

PEOPLE PROGRAM FALL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back!

We are so excited to begin our spring semester, and we have abundant hope that members will “indulge” in all the upcoming classes and events!

Our special People Program embrace is extended to our new students. May your participation bring much enrichment!

Please remember to pick up your **name tag** on the Lakeshore campus. This allows everyone to become more familiar with each other. Let us know if we are missing yours!

Important holiday dates:

**Mardi Gras Week: March 3 – 7**

**Easter Week: April 14 – 18**

**Spring Session ends on May 16**



**Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to People Program!**

**Wow!** It has been 40 years since Sr. Alice Marie Macmurdo, CSJ was inspired to begin a program

that allowed retirees to seek purpose and fulfillment through creative and leisure learning. So many have benefited from this extraordinary journey, and we look forward with great anticipation to future growth. Our Annual Spring Gala, “All Jazzed Up”, will be a very special event dedicated to our 40 years.

**Save the date: Sunday, March 30, The Royal Palm on Manhattan Blvd. in Harvey.**

Bobby Cure and his Poppa Stoppa Band will entertain, and the menu will be sensational.

Individual tickets are \$55, and please let us know if you have a connection with a company or person that may want to be an event sponsor. See Jan Martino for more details.



**Special Guest Art Instructor**

People Program is happy to welcome renown local artist, Gregory Jones to the Lakeshore Campus for a 6 week oil painting class **February 17 – March 31.**

The class will take place on Monday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m., and all level of artists are welcomed! Mr. Jones received a

B.A. in Fine Arts from Southern University and an M.F.A. from U.N.O. He also served as an adjunct professor at S.U.N.O. from 1985-1991.

The class is limited to 10. The sign- up sheet is at the front desk. No fee is required. Mr. Jones will have a supply list for those needing oil paint items.

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**Calling all “Circle Drawers” from Spring 2013!**

Last spring, approximately 20 members of Angela and Russ Carll’s “Current Events” class and Bill Kappel’s “Strength Training” class, participated in a study measuring hand tremor by drawing spirals for Laura Jensen, one of our Tulane University Medical School’s gerontology interns. Lauren has completed her analysis of our participation and will present the results on

**Monday, February 3, at noon in room 4.** (Lauren will also discuss “age stigma consciousness” and its influence on exercise frequency.) You need not have been a participant to attend, but all participants will want to be there to see how we are affecting research in gerontology through our partnership with Tulane.

**Human Trafficking is NOT a sport.**

An estimated 21 million people, including children as young as 5, are trafficked for commercial sex or forced labor across our world today. Large sporting events, such as The Super Bowl, are known to provide a lucrative market for human traffickers. Faith communities and many civil society groups have been actively educating hotel staff and the wider public about this modern form of slavery. It is our hope and prayer that Super Bowl XLVIII will be a big win in our nation’s effort to end human trafficking.

Special Prayer for The Super Bowl faithful:

“Loving God, we pray for those men, women, and children for whom the Super Bowl means abuse, exploitation, and entrapment. For all vulnerable victims of human trafficking and domestic abuse, we pray...”.



Sr. Janine will once again have recycling bins available for eye glasses, batteries, and ink cartridges. Please look for them by the door of her office next to room 2. Thanks for your concern for the health of our planet!

Courtesy is part of our culture. Please remember to park on an angle that allows others to have a place also. Refrain from parking by the yellow strips that designate sidewalk passage. Handicap parking spots mean just that! Always pick up any cups, papers, etc. as you leave class. We appreciate your kind consideration.



**Prayers Needed**

- LaVerne Kappel
- Russ Carll
- Roseann LaBostrie
- Mary Taylor
- Phyllis Sassoon
- Grace Harrison



**In Memoriam**

- Kitty Wichlacz
- (Jane Dassey’s mother)
- Katherine Ancar
- Darline Planchet



**The Whole World Smiles With You!**

**As Advertised...**I was driving into town when I noticed a handwritten sign in front of a shop that said: WEISI PUPS. I know quite a bit about dog breeds, but I’d never heard of that one , so I stopped and asked the woman in the store if I could see one of her Weshi pups. She looked at me as if I were crazy. I pointed to the sign out front. “Oh!” she said with a smile of recognition. “That says “We Ship UPS.””



My father’s hearing aid occasionally emits a brief high-pitched squeal that can hardly be heard by anyone near him. One day, my little niece was sitting on his lap when the device started to beep. Surprised, my niece looked up at him. “Grandpa,” she said. “You’ve got mail.”

