

## Sign Marks Site of ADC's Future Home

As you drive down Main Street in Bridgewater, keep your eye open for our new sign located at the intersection of Foothill Road. The sign marks the spot where our new building will eventually stand and reads: "Future Home of the Adult Day Center of Somerset County; A Private, Non-Profit Agency."

The erection of this sign marks the progress of the Adult Day Center's "Growing a Community of Care and Acceptance" capital campaign. The ADC's Board and Campaign Steering Committee have selected an architect and are in the process of negotiating a contract.

The sign has generated new enthusiasm and awareness of our project, our mission, and our program. The ADC has had an increase of visitors and phone inquiries since the sign went up. We have also experienced an increase



*ADC Director and Board Members are excited about ADC's new sign. Pictured left to right: ADC Executive Director Jeff Macaulay and Board Members, Christine Flanagan, Chris Rose, Roseann Brown, and Ken Scherer.*

in people interested in utilizing our services.

Our waiting list has grown exponentially, demonstrating our need for a larger facility.

Several recent studies, including a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation study, indicate that our region is severely lacking in adult day care resources. Demographic trends suggest that by 2010, the need will be substantially greater. The ADC is acutely aware of the need, especially in light of our waiting list reaching a six-month wait. The sad, but true, fact is that the chronically ill elderly do not have time to wait.

The ADC's leadership is committed to our capital campaign that will make our dreams of a new Center a reality. The new facility will increase our capacity to serve by nearly 50% allowing us to provide affordable, high-quality care to more families in need.

## Summer Spawns a Wealth of Pleasures

Summer was an exciting time for members of the Adult Day Center of Somerset County. It was filled with weekly themes interspersed with special events like the Friends and Family Talent Show, a visit by the Physics Factory tour bus, and ADC staff softball games.

The season started off with the annual ADC Senior Prom, which this year featured Vince Morano and Betty Benze as king and queen. The day's festivities were built around this year's Prom theme, "Young at Heart." The celebration included an open convertible ride around town for Betty and Vince in their regal paraphernalia. The imperial pair's ride was captured on the front page of the *Courier News*.



Dancing, comedy, singing acts---they all contributed to a

playful afternoon on June 28. Friends and family of center staffers put on a talent show that would have made Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland ("Let's put on a show") proud. Each performance was judged by a panel of members who provided commentary.

During Beach Week, one of many theme-inspired weeks of the summer, all of the center's programs were based on a beach theme. Members got in the seashore spirit by wearing beach-

appropriate attire, building sandcastles, making fudge, and playing seated volleyball.

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# Golf & Culinary Event: Delicious Fun!

The ADC's Second Annual Golf & Culinary event was delicious fun for all involved. Golfers were treated to beautiful, warm weather and sunny skies, as well as gourmet food and spirits.

The annual Golf & Culinary event draws a crowd of avid golfers who enjoy playing for a worthwhile cause. The event raised over \$20,000 for the ADC. All proceeds will support the ADC's operating costs.

Lunch was offered overlooking the scenic grounds of the Neshanic Valley Golf course. After lunch and a shotgun start, golfers began a round of golf that featured a variety of gourmet delights



prepared fresh at many of the holes. Participants were treated to grilled tuna lollipops, shrimp-on-the-barbie, pina colodas, champagne with fresh strawberries, and much more.

The hole-in-one prize was a \$10,000 gift certificate for Flemington Furs.

A sumptuous cocktail reception followed the day's events and was served to a boisterous crowd. Raffle and door prizes were distributed to excited winners.

The Board and Staff of the ADC would like to thank our participants, sponsors, and volunteers for ensuring the success of our event.

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## Winetasting Success

"Getting Better with Age 2006" was the ADC's most successful Winetasting event. Over 250 people gathered at the Redwood Inn in Bridgewater, November 10, to sample diverse wines and delicious food, and of course, support the ADC. The event raised over \$21,000 which will support the operational costs of the Center.

In addition to wine and food tasting, guests were treated to live music, a raffle, a silent auction, and a live auction. Auction items included Yankees tickets, Giants tickets, Broadway show tickets, beautiful jewelry, crystal, dining packages, and much more. The ADC's Mega 50-50 Raffle

drawing winners were also announced at the event.

There was something for everyone, and everyone had a wonderful time chatting, eating, bidding, and of course, tasting - truly an evening and event to remember!

The Board and Staff of the Adult Day Center are grateful to all of the many companies and individuals who donated wonderful items to our auction or placed an ad in our journal. The night was a huge success because of these generous contributions.

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## A New Logo for ADC



You'll notice that a new logo appears in the masthead of this issue of ADC Update. It is based on an American Indian Rosetta design, invoking a rising sun, warmth, and nurturing.

The tagline, "Sharing Your Care," has a spectrum of meanings. "Your" refers to both the caregiver and the member. "Care" expresses concern and love, as well as physical care.

Artist Susan Ridley Cavaciuti provided the design with guidance from the ADC Board and staff. We believe it expresses the unique relationship the Adult Day Center has with its members and their families.

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## Doodle for Alzheimer's Update

The March 2007 event has been re-scheduled for March 2008. Doodles are arriving regularly and the 2008 event is shaping up to be an unforgettable evening! Stay tuned for more information.

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## Linda Pardini Retires

The ADC staff and members said farewell to Linda Pardini after seven-and-a-half years on staff. She retired from her position of ADC's Part-Time Nurse as of February 1, 2006. Linda and her husband, Al, have sold their Flemington home and have re-located to their home in the Pocono Mountains with plans to eventually move to South Carolina.

The ADC staff, members, and friends will miss Linda's professionalism and her sense of humor.

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# Wealth of Pleasures

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Later in the season, the Physics Factory's vegetable-oil-powered tour bus arrived and charmed members and staff with an impromptu performance of their science show designed to spark enthusiasm for physics among students. The crowd was wowed by smoke clouds, fire tubes, and other visual treats. The



show culminated with a demonstration of a single-passenger hovercraft that sailed along the center's hallway above a thin pocket of air. A few members were brave enough to actually ride the space-age-looking craft.

As summer was coming to an end, ADC staff members were challenged to a softball match by the

Somerset County Transportation staff. The ADC Twisters put up a good fight, but in the end, were defeated by the county transportation crew with a final score of 10-6.

The Somerset County United Way was the next opponent of the ADC Twisters. With much improvement, the ADC Twisters were defeated by the United Way. The match was followed by a barbecue attended by both teams and their fans. Better luck next year!



## MEET OUR STAFF



### Bella Tatevosova

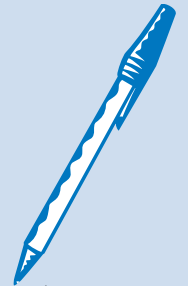
If you wander around the Adult Day Center any weekday, at some point a small, dark-haired woman in a white apron is likely to pass by you at a high speed. The fast-walking woman is ADC's Healthcare Assistant of nearly nine years, Bella Tatevosova.

Bella is known for her boundless energy. Although her title is "Healthcare Assistant," she does much more than her title suggests. Bella can be found preparing food, cleaning, organizing, providing a manicure or a shave amongst other tasks, all of which are done with impressive speed and efficiency. It is rare to see her sitting in a chair.

Much of Bella's free time is spent with her family. She loves to travel and speaks three languages. Bella was born in Azerbaijan and moved to Moscow before moving to the United States. Bella's most recent travels included a trip to Germany with her family.



A  
MESSAGE  
FROM  
Jeff



### Daring to be Different

In 1976, the Adult Day Center of Somerset County was one of only a handful of similar programs in the country. Today, adult day care services are a rapidly growing industry with many counties in New Jersey establishing multiple centers.

What makes us different?

- **Affordability** - ADC is proud to offer its services for less than the state average and has never denied service due to the inability to pay.
- **Acceptance** - ADC has never refused to provide service for anyone despite the extent of their disability.
- **Commitment** - ADC has never terminated its services to a participant despite the advancement of their illness or disability.
- **Dedication** - ADC staff represents over 200 years experience in providing adult day care services.

After thirty years of providing care to our community, we believe that our success is due to our adherence to these principles and the support that we receive from you and the extended ADC family.

## Save the Dates!

September 17

### 3rd Annual Golf & Culinary Event *Golf Fundraiser*



November (date tba)

### "Getting Better with Age 2007" *Wine Tasting Event*



**Mission:** The Adult Day Center of Somerset County is a nonprofit agency committed to providing high quality, affordable medical and social day care services for disabled and elderly residents of Somerset County and support for caregiving families. In this compassionate community of acceptance, the frail elderly can continue living with their families, maintaining their dignity and independence, and forestalling, or even eliminating, the need for institutional care.

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