PARTNERS WITH INDUSTRY

Growing and Planning for the Future

Walk through Holy Childhood’s Partners With Industry division, and you’ll see workers busy and engaged, working on a wide variety of projects for our corporate partners.

As you may already know, Partners With Industry (PWI) is the fulfillment division located at Holy Childhood’s campus in Henrietta and employs approximately 40 workers. The types of jobs performed in PWI are as infinite as your imagination, these folks do it all!

The newest, most recent jobs that have contracted with PWI are interesting, challenging and different at the same time. As of this past June, work has begun for Xerox assembling Radio Frequency ID Kits. An RFID Kit is a product such as barcoding or key fobs you might use when entering a secure building. Xerox will be using these kits as barcode scanners, part of their project to convert Xerox copiers to a scanable card for activation and use. For example, instead of punching in a passcode on the copier, a card or fob can be used. The components in a particular RFID kit vary depending on its purpose. Some kits may include only a few items, while more complex kits could include as many as 20 separate items. When PWI workers were first introduced to this job, they began assembling one type of kit. The process went so well, workers are now assembling 23 different types of kits.

This November, PWI began a partnership with Wegmans and Proctor and Gamble putting together Family Packs. Here’s how it works: Proctor and Gamble
MESSAGE FROM

PRESIDENT AND CEO

Dear Friends of Holy Childhood:

It has been an exciting year at Holy Childhood—so many new initiatives are underway—all with our mission as the primary focus. We will always ensure that we’ll diligently work to create opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to realize lifelong success.

As you are reading this, we are wrapping up 2016 with a series of Family Forums which will bring together those closest to Holy Childhood services, both from the School Program and Adult Services, to hear about Holy Childhood’s strategic plans for the future. We are celebrating successes in development of various Work-Based Learning opportunities for our students who are moving toward graduation from our School Program, as well as continued expansion of our suite of Employment Services.

As you know, there are significant regulatory shifts in New York State which provide the impetus for some transformative initiatives, beginning with the structure of our well-known entities such as the Special Touch Bakery. While the agenda of New York State may have gotten the ball rolling, we are very excited about the direction in which we are moving, and think you will be too!

Suffice it to say, expansion is in the offing, and we look forward to unveiling the details as we enter 2017. What we can say now, though, is that expansion will mean more community-based opportunities.

To all of our Holy Childhood friends and families, I extend my wishes for a blessed holiday season. And, I close with a note of heartfelt gratitude for your continued involvement and support of Holy Childhood and the people we serve every day.

Warmest regards,

Donna M. Dedee

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A Dream Come True

Dreams really do come true! This past summer, the dream of meeting a WWE Pro Wrestler became a reality for Randy, who works in the Holy Childhood Woodworking Program. Randy has endured many medical challenges, and is a delightful, resilient young man. He is now in remission.

With the help and support of family, friends and providers, Dream Foundation selected Randy to receive his wish of meeting WWE’s John Cena in Pennsylvania and attend a live performance. Randy and his family received back stage passes and spent time with the pro wrestler before the match.

Dream Foundation was founded in 1993, when it was discovered that no dream granting charity existed to honor the dreams of adults. One year later, The Dream Foundation was created.

Dream Foundation serves adults and their families by providing Dreams that offer inspiration and comfort. During the past two decades, Dreams have been granted to more than 25,000 adults. For more information, you may visit them at www.dreamfoundation.org.

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Upcoming Holy Childhood Events

December 8-11, 2016
Our popular Annual Woodworking Sale takes place at Eastview Mall, near Build-A-Bear. We welcome volunteers for this fun pre-holiday event! After spending some time with us, embark on some holiday shopping in the mall, a win-win! Visit our website at www.holychildhood.org, and click on the Woodworking Sale banner; we’d love to have you join us.

January 6, 2017
Our annual Candy Sale kicks off! Delicious Gertrude Hawk candy bars and Easter treats will be sold to benefit the School and Adult programs here at Holy Childhood.

March 3, 2017
You’ll definitely want to attend the 4th Annual Wine at Center Ice event at Bill Gray’s Regional Iceplex! Enjoy tastings from a variety of craft beer, fine wine vendors, along with hearty appetizers, live music, games on the ice and so much more. This popular and unique event is not to be missed — just ask the more than 300 people who attended last year’s event!

June 2, 2017
Join us at Holy Childhood for the School’s Out for Summer 5K and Fun Walk on Friday, June 2nd. It’s fun for the whole family with post-race awards, food and live music. Meet us at the Holy Childhood outdoor shelter for one of Rochester’s few evening races.

June 19, 2017
It’s a tradition here at Holy Childhood that’s been taking place for more than two decades! Start practicing your swing for the 26th Annual Golf Tournament to benefit Holy Childhood at Midvale Country Club in Penfield.

July 10, 2017
Attention Lady Golfers! Be a part of the 32nd Annual Ladies Golf Tournament at Penfield Country Club. Start your day with breakfast and enjoy a morning of golf and finish off the day with a delightful luncheon and awards.

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Crest Toothpaste arrives at the Wegmans facilities where our PWI supervisors pick them up and bring them to the Holy Childhood campus. PWI workers shrink wrap them into Family Packs of four. Workers then affix barcode labels and Wegmans Family Pack stickers. The product is then returned to Wegmans for retail sale to their customers. The first order to PWI included 57,600 tubes of toothpaste, that’s 14,400 Family Packs!

Our longtime partners keep the workers busy on a regular basis as well. Time Warner Cable is one of our Community Pre-Voc partners along with Paychex, Complemar and TLF Graphics. Community Pre-Voc means the adults working on those particular jobs can also perform their work out in the community, at their places of business, as well as here at the Holy Childhood campus. As previously mentioned, the work is varied and interesting. For instance, five days a week, a group of PWI workers go to Time Warner Cable to put together approximately 300 kits for TWC technicians from around Rochester, Buffalo and Batavia. The technicians use the kits for new customer installs and repairs. Back at PWI, workers sort, clean, test, program and bag remotes with fresh batteries that are sent back to Time Warner for their customers. Power cords are inspected, refurbished, banded together and shipped back as well.

Paychex, a PWI partner for nearly three decades, sends tubes of toothpaste, that’s 14,400 Family Packs! Our longest corporate partners, coupled with new business coming in, are designed to help PWI continue to grow over time, says Strategic Business Development Director, Joe Perdicho. For example, the Wegmans/Proctor and Gamble project will expand to include additional Family Pack products other than toothpaste. These types of work experiences present opportunities for long-sustaining growth for Holy Childhood PWI workers.”

“Our team continues to explore new work opportunities and experiences and most importantly, ways to integrate PWI workers into the Rochester community, says Director of Programs and Services, Amy Popeck. No matter how large or small, complex or simple the job may be, Partners with Industry workers handle the load with precision and expertise, they have tremendous pride in their work.”

If you think you or someone you know may have work for Holy Childhood’s Partners with Industry division, please contact Joe Perdicho at 585-359-3710, ext. 295 or email jperdicho@holychildhood.org.
HOLY CHILDHOOD GALA
Celebrating 70 years of inspiring lifelong success

Thank YOU!

Cloverwood Senior Living for choosing Holy Childhood as their charity for this year’s Antiques Appraisal Day, an annual event held at Cloverwood Senior Living in Pittsford. Open to the public, area residents brought in their family treasures to be appraised by one of five expert appraisers, some of whom appear on the popular PBS TV show, Antiques Roadshow. Cloverwood’s generous donation to Holy Childhood will support the programs and services we provide to the people we serve.

Thank you to our friends at Alsco for their generous donation and for spending time with us. We truly appreciate your support!

Thank you to the enthusiastic volunteers from Brockport College who spread the mulch on our playgrounds!

We thank the Webster Lyons Club for their continuing support of many years!

Thank you to Ryan Martynowicz for donating swim goggles and caps to our Swim Program, every year for the past three years!

Thank you to our friends at Morgan Communities and Geoffrey Rosenberger for their generous donation to Holy Childhood for our 70th anniversary gala.

Thank you to our friends at Mr. & Mrs. Tom and Barbara Clark for their generous donation.

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Can You Lend a Hand at Holy Childhood’s Annual Woodworking Sale?

It’s a tradition here at Holy Childhood, each year we hold our multiple-day Woodworking Sale at Eastview Mall in December (near Build-A-Bear) to showcase the beautifully handcrafted products made in the Holy Childhood Woodworking Program. Volunteer help is strongly needed to help us staff the booth during mall hours and also for the set up and tear down portions of this popular event. Volunteers will work alongside Holy Childhood staff and fellow volunteers to help fill out invoices, accept payments, and assist customers. Details and dates of the event are as follows:

- **SET UP ONLY**: Wednesday, December 7th at 9:30 p.m.
- Thursday December 8th — shifts available from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Friday December 9th — shifts available from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday December 10th — shifts available from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Sunday December 11th — shifts available from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **CLEAN UP ONLY**: Sunday, December 11th at 7:00 p.m.

To volunteer, visit our website at [www.holychildhood.org](http://www.holychildhood.org), or call Samantha Looker at 585-359-3710, ext. 169 or email: slooker@holychildhood.org.

All volunteers will receive a phone call or email confirmation prior to their scheduled shift. Please arrive 15 minutes before your shift and check in with the Holy Childhood staff person on duty.