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Newsletter





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Meet Medical Director Dr. Paul Frame



Among the array of professionals who give of their time and talent to the Outreach Center, Dr. Paul Frame is one of the most important and faithful.

Dr. Frame comes from East Lansing, Michigan, where he and his wife Gay were high school sweethearts. After his undergraduate years as a chemistry major at Oberlin College in Ohio, he went on to medical School at the University of Pennsylvania. Upon completion, he worked in the Family Medicine program at the Hunterdon Medical Center in Flemington, New Jersey, then chose the National Health Services Corps, which was offered during the Viet Nam conflict. Its purpose was to put medical expertise to good use in rural, underserved communities such as

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Hours and Fees

All services are by appointment only.

Call us for an appointment at: 585-243-3120
Monday through Thursday, 9-Noon
We suggest a \$5 donation for clinic visits.
A \$20 donation is suggested for adult
(18 and older) job or school physicals.

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Our Volunteer Hours

Our volunteers logged the following hours:

January – November 2019 4,540 hours

September 382 hours
October 585 hours
November 473 hours

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Cohocton. This service was under the sponsorship of Tri-County Medicine, with whom he has a 41-year record of employment.

From 1992-2004, Dr. Frame was, also, a member of the Preventative Services Task Force, which was set up to research preventative medicine and outline the results of their work.

Although he is semi-retired, Dr. Frame lends his medical expertise as the Medical Director at the Conesus Lake Nursing Home and finds time to do computer work for Noyes Memorial Hospital.

The Frames resided in Dansville for many years, but now have a newly built home in Geneseo, where both Paul and Gay continue to enjoy equestrian events and activities. They have been members of the Genesee Valley Hunt since the early 90's and consider themselves "horse people." They also revel in their four granddaughters, offspring of their two adult sons.

As a conclusion to this interview, Dr. Frame commented: The Parish Outreach Center is "a GREAT organization!"

Food & Goods Donations Needed Partner with





Personal Care Items not covered by food stamps, such as the following:

- ♦ shampoo
- toilet paper
- ♦ deodorant
- ♦ tooth paste
- laundry detergent
- ♦ dish soap
- hand soap
- feminine hygiene products
- incontinence briefs

Geneseo Parish Outreach Center is an Emergency Foodlink Pantry

The Preliminary Report

We raised - \$91.50 from 2 donors.



DECEMBER 3 ROCtheDay.org

The Geneseo United Methodist Church provides the GPOC with a safe home space for our volunteers and clients.

The church office will be closed: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day

Donations

Thank you to Sarah and the Royal Lady Knights for the \$120 donation to the Parish Outreach Center.



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15 Years of POC...Then and Now An interview with Linda Weaver, Guru of GPOC



The current Parish Outreach Center at Geneseo United Methodist Church grew from months of prayers and dedication by those who recognized a need to provide free or low-cost medical education and services for those unable to manage their medical care. "What is God calling us to do?" they asked. In March of 2004, Linda Weaver, one of the primary shakers and movers of this ministry, and her health professional colleagues began their deliberations, and, amazingly, the Outreach Center opened for business in September.

During those six months, many individuals and institutions worked to acquire the 501(c)(3) status, renovated portions of the church for clinic use, gathered equipment and supplies from a variety of generous donors, and developed relationships that formed a corps of volunteers. The Center opened with no money and only one clinic day for four hours, but these leaders possessed a vision and a reliance on God to lead them in their mission. In the first two years, 125 patients visited the clinic; the caseload over the 15 years has reached over 2,000 grateful clients not only from Livingston County but from outside the county, as well. As Linda Weaver notes, "We never turn anyone away."

Once the word of this much-needed, important ministry circulated, a number of

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Who We Serve:

Those with no insurance.

Those who are under-insured.

Those who cannot pay for medications or specialty care.

What services we provide for our clients

At Geneseo Parish Outreach Center

- Primary adult and pediatric care
- Medication assistance
- Health education
- School and employment physicals
- Insurance navigation
- Spiritual direction (upon request)
- Grief support (upon request)

At our partner/referral organizations or agencies

- Laboratory screening
- X-ray services
- Women's health
- Mental health services
- Dentistry
- Vision and hearing evaluations
- Services provided by Livingston County Department of Social Services
- Services provided by Livingston County Department of Health (ex. immunizations)
- Services provided by Catholic Family Services



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volunteers enthusiastically joined the cause. The POC also enjoyed mentoring and partnerships with a number of other institutions, such as Mercy Outreach, Noyes Hospital and Strong charity Care. The directors have worked with the County Health Department and a number of doctors, dentists, and pharmacists who have been of enormous assistance. While professionals are now available four days a week, the Center is, also, responsible for referrals to others who offer discounted rates for visits and care. One of the major sources of assistance comes in the form of guiding clients through the often-confusing insurance system and assisting them in knowing the benefits to which they are entitled. The well-stocked shelves offer diabetic supplies, inhalers and other expensive items; the medical records are now accessible electronically. Clients are able to access labs and x-rays as well as the personal care of the professionals who staff the clinic. One of the newest clinic additions is the emergency Food Pantry which is connected to Foodlink.

What began with a relatively small group of volunteers and a zero budget is now a major program with over 50 volunteers and a budget of \$125,000. Unlike many other organizations of this sort, the POC is proud that ALL of its volunteers are unpaid. Every penny goes for the supplies, services, and other materials provided for their clients. The POC actively pursues a variety of grants and receives assistance from United Way, other civic and church organizations and multiple donors.

What began as a dream of providing medical services and serving as an advocate for those in need has flourished and continues to grow. According to Linda, whenever a new, specific situation has presented itself, God has answered that call by providing the solution: "God has put the right people in the right place at the right time."

Donate to The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center

The Parish Outreach Center is a 501(c)(3). It is dependent upon the support of the community that surrounds us. Our mission is accomplished through the generous donations of time, money and equipment from our supporters.

Donations, fundraisers, in-kind donations and foundation supporters are welcome.

You may participate in several ways:

- ... donate "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one.
- ... remember GPOC in your will or bequest.
- ... consider matching gifts from employers.

To learn how you or your organization can help us to help others, please call us.

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- All donations are tax deductible
- United Way donations can be made to number 2471
- We use **PAYPAL** to provide a secure transaction. Go to www.gpocenter.org and use the **PAYPAL Donate Button**.



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The Geneseo Parish Outreach Center wishes to thank these Businesses, Service providers, and individuals for their participation in Thursday's 10/24/19

Diabetic clinic:

CCSI-Navigating Insurance Plans
Dansville Dental Professionals

Dr. Andrew Merkel

Food Link

Geneseo Family Eye Care

Geneseo Parish Outreach Center Staff

Kirsten Galliford Pharmacist - Flu shots

Livingston County Mental Health

Members of the Livingston County Diabetes

Coalition

Northeast Kidney Foundation

Noyes Diabetes Program

Noyes Healthy Living Program

Noyes Lifeline Program

Office for the Aging & NY Connects

Ride Livingston

SUNY Geneseo Students:

Noelle LaVine, Jason Nietzschmann,

Brianna Schibley-Laird, Spence Sugden

and Chemi Tsomo

UR Medicine Home Care

Wegmans Catering

Wegmans Pharmacy











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Thank You, Jerry !!

Jerry Weaver was presented with a letter of appreciation for meritorious service from the Geneseo Parish Outreach Center Board of Directors.



GPOC President Diana Harke congratulates Jerry Weaver



Thank you to SUNY Geneseo students Sarah Hashmi and Emma Lenz from the Royal Lady Knights and Natalia Rodriguez and Kelly Abrams from Alpha Omega Pi for bringing groceries and personal care items these groups had collected for GPOC clients.



