

The Good News Initiative

FALL 2025

CARNIVAL

Prizes and Pure Joy!

It's carnival time at Spectrum for Living! Our clients spent a fun-filled afternoon enjoying games, winning prizes, savoring funnel cakes, and making lasting memories with friends. A heartfelt "thank you" to our Central Recreation Team, Sibling Group, and Closter ICF for planning such a fantastic event. We're also incredibly grateful to the many volunteers whose hard work and enthusiasm made the day truly special!



DONOR APPRECIATION EVENT



Thank You!

On September 24th, Spectrum for Living invited supporters to our Donor Appreciation event at our Closter ICF.

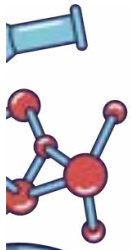
Donors gathered over light refreshments as we gave thanks to our dedicated supporters.

Our fundraising efforts would not be possible without you all. With the support of so many, Spectrum for Living continues to be a success.

Thank you to all our wonderful donors!

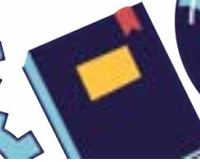
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LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER

Over the summer, our clients took a trip to Liberty Science Center. They explored all the museum has to offer, such as the planetarium and animal exhibits, and had many hands-on learning experiences.





FALL FESTIVITIES



Autumn Leaves & Pumpkins Please!

Our staff and clients picked the best pumpkins in the patch!
Clients enjoyed a hayride while taking in the fall breeze.



21ST ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

*Thank you for
joining the par-tee!*

Spectrum for Living held our 21st Annual Golf Classic on Monday, September 8th, at the Edgewood Country Club.

With the sun shining brightly, our golfers were excited to hit the green. A standout moment of the day came when one of the golfers hit a hole in one!

Thank you to our sponsors, contributors, and players for making the event a success!

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Merry Beachmas!

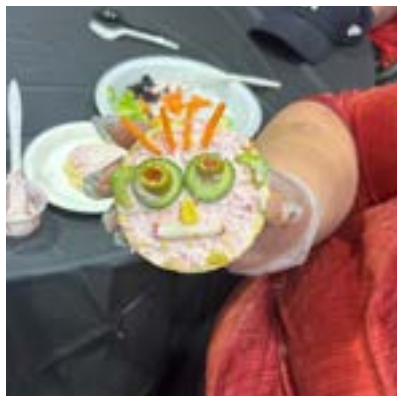
Our clients had a Christmas in July recreation drop-in.
They beat the summer heat with some cool drawings.



HEALTHY COOKING

Stirring up some wellness!

Chef Heidi visited our Teaneck ATC and assisted our clients with preparing a healthy meal. She taught the importance of shopping lists for budgeting and nutritional purposes, menus and recipes for meal planning, and accurate portion sizes. Our clients had a blast creating their own meals.





LUAU PARTY

Feel the island breeze!

Clients celebrated the change of the seasons with a luau, featuring dancing, swimming, and Hawaiian-themed mocktails.





LUNCH CRUISE



This summer, Spectrum for Living clients enjoyed lunch out on the sea with our annual Fishing Trip. The Mijo Charter Boat offered our clients a scenic boat day.

Clients soaked up some sun and felt the summer breeze as they watched all the Jersey Shore beaches pass by.

Our clients also loved dancing to the music while taking in the stunning views.

We appreciate the Mijo Charter Boat's generosity!

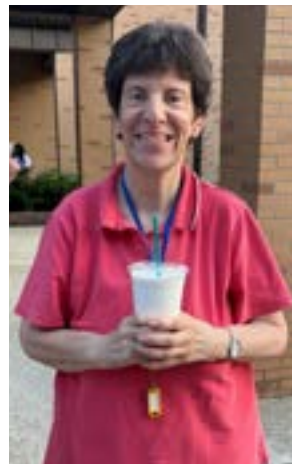
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MOVIE UNDER THE STARS



Our clients savored a perfect night under the stars, indulging in sweet treats from the ice cream truck while enjoying a classic movie.



STAFF NEWS

NEW HIRES (*) AND PROMOTIONS (+)

July 2025 - September 2025

Carver Adult Training Center

Windsor Nethersole *

Closter Apartments

Hope Koesterer *

Mikaele Strauss *

Closter Intermediate

Care Facility

Fabio Wallace *

Francis Mendez *

Peter Ceccon *

Edison Adult Training Center

Franco Cuna *

Olulade Omole *

Dwight Beeston +

Tanselyne Jean +

Edison Condos

Dainty-Ann Anderson *

Pauline Ndungu *

Nadege Sabbat *

Edison Group Home #100

Jay Ham *

Yvette Akuma *

Elmwood Park Group Home

Lydia Adusei *

Glen Rock Group Home

Briana Harris *

Darlene Gee *

Nicole Sorce *

Guttenberg Group Home

Kavita Isaacs +

Hillsdale Group Home

Amisha Dehaan *

Barbara Beaubrun *

North Haledon Adult Training Center

Karla Mora Hoyos *

Paramus Group Home

Andrea Bullock *

Ringwood Adult Training Center

Akira Wade-Dobson *

Ringwood Apartments

Mo'darius Leary *

River Vale Apartments

Angelith Leon *

Bydia Louis *

Shalyn Boyd *

Allister McLean +

Joan Estrella +

J Bleuette Jacob +

Julia Pfleging +

River Vale Corporate Office

Danielle Hall *

Daniel Wright *

Joseph Christie *

Mark Bastidas-Hille *

Anita Novoa-Baggett +

Mordecai Onsongo +

Monica Vasques +

Rajinder Chopra +

Stefanie Bonilla +

Rockleigh Apartments

Margarette Jean Pierre

Malvoisin *

Peter Paul Placido *

Teaneck Adult Training Center

Natalie Gourdine *

Wayne Group Home

Crystal Jones +

Westwood Group Home

Tiffany Lafayette *



ALEX AWARDS

In honor of Spectrum for Living founding parent Alexander Gallione, the Alex Awards highlight Spectrum employees who go above and beyond in service to our mission. From July through September 2025, the following employees received an Alex Award.

Platinum

Tashai Atkins
Leslie Castro
Jude Catral
Sharon Johnson
Sharonda Johnson
Susan Mancuso
Jasmine Marshall
Edward Trinkleback

Gold

Tawana Bailey
Nasjae Brown
Tracy Douglas
Wisline Francois
Susan Kerrigan
Joanna Marcinkiewicz
Vivian Miller
Nickalina Napolitano
Migdalia Rodriguez
Miriam Rodriguez

Silver

Joseph Bischer
Danian Bolton
John Carey
Kemario Christian
Cristel Dixon
Chikamara Emeka-Onyenacho
Luisa Espinal
Fedeline Marcelin
Chidimma Doreen Ogbonna
Mordecai Onsongo
Ronald Prevoit
Walter Sang
Tracey Stradford
Monica Vasques

Bronze

Nicole Bartholomew
Anthony Bobbitt-Howell
Damisha Brown
Destiny Brown
Dijion Brown
Suze Devalis

Rosemary Earl
Sabrina Giedekier-Nauta
Kathryn Haray
Karla Mora Hoyos
Jassica James
Motoaki Kurihara
Opal McCalla

Kiara Owens
Geraldine La Parle
Marissa Piacenza
Edner Smith
Mitchell Thompson
Leonard Van Ess

ALEX AWARD WINNERS



PROFILES IN COMPASSION

Susan Mancuso



Susan Mancuso has been with Spectrum for Living for 39+ years.

Susan has held many different positions with Spectrum for Living, and is currently serving as the VP of Nursing, Clinical and Long Term Care Services.

Susan loves that every day she comes into work the clients are happy to see her because of the difference she has made in their lives. She feels most connected to our clients when they ask to "hang out" with her. One of her favorite parts of her job is going for walks and engaging in conversations with our clients. She enjoys when she can help clients feel better. She knows the importance of helping others and feels rewarded when a client's face brightens after she has helped them.

Working at Spectrum for Living has taught Susan the importance of giving back to others. Susan shared, **"I have learned the best gift you can give, is giving your time to someone else."** Whether that be sharing a meal, listening to music or visiting them when they are in the hospital, she understands the importance of being there for others.

Honored to receive the Platinum Alex Award, Susan shared, **"I am honored that I can make a difference in a resident's life, and in representing Spectrum for Living. Spectrum is my extended family and I am happy to be a part of this family."**

Learn More About Susan:

1. Susan loves to run or go on long walks.
2. Susan enjoys tanning by her pool.
3. Susan loves to spend weekends with her family and friends!

SPECTRUM FOR SERVICE



Crafting Connections

Thank you to our volunteers from Crafting Connections. Their fall crafting kit “Colors of Me” was a great hit with our clients at the Closter ICF. They assisted with making collages, and offered clients a space for creativity and connection!

Knights of Columbus

Thank you to the Knights Of Columbus, Council 2188 for another great canteen event! We appreciate their dedication to Spectrum for Living and ensuring our clients have a blast at each canteen held at their location.



SPECTRUM FISHING PIER



— \$180,000
 — \$165,000
 — \$150,000
 — \$135,000
 — \$120,000
 — \$105,000
 — \$90,000
 — \$75,000
 — \$60,000
 — \$45,000
 — \$30,000

Support the Hudson River Fishermen's Association and partners in creating an ADA-compliant, environmentally responsible fishing pier at the Oradell Reservoir in Closter, NJ. Replacing the old, unsafe wooden pier, this new aluminum pier will offer safe, accessible recreation for all – especially the residents of Spectrum for Living.

Donate
Here!

