

SPTA Newsletter-

Feed My Starving Children Packing Event

After months of dedication and hard work to raise money to help feed 100,000 starving children around the world, the packing event for Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) occurred on November 18th and 19th, 2011.

At the packing event each volunteer was assigned a specific task during his or her two hour shift for packing food. Whether you were scooping rice and soy into the bags, making sure the weight of the bags were correct, or packing up boxes of food, each and



every person involved was able to make a contribution to help feed needy children around the world.

During the two-day event approximately 101,000 meals were packed by volunteers. In addition to feeding starving children around the world, canned donations were also collected at the event to support those in need in the Buffalo area.

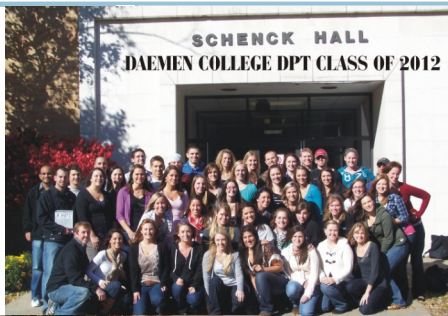
Thank you to all those who helped make this event such a success. Stay tuned for future news involving FMSC!

Physical Therapy Banquet – Congratulations Class of 2012!

On December 3rd, 2011 the annual Physical Therapy Banquet was held at the Creekside Banquet Facility in honor of the DPT class of 2012.

The banquet included inspirational speeches by both faculty and students followed by a recognition ceremony in which each of the members of the graduating class received a candle to symbolize their success. The evening continued with a delicious four course meal and time to socialize and enjoy the company

of faculty, family and friends. Congratulations to the class of 2012 and good luck in all of your future endeavors!



Picture Above:
DPT Class of 2012

Picture to Left:
Students from the class of 2012 with Dr. Mazzone at the Physical Therapy Banquet.

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2011 Polar Plunge

The 2011 Polar Plunge took place at the Hamburg Town Beach in Hamburg, NY on Saturday, December 3rd. Twelve students from the Daemen SPTA attended the event and raised a total of \$877 to help benefit the Special Olympics of Western NY.



2012 Combined Sections Meeting

The 2012 CSM will take place February 8th-11th in Chicago, Illinois. This is a great opportunity that everyone is invited to attend! It's not too late to register. Go to apta.org for more information.



Red Cross Blood Drive

The blood drive sponsored by the Red Cross on November 30, 2011 was a success with 90 presenting and 70 viable donors.

Thank you to all of those who helped organize the event and especially to those who donated!



Upcoming blood drives:

UNYTS: February 8th, 2012

Red Cross: March 21st, 2012

Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Study Break hosted by the SPTA Academic Chairs

The Academic Chairs hosted a study break on December 6th, 2011 to relax with peers before finals week.

The Wii was available and



Just Dance turned out to be a popular game with a group dance at the end.

Thanks to everyone who came to the event!

People Inc./YALT Talent Show and Obstacle Course Events

The Community Chairs partnered up with our friends from People Inc./Young Adult Life Transitions (YALT) Program to put on two exciting events this se-



mester.

On November 28th, teams were formed to race through an obstacle course that included Kan - Jam, hula hoops, basketball, scooter boards, and agility tasks. This event provided a great workout and was a lot of fun for all those involved.

On December 5th, the annual talent show was held. Many participants sang their favorite tune but the winner of the talent show wowed the crowd with a perform-

ance of "Bye Bye Bye" by N'SYNC. This event was fun for everyone and even included a performance of Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer by the PT students at the end.



7th Annual SPTA Gala

Each spring the SPTA sponsors a Gala event to raise money for an organization. Last year the event raised approximately \$4000 for The Miracle League of Western New York.

The upcoming Gala in 2012 will benefit the Muscular Dys-

trophy Association (MDA) Summer Camp in Rochester, NY. The money raised will help pay for scholarships for children who



have MDA that may otherwise not be able to afford this amazing opportunity.

The 2012 Gala will be held at the Banquet Hall at Pearl Street Brewery on April 21st, 2011. Entertainment will be provided by Dr. Styn's band so don't forget to mark your calendars!