

THE MARCY-NEWBERRY POST

For Supporters of Marcy Newberry Association, Inc.

MARCY NEWBERRY 2010-2011 PROGRAM AND ACTIVITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

thank you

Because of your support we were able to accomplish the following...

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

- Served over 400 children through a combination of programs in Early Head Start, Head Start, and Pre-K (ages 6 weeks - 5)
- Served over 130 children through the After School Program (ages 5 -13)
- Successful completion of the 2011 Head Start Triennial Federal Review process
- Passed annual licensing inspection at all Marcy Newberry sites
- Successfully recruited teachers with Bachelors of Arts degrees in Early Childhood Education

YOUTH PROGRAMS

- Provided 120 educational scholarships to elementary school children used toward private school tuition
- Provided a series of Evening Programs for community youth and adult groups
- Completed a 10-Week Summer Camp Program for youth (ages 5 -13)

SENIOR PROGRAM

- Served over 280 Senior Citizens through the Intensive Case Advocacy and Support program at the Congressman Collins Home

AGENCY

- Received an unqualified audit for FY 2010-2011
- 532 volunteers served Marcy Newberry representing 21 groups totaling 2,820 hours at a value of \$26,485

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ALSO EDUCATES PARENTS

Parent Jataun Perrin brings her children Jalisa (age 2) and Jaliyah (age 4) to the Marcy Newberry Fosco Center. "I commute every day from the southeast side of Chicago to bring my girls to school," said Ms. Perrin. She was with one of Marcy Newberry's former partners but decided to stay with the agency because of what we have to offer the family. Ms. Perrin continued, "The staff and teachers are compassionate about their jobs. They really care about the children and their families. I

Representative) and volunteer. While working on these committees, I have been to Washington DC for the *Birth to Three Conference* and *Regional 5 Head Start* here in Chicago. I have had a great time meeting people from different states sharing stories and ideas about teaching children in Head Start. What I enjoy most is volunteering in the classroom and going on field trips, experiencing firsthand what my children are learning."

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Jataun Perrin and her daughters Jaliyah and Jalisa

have had the opportunity to attend several programs, workshops and trainings. I have received a certificate in money management, asthma and CPR training. I have attended a financial literacy, employment preparedness and Go Smart workshop. I am also actively involved in the Parent Policy Committee (President), Citywide Parent Policy Committee (Delegate), Marcy Newberry Board of Directors (Parent

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ONE FAMILY, ONE AGENCY FOR MANY COMMUNITIES

In the past 33 years, it has been my great pleasure to lead Marcy-Newberry through some very good years and some challenging times. We have seen many agencies and organizations close their doors and leave the community. However, with the support of donors like you and the efforts of our dedicated staff, Marcy Newberry Association has thrived.



*Benjamin J. Kendrick,
Executive Director*

Chicago, and they are building blocks for every community. The broad and diverse programs and services of Chicago nonprofits address

According to the experts, the nonprofit sector is a vital force in the economy of Chicago and in the well-being of its residents. Nonprofit organizations are resources for everyone who lives in

virtually every facet of human experience. They further research to cure disease, enrich our spirits with art and architecture, provide after-school programs for our kids, and give job training to friends who are out of work.

In this edition of the newsletter, you will read about our work, the spirits that have been enriched and the after-school and evening programs provided for our kids, the empowerment of parents and the impact on all. As I live, move and have my being I have learned to take the bitter with the sweet. On September 22, 2011 30-percent of our staff voted to join the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), who will represent them in collective bargaining with the Administrative Staff of the agency. When all is said and done, we anticipate improved service to our community and that union and non-union employee's work together as one.

We will be successful as we work together as one agency, and one family sharing a great history of service to the community. There is much to do.

METRO WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ANNUAL FASHION SHOW

This annual Marcy-Newberry Association fashion extravaganza comes to you again! Watch our glamorous models take to the catwalk and enjoy a visual feast while having lunch...



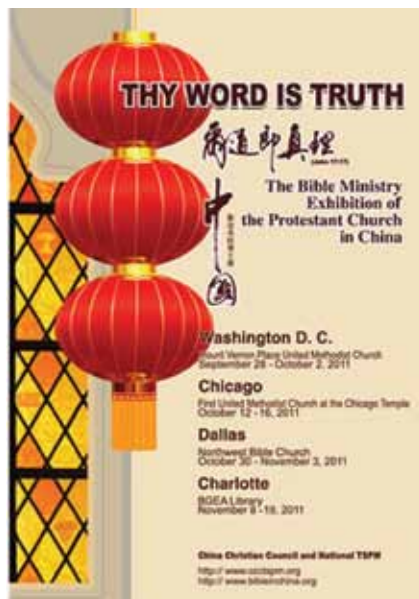
Saturday, April 28, 2012
12:00 noon
Georgio's Banquets
8800 W. 159th Street
Orland Park, Illinois 60462

Donation: \$50.00

To make your reservations now, call Rev. Margaret Ann Williams or Rev. Gladys King-Lucas at (312) 829-7555

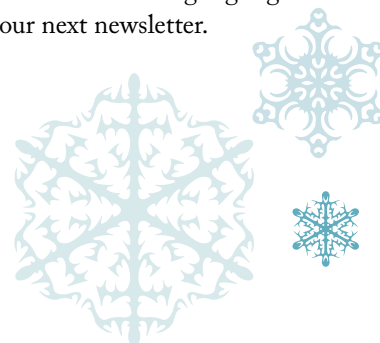
DELEGATION FROM THE CHINA BIBLE MINISTRY LEARNS FROM MARCY NEWBERRY IN CHICAGO

Marcy Newberry Association was chosen by the Northern Illinois Program Office of the United Methodist Church to host a delegation from China at its Fosco Site. The delegation of eight was interested in learning how social service agencies operated in Illinois with the goal of taking applicable knowledge back to China and raising their vision about the possibilities for service. Staff at Marcy Newberry presented topics that ranged from children and youth programs, church relations, and fundraising. During lunch the Newberry Children's Community Choir presented several musical selections. Humboldt Park Social Service agency also shared the teaching platform at Fosco. To learn more about the delegations journey visit the link: http://gbgm-umc.org/global_news/full_article.cfm?articleid=6105



NEW PROGRAMS COMING THIS WINTER

Marcy Newberry is excited to be rolling out the following new programs this winter, Karate, Steppin and Tumbling. We look forward to sharing highlights in our next newsletter.



29TH ANNUAL CHICAGO CROP HUNGER WALK



**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 16, 2011**

For the twelfth consecutive year Marcy Newberry Association employees, program participants and church related volunteers have participated in the Chicago Crop Hunger Walk raising more money and having more participants than in years past. The principle of giving and receiving is seen in a dynamic way with this initiative. Employees and their family walk and donate then in turn the agency receives a grant that is well above and beyond what was given. This grant

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helps to provide a meal for those in need in the Marcy Newberry community, like the Family Night Out or Thanksgiving Dinner. Thank you to our Crop Walk supporters from the churches, sororities, other organizations, staff, parents and volunteers for a banner year.



PROGRAM

YOUNG MEN AT THEIR BEST (YMATB)

Young Men At Their Best (YMATB) is a program designed to assist young men in their beginning stage of adolescence to transition to the next stage of young adulthood by developing their moral and ethical foundation which will enable them to effectively negotiate obstacles faced by everyday struggles of urban life. Services

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are provided to young men between the ages of 13-17 in a safe structured group setting. The activities focus on teaching young men through mentoring, group or one-on-one sessions a range of life skills, including how to cope with stress, set goals, be aware of and control their feelings, solve problems, deal with peer pressure and communicate better. Below program participant Marcus Embrey shares his experience.

“At Newberry Center, I learned to stand up for myself and to be assertive without being aggressive. It has helped me to become stronger - helping a little boy grow into a teenager. I am getting to know all kinds of people. My mother taught me to be open-minded and to learn to get along with and accept everybody. I have a lot of fun playing basketball, swimming in the summer and going on field trips.”

– Marcus Embrey, age 10



Hubame Hughes is a 15 year old youth who lives in the community on Morgan Street. He has been involved with Young Men at Their Best for a year and shares his experience thus far.

“Most of the young men are on the street doing the wrong thing and I don’t want to be like that. I want to do something with my life; I want to go to college. Since being in the program I have become more independent and comfortable in my own skin. I have learned how to talk to people, look them in their eyes and shake their hand firmly. My confidence level has risen. If I was not in the program I would be home by myself or on the street. The program gives me something productive to do. The program helps you know your true self.”

– Hubame Hughes, age 15



YMATB participants gather early for the evening program.

NEWBERRY 13

The program started in July 2009 to provide a safe place for the females ages 13 thru 17 to come to engage in positive social activities that will assist in building their self esteem, moral character, and self

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awareness to aid in making better choices when approached by gangs and other negative elements of the community. Female youth are most vulnerable during this age range and require positive role models to guide and support their growth and development. It is our mission to structure a program that offers a safe haven, a nurturing learning environment

and opportunities that would build positive self-esteem, and promote healthy lifestyle choices, as well as becoming productive citizens. Below program participants Ikea Ellis (age 14), Alicia Buie (age 14) and Angel Grady (age 13) all share a similar experience.

Because of Newberry 13, we are not in gangs, not having sex, selling drugs or fighting. Newberry 13 is a place where we can come to learn how to do other things. We have never been a part of a group discussion. We get to go places we have never been, like the Willis Tower Sky Deck. We all have a nice time coming to the program because it is like a second family to us. We feel that many girls need to be in this program because they would change a lot – We all have. We went from shy girls to girls who love to talk. Because of Newberry 13, we are much better people inside and out.



Gertrude “Gertie” Ricks

Director of Program Operations

Ms. Ricks worked as the Director of Program Operations for Marcy-Newberry from 2004-2006 and returned in April of 2011 as a consultant to assist the organization in a successful Head Start Triennial Federal Review. She has a Bachelor of Arts from De Paul University and a Masters in Early Childhood Education and Administration from Loyola University and is a W.K. Kellogg Leadership Fellow Group IX. Ms. Ricks has more than two decades of National Program Management in Child Welfare, Human Services and Child Care. She can be reached at 312-829-7555 ext. 122

Melanie Frazier, CFRE

Director of Development

Ms. Frazier is a fundraising professional with more than a decade of experience in nonprofit fundraising and management. As a consultant she has provided support to grass root organizations like United African Organization and True Star Foundation to build or strengthen their board of directors and implement best practices for fundraising success. Ms. Frazier holds a bachelor's degree in Organizational Communications, a master's degree in Training and Development both from Roosevelt University, a master's certificate in Advanced Philanthropy and the Nonprofit Sector from Loyola University and an Associate Degree in Theology from the Way College of Biblical Research. Ms. Frazier is a certified fundraising executive. She can be reached at 312-829-7555 ext. 132 or mfrazier@marcy-newberry.org.



Newberry 13 meeting

FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Ms. Prette Moore has an 11 year old daughter in the Newberry

Thanks to the supporters of this Marcy Newberry program, she has no fear of being bullied...

Community Children's Choir. According to Mrs. Moore, "My family and I benefit from the way agency programs help keep the children's attention focused. My daughter is at that 'awkward' age and thanks to the supporters of this Marcy Newberry program, she has no fear of being bullied. We enjoyed the recent Agency-sponsored 'Family Night Out'. We are so grateful! This activity provided an opportunity to relax and not have to worry about preparing dinner, after leaving work. It was good to meet and chat with other parents while enjoying a tasty meal."



Ms. Prette Moore and her 11-year-old daughter enjoy the Family Night Out activity sponsored by Marcy-Newberry Association.



PROGRAM

NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Newberry Community Children's Choir was founded in 1985 by Ethelyn Taylor. The choir has performed in the Chicagoland area and beyond; performing at worship services, programs, special events, annual conferences, functions with the City of Chicago as well as educational institutions, nursing homes and major functions at the Lexington House, and a performance tour in Minnesota. The choir is made up of 20 – 40 community children from various Chicago communities that are supported by parents and volunteers.

Their grades have improved and both are on the honor roll.

"As a working parent, I feel good knowing my two boys, ages 7 and 12 are in a safe place when performing with the Newberry Community Choir and enjoying fun activities! The boys are in an environment where they have the opportunity to get along with others by learning to share and support each other. Their grades have improved and both are on the honor roll. Both children enjoy their participation in the choir."
– Mrs. Linda Boykin, Parent



Newberry Community Children's Choir performing at the Lexington House in Chicago

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ALVIN D. SIMS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FROM PRE-SCHOOL TO GRADUATE SCHOOL – THIS IS HOW WE DO IT!

The Alvin D. Sims Scholarship (ADS) program provides fifty (50) percent tuition to 120 elementary school students that seek to attend parochial and private schools. The intent of this scholarship program is to give low income students an opportunity to experience a diverse perspective of education, increase their academic scores to obtain entry into sought after high schools and thus increase their chances for higher education and scholarships.

Michael and Sharon Feagins are parents of Sherri (age 24) and Sharron (age 19). Both girls attended Pre-School at Marcy Newberry until the age of five, then attended Holy Family Catholic School for eight years with the help of ADS Scholarships, then high school at Lane Tech. Each maintained a B average and were on the honor role throughout high school. Sherri is pursuing her masters at the University of Illinois in Early Childhood Education specializing in reading. She is on track to graduate May 2012. Sharron is at Northern Illinois University pursuing a bachelor in Early Childhood Education. Sharron will be volunteering with the ADS scholarship

Needless to say the parents are very proud.

program during her holiday break. She is on track to graduate with a master in 2016. Both have received scholarships from their respective universities. Needless to say the parents are very proud. Thank you to the Alvin D. Sims family for their faithful support. If you would like information about this program, please contact Jocqueline Kelly at 312-829-7555 ext. 134.



Sherri Feagins



Sharron Feagins

Pre-School Graduation at Marcy Newberry

DEBORAH McLAIN AWARDED FOR COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

On November 15th, Deborah McLain, Education Coordinator for Marcy Newberry Association, was recognized by the Chicago Coalition of Site Administered Child Care Programs with an award for her commitment and dedication to providing quality direct supervision in Early Childhood Education in service to children and families. Ms. McLain has over fifteen years of direct supervision in education and the business sector. She is responsible for the professional development plans for over 100 employees and volunteers. During the recent Head Start Federal Review Ms. McLain took the lead on the categories of

Education, Professional Development and Teaching Strategies and assured the successful coordination of services. Her Bachelors of Arts in early Childhood Education and Psychology provides her with strong educational and management skills that attribute to her ability to implement and manage the education services to families and children. Ms. McLain is the first one to arrive at work and the last one to leave. Her commitment to excellence and providing “the best” for families and children is exemplified in all that she does. Congratulations to her on this well deserved honor!

MARCY NEWBERRY ASSOCIATION, INC.

SERVICE SITES

For 128 years, Marcy Newberry Association, Inc. has been addressing the needs of the most vulnerable on the Near West Side of Chicago. The most vulnerable include: Early Head Start (ages six weeks – 3); Head Start, Pre-K and Child Care (ages 3-5); After School (ages 5 – 13); Evening Programs for at risk youth (all ages) and senior citizens. We invite you to visit us and learn more about how lives are transformed and changed at Marcy Newberry Association, Inc.

Listed below are our sites where with your help we shape the lives of the children, youth and families we serve. In addition to the list below, we have six family childcare homes in operation.

AUSTIN TOWN HALL

Jannie Jamison, *Site Director*

5610 W. Lake Street

Chicago, IL 60644

773.261.1505

773.261.1602 (fax)

Programs: Head Start, Pre-K, Child Care

FOSCO

Yvonna Robinson, *Site Director*

1342 South Racine Avenue

Chicago, IL 60608

312.746.6024

Programs: Early Head Start, Head Start, Pre-K, Child Care, After School

MARCY CENTER

Janice Riley, *Site Director*

1539 S. Springfield

Chicago, IL 60623

773.762.2300

773.277.0069 (fax)

Programs: Head Start, Pre-K, Child Care, After School, Evening Programs for Youth and Adults (recreational sports)

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NEWBERRY CENTER

Martha Palmer, *Site Director/
Coordinator School age Program*

1073 W. Maxwell Street
Chicago, IL 60608
312.829.7555

312. 829.8940 (fax)

*Programs: After School, Evening
Programs for Youth and Adult
(recreational sports)*

ST. JOHN CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Willie Mae Cole, *Site Director*

5701 West Midway Park
Chicago, IL 60644
773.379.5533

773.379.5561 (fax)

*Programs: Head Start, Pre-K,
Child Care*

PARTNERSHIP:

THE LEARNING TREE

Joanne Williams, *Executive Director*

Nia (1)
8128 South Kedzie
Chicago, IL 60652
773.778.8802

THE LEARNING TREE

Gia (2)
8233 S. Pulaski
Chicago, IL 60652

773.884.3345

Program: Head Start

SENIOR SERVICE SITE:

CONGRESSMAN GEORGE W. COLLINS HOME FOR SENIORS

Javaze Johnson, *Site Director*

1401 South Blue Island Avenue
Chicago, IL 60608
312-243-5991

312-243-9174 (fax)

*Marcy Newberry serves over 280
Senior Citizens through the Intensive
Case Advocacy and Support program
as well as provide organized
structured and supervised activities
in addition to assistance with daily
living needs.*

DYNAMIC DIVA'S AT DEVRY

Diondra Doss and Takisha Marshall are participants of the newly formed Dynamic Divas program and both are enrolled in the DeVry University Advantage Academy. This program is available to qualified Chicago Public School students. Advantage Academy enables students to take college courses — and actually earn an associate degree in Network Systems Administration or Web Graphic Design—all while still in high school. As for these two Divas - both owned the principles from Marcy Newberry's program and utilized the learning to secure jobs; Takisha Marshall at Potbelly Sandwich Shop and Diondra Doss at Macy's. They attribute their success to consistently attending the program and extrapolating the learning from the self-assessment. The group discussed the importance of positive affirmations; identified personal positive qualities thus providing a needed boost to their self-confidence. Although securing a job was not the goal of the assessment, it did prepare them for a job interview. While meeting with the prospective



*Diondra Doss and Takisha Marshall,
participants in the Dynamic Diva's Program*

employer they were able to confidently rattle off some of their best qualities. Needless to say, the employers were amazed. Congratulations Divas!

There are still openings in the Dynamic Diva's program. To enroll in the program contact Debra Kelly at 312-829-7555 ext. 115. Enrollment age range is 17-21. Participants can be high school or college students.



*Marcy Newberry Association Women's Volleyball Team first and fourth place winners.
Women Professional Sports Association Tournament June 6 – August 17, 2011.*

CHURCH RELATIONS: RAISON D'ÊTRE

32 years ago, Benjamin J. Kendrick was selected as Executive Director of Marcy Newberry Association. Two years later, in 1981, he decided to develop a Church Relations Department. The Raison d'être (purpose) was to establish a relationship with the United Methodist Church's in the Northern Illinois Conference.

Our biggest achievement was to secure a van from gathering a million and a half labels.

This would enable the Church to understand the agencies programs and services and determine how it could be supportive. To help in this effort, a Speakers Bureau was formed to train representatives to speak at Church and Conference events to clarify agency activities and distribute agency information.

Today, Church Relations plays a vital role in supporting the agencies programs, specifically through acquiring general operating support, through volunteerism and mission outreach. General operating support is received through two appeals, a summer and a holiday appeal as well as through the efforts of the Metro Women's Auxiliary. The United Voices for Children, a coalition of children and youth agencies is supported through the Fifth Sunday Appeal. Marcy Newberry receives a fifth of those receipts. We receive in-kind donations for a host of opportunities including holiday gifts, food for holiday meals, back to school supplies, winter apparel, library books and so much

more. Each holiday season Marcy Newberry is fortunate to receive new gifts to give to children, youth and senior citizens in need. If you or your business would like to become involved by purchasing gifts for those who may not otherwise receive a gift, many would benefit from your generosity. Volunteers collect Campbell Soup labels to redeem for merchandise. Our biggest achievement was to secure a van from gathering a million and a half labels.



*Rev. Margaret Ann Williams
Associate Executive/
Director Church Relations*

If you are interested in serving or providing support in any of the activities described above or have new ideas to share in helping us move toward our 130th year, please contact us. We invite and welcome your involvement. For Church Relations please call Rev. Margaret Ann Williams at 312-829-7555 ext. 128 or Rev. Gladys King-Lucas at 312-829-7555 ext. 118. Thank you.

MARCY NEWBERRY IS COMMUNITY

*Community Minded is
Marcy Newberry Minded*

For 128 years, Marcy Newberry has been community minded. Now that you have heard from our youth and our families and read about the impact of our programs, we ask that you please support Marcy Newberry today. You may donate on line or through the mail. Please contact Melanie Frazier, Director of Development and Communications at 312-829-7555 ext.132 or mfrazier@marcy-newberry.org. Thank you for your support.



OUR MISSION

To address the needs of the west side communities of Chicago by developing, managing and operating group and individual programs to: Stimulate self-determination, empowerment, self-awareness, community development and revitalization, human dignity and racial pride. Promote positive self-images in children and adults. Provide through the existing resources of the agency and by referral to others, education/training designed to lead to employment and job fulfillment. Promote citizen involvement in the improvement and stabilization of the neighborhood.

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