

## Holiday Goods

Many events during the holiday season bring out the best of the community through donations, bonding, and of course – baked goods! Recently, individuals from various Day Habilitations teamed up to participate in a bake sale to raise \$217.80 for the Gouverneur Recreation Center, which was led by Heather Tuttle, Assistant Director Integrated Services.

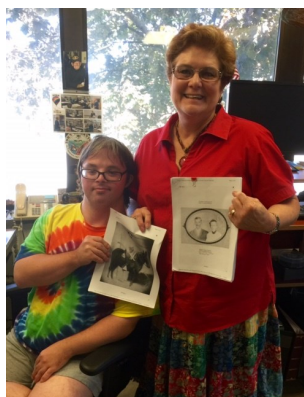
“Typically you have to rent the Recreation Center” stated Tuttle. “Instead of taking money from our program, we decided to host a bake sale. What better way to get our individuals involved in the community and get recognition for the Gouverneur Recreation Center, who has helped us tremendously.”



From planning, to prepping, to baking, to the actual bake sale, people benefit from building a variety of skills. Everyone involved put in hard work and were rewarded!

“When people were baking the goodies they worked on fine motor skills, cognitive skills, team work, and had a nice sense of accomplishment” stated Tuttle.

Due to the popularity of this bake sale, the group did another in the December at two locations – one was held at Kinney’s on Clinton Street in Gouverneur, the other was held at RLL in Canton. Both bake sales were held on Friday, December 15. The proceeds from the bake sales will go to benefit Pound for Paws.



### Help with Genealogy

Steven Sauter and Denice Button celebrate his work with the Canton Village Historian in the photo on the left. Steven helped Denice uncover her paternal line when she was unable to go past two generations.



### Call for News!



The FYI News Crew is looking for news to put in future editions of the FYI—and we need your help!

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## Lemonade for a Cause

Summertime brings many unique activities that usually aren't replicated any other time of the year. One of those activities is the creation of delicious lemonade at a lemonade stand.

Three Individuals at Norwood Day Habilitation including Glenn, Gary, and Chris, have all undertaken a special lemonade stand project called Alex's Lemonade Stand, which is a foundation for childhood cancer research. Jenna Caroccia, of Alex's Lemonade Stand, recently sent Norwood Day Habilitation a letter to show their appreciation.



"We ask people if they want to buy a drink, they give us money, and we help the kids" Stated Glenn.

"Each summer, we usually set up at the Canton Farmer's Market" program director Beth Turner said.

"While others do participate, these three gentlemen are the core of this project, and this is something they really look forward to doing."

Alex's Lemonade Stand has raised more than \$140 million dollars, and has funded more than 690 childhood cancer projects.



### Congrats to Jenny!

Congratulations to Jennifer Yu, St. Lawrence NYSARC's Graphic Designer, for earning her United States Citizenship earlier this year.

After nearly a two-year process, Jenny was able to gain her citizenship and with that, her name changed as well! (In the photo above: Jenny, Max, Katherine, Dennis)



Transitions held their annual Thanksgiving Gala in November. Individuals in the program prepped and made food for approximately 75 guests!

**Happy  
Thanksgiving!**

