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SETON CENTER
1900 Pioneer Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15226

NEWSLETTER

Seton Center Highlights: 2016-2017

CHILDREN Seton Center provides quality care and educational enrichment for infants, toddlers and pre-school children. School aged youth benefit from a pre- and after-school program in which breakfast is available. They are then shuttled to 4 city schools by Seton vans and in the afternoon picked up for tutoring and homework time, a snack, and recreation until parents take them home.

In the past year, 83 infants & toddlers, and 135 preschoolers (aged 3-5) participated in Seton Center child care. 120 additional children were part of our school aged program. The Center benefits from the training and resources made available last year when we earned a Pennsylvania Keystone Stars 4 (the highest) rating.

Seton Center was selected to aid the wider public. We were one of only six centers across Pennsylvania for a study funded by Heinz Endowment to assess whether state subsidies are sufficient to cover the true costs of high quality child care. Their May report shows that all centers face inadequate funding, usually resulting in lower wages for staff.

SENIORS Adult day-care serves frail adults that cannot be left home alone. Many are afflicted with Alzheimer's and other dementias, Parkinson's, stroke and other neurological problems, mental disabilities arthritis and other chronic illnesses.

Seton Center served 104 adults in the Brookline and Greensburg day care program. Many came every day, some a few days a week.

The Seton Senior Center provides a host of opportunities to area seniors, including socialization, activities, physical exercise, outings, and referrals to other programs when special needs arise. The Center is a hub for various services through Allegheny County Department of Aging, such as food vouchers, referrals to other agencies, transportation information, and other services. 1900 Pioneer is also an emergency shelter in times of intense cold or heat. A nurse is on duty daily for any health issues that arise in either the day care or drop-in centers.

SENIOR Events in June – must be 60 years of age or older

BINGO Mondays in August (and every Monday following) from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
We will play 16 games of bingo. Winner of each game will receive \$5.00, and there will be one \$25.00 jackpots.
lunch will be provided.
Cost: \$5.00 per person

LUNCHEON Monday, August 28, 2017
ICE CREAM 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
SOCIAL COST: \$7.00
Bingo and Baskets
RESERAVATION NEEDED
Call - 412-344-4777

CCAC Tuesday, September 12, 19 and 26, 2017
HEALTHY 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
COOKING Please call 412-344-4777 to register
CLASS Seton Center, 1900 Pioneer Ave

CCAC Wednesday, September 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2017
BOOST YOUR Wednesday, October 4 and 11, 2017
BRAIN HEALTH 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
Please call 412-344-4777 to register

ADULT DAY SERVICE Events in JULY

CRAFT Adult Day Service and Senior Center craft, "ROCK PAINTING"

 CRISTMAS IN JULY PARTY 



The Art Cart down at Moore Park



From Sister Barbara

I am deeply grateful for the Center's blessings through the past year and to our staff, families, and contributors – for making them possible. Our staff is especially to be commended. Caregivers and teachers in the child center continue to go beyond normal limits of a good job, more than just maintaining our Keystone Star 4 rating. Senior caregivers daily engage our elderly.

What especially delights me are the intergenerational connections. In my large family when we were children, older adults in the neighborhood were a constant part of our lives. I'm sure our parents were glad to get periodic calls when one of us was out of line or to commend good behavior. "Family" stretched far into the neighborhood. Today this seldom happens and even grandparents can live in distant cities. But at Seton Center caring relationships do develop among children and seniors. Family grows and all of us benefit.

Fostering intergenerational activity comes naturally from my immediate family and from my Seton Heritage. Mother Seton was widowed when her children were young. She had to struggle: raising them, teaching others both to support her family and to share the Gospel, and eventually engaging young women attracted to her work and forming our Sisters of Charity. It was all forged in Charity – love lived amidst everyday challenges and opportunities. As with Mother Seton, "family" empowers all of us.

I am deeply grateful for the work and commitment of each of Seton's 75 staff members. I am grateful to all of you friends who rallied financially to carry our work into the future. I am honored to share our mission with you.
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