ASSUMPTION CENTER NEWSLETTER

Spring 2021



MENTORING

14 children and 22 volunteers took part in our virtual Mentoring Program last spring. Kids spent 1-3 hours a week over Zoom, connecting with college students for one-on-one tutoring and exciting games and presentations. Mentees received brand new art supplies to get more creative at home thanks to funds from the Marshall Memorial Grant through Holy Cross.

What parents and mentors had to say about their experience:

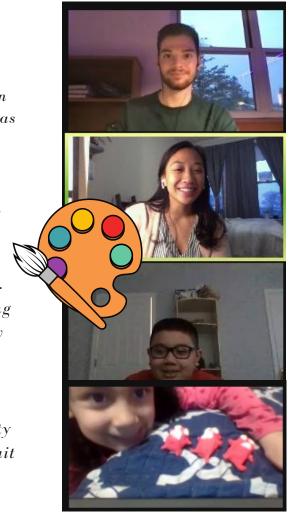
"The program has helped my son in many ways. My son has received support with his studies and the program has helped him in his personal and emotional growth."

"Thank you for providing the opportunity for my daughter to develop in a healthy place full of love and good advice."

"I enjoyed building a relationship with my mentee.

Mentoring in general is about building and fostering relationships, and I really enjoyed getting to know my mentee."

"I loved my time with the Assumption Center as a mentor. Being immersed in the Worcester community has been such a pleasant experience and I can't wait to continue working with them in the future!"







GIRLS WITH D.R.E.A.M.S.

The girls had an eventful spring! We visited Tower Tower Hill Botanic
Gardens, treated ourselves to an at-home Spa Day, learned about financial literacy with the Women's Initiative from United Way, practiced our public speaking with actress Jeanine Bruen, and explored the media world with television news producer Olivia Wilson.

Drive by the Center to see the bright and inspiring new "DREAM" mural we painted!

SUMMER EVENTS

We are so excited to get back to in-person gatherings at St. Peter's with a summer camp in July. We are planning 3 days full of games, crafts, and outdoor summer fun! Find out how to join on the mentoring website.

We are also welcoming local kids to the Center for Friday Field Days! We want to give them a place to be active and enjoy the outdoors with friends every week.





GARDEN

Sr. Catherine has been fitting in time at the Semillas de Vida garden this spring. She is very happy to be back in Worcester and is pleased with the garden and how it was kept up while she was living in Lansdale, PA. She is planning on being in the garden Saturday mornings in July from 10 am-4 pm. She would love to have some company and help! Drop-in anytime between those hours!

KNITTING CIRCLE

The women of the Knitting Circle were overjoyed to be together again at the Center. Srs. Therese and Evelyn were there to greet them when they returned! Over the last year, the knitters had been meeting outside, and in St. Andrew's basement, but there is nothing like the coziness of the Center!



ASSUMPTION CENTER

Conner has once again been busy around the Center doing much-needed repairs to the back stairs and garage. He also patched the crumbling foundation! He has added so much to the Center, we are really going to miss his carpentry skills when he goes!



MYRA & CONNER





Words will never do justice in describing all that Myra and Conner have brought to AMA, Assumption Center programming, and our community life over these past two years. It has been a great joy to watch them bring their individual creativity and talents to GWD, ESOL, Mentoring, the Semillas de Vida garden, the Center and so much more while navigating a pandemic! We are going to miss them so much!

Myra and Conner, as you embark on your new journeys - graduate school, and the seminary, know that our love, prayers, and support go with you, and remember you will always have a home here in the WOO! Thank you from the Assumption Sisters and all your Worcester friends!

