group at West Chester University, where he is a senior.

The name of the service is *Student Outreach to Urban Schools*, known as **SOUS**. This student service group offers free supplies and services like tutoring and mentoring to schools that cannot afford them. West Chester University has recognized the organization as a volunteer service organization and they have over 60 volunteer members involved with fundraising and help-

ing with delivery of these services. For their most recent drive was book donations that they collected from Lionville and Eagleview sites. They have gathered over 2,000 books from the generous members and staff and will be delivering them to schools over the next couple of months. Great job Sean ! We are proud of you.

Chinese New Year at UMLY

The Upper Main Line YMCA, in collaboration with the Great Wall Chinese School in Villanova, celebrated Chinese New year on February 14, 2010. This is the 5th year that this wonderful event has taken place. Under the guidance of Jenny Au, Director of Grants and special events, over 500 people partici-

pated. New this year was the performances were held at TE Middle school. The attendants then came over to UMLY for fun and food. There were many activities to participate in and demonstrations to observe. There were more dance performances to watch and one of the highlights was the dragon

dance. We would like to thank all of the wonderful dancers, and volunteers who made this day so special.



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Don't forget to sign up at www.umly.net, the staff and volunteer portal of the YMCA of the Upper Main Line, Berwyn, Lionville and Eagleview if you have not done so already. We ask all current employees and volunteers to register an account with the web site. This will not only give you access to the appropriate HR and Business Office forms, but it will also allow you to keep up to date with association and branch happenings. Go to www.umly.net to register.

We would also like to remind you go to the staff portal to take your mandatory staff trainings. You should have completed the Child Protection Training and the Bloodborne Pathogen training is now available until the end of April.

Congratulations to the following five departments throughout the Association had 100% of their staff turn in their handbook acknowledgement by 4 pm on the due date of March 5th!

110 - UMLY Membership, 221 - LCY Competitive Aquatics, 251 - LCY Afterschool Program,, 252 - LCY Preschool and 550 - Eagleview Daycare.

Thank you to everyone that worked so hard to meet this deadline! These departments will get pizza from Berni Pippett-Mullen at your next staff meeting.

News Briefs

Dawn Woodward (UMLY Member services associate) recently returned back after the birth of her beautiful daughter Isabella. Both mother and daughter are doing well and we are glad to have Dawn back.

We would also like to congratulate **Barb Brown** (Association and Physical depts.) for the recent birth of her first grandchild Robert, who was born on New Year Eve. Barb's daughter Katie (former gymnastics staff) her husband and baby Robert are all doing great !

As you are aware the YMCA of the Upper Main Line is collaborating with the Church Farm School in summer camp program. We would like to welcome **Chuck Watterson** as the Camp Director. We are all looking forward to the new and exciting program.

The Lionville staff had a fantastic time at the Snow Ball held at Dane Decor in Downingtown on March 20. Other events to look forward to soon are Trivia night at Lionville and the Berwyn Triathlon in April.

Just Announced

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to **Leslie Rylke** who just joined the Lionville staff as Jackie Fenn's assistant. Leslie and her family live locally in Downingtown. She is a former Y member and has been working at the Mann Center for the past few years - before that the US Holocaust Museum and the Kennedy Center. She also worked as an assistant on 3rd Rock From the Sun and Roseanne. Her husband is a history professor at West Chester University and they have two small children - 7 yrs old and 1.

