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# WHAT'S NEW AT OAK-LEYDEN

**FAMILY NEWSLETTER**



**JULY 26, 2019**

Dear Friends,

I hope everyone has been safe and cool during the heat waves we experienced! Our participants have been enjoying the summer so far and I'm excited by all the activities in which they've been engaged.

**News & Activities.** A new season of Music Together® begins with a free demonstration August 26th at 9:30am with the 10-week season starting officially Sept 9th at 9:30am. In celebration of Independence Day, adults at our Lifelong Learning Centers hosted summer activities and meals. Participants also took part in the Special Olympics (story on right) and in choir opportunities (see bottom). New spaces to provide more comfortable environments for older adults in our Lifelong Learning Centers officially open next month through support from the Kott Memorial Charitable Fund.

**Parent/Guardian Meeting.** Our next parent/guardian meeting is scheduled for 5:45pm on August 6th at 320 Chicago Ave. Topics include legislative updates, the RevUp campaign to encourage voter registration among people with disabilities, information on board meetings, and more. All parents and guardians of Oak-Leyden participants are welcome to attend.

**Supporting Oak-Leyden.** This past month, family members Anastasie M. Sénat and David & Darlene Wyosnick all made contributions. Learn more about giving opportunities for parents and guardians at [www.oak-leyden.org/guardians](http://www.oak-leyden.org/guardians).

Please feel free to share your ideas, stories, or concerns with our team at (708) 524-1050 ext. 136. Together, we'll continue to transform lives and make Oak-Leyden even stronger!

Warmest wishes,

Bertha G. Magaña, Chief Executive Officer

## CONGRATULATIONS TO SPECIAL OLYMPICS ATHLETES IN OUR PROGRAMS!



Our incredible Oak-Leyden participants David, Drenna, Lisa, Raphael, Rashanda, and Terrell participated in the 2019 Special Olympics Illinois summer games!

Drenna and Terrell won silver in the 100M walk, while David won silver in bocce singles and Rashanda placed fourth in both bocce singles and golf! In bowling, David and Lisa won gold in singles, while Raphael won bronze and Drenna, Rashanda, and Terrell's team made gold! Congratulations to all of our amazing athletes!



**Voices of Oak-Leyden**, our choir of adult participants, performed at Festival Day at **Opportunity Knocks**, a sister agency that serves young people who have developmental disabilities in the Oak Park, Forest Park, and River Forest area. The event featured a talent show as well as a special dinner. We're grateful to have been a part of Opportunity Knocks' festivities!