



Family Service Society of Yonkers Kinship Support Program

July 2022 Newsletter

GRANDPOWER MEETING

(In person & Zoom)
Monday, July 11
11:00 am – 12:30 pm
FSSY
30 S Broadway, 5th Floor
Zoom ID: 806-846-2547

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Summer Events
Tuesday, July 12
10:00 am – 11:00 pm
Zoom ID: 806-846-2547

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Friday, July 15
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Riverfront Library, Room 2B
1 Larkin Plaza, Yonkers



YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP

Communication Skills & Relationship
(In person & Zoom)
Friday, July 15
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Riverfront Library, Room 2B
1 Larkin Plaza, Yonkers
Zoom ID: 806-846-2547

PASTA TRAINING

Rebuilding a Family
(In person & Zoom)
Friday, July 22
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
30 S Broadway, 5th Floor
Zoom ID: 806-846-2547

SAVE THE DATE
Family Field Day
August 25
11:00 am – 2:00 pm

In the Spotlight



Carolyn Fluckinger

Carolyn Fluckinger has been the FSSY Kinship Support Program Director for 20 years. Before coming to FSSY, she was the Founding Director of the Grandparent Resource Center of the NYC Department for the Aging (DFTA). Much of Carolyn's career has centered on older adults; she was drawn to the field because of the many awesome great aunts and uncles she had contact with as a child. In the mid-90s she learned about kinship families at DFTA, when older volunteers could not continue to serve due their child rearing responsibilities. Carolyn has been a dedicated advocate for grandparents and other kinship caregivers.

Contact Kayla to nominate someone for the Spotlight

MHACY HOUSING PRESENTATION

Learn about available housing for Westchester kinship families through The Municipal Housing Authority for the City of Yonkers (MHACY)

Speaker: Marcie Ciuffetelli, MHACY Leased Housing Director

Wednesday, July 13, 11 am

FSSY, 30 S Broadway, 5th Floor, Yonkers
And on Zoom, Meeting ID: 806 846 2547

NYS KINSHIP NAVIGATOR VIRTUAL LUNCH & LEARN

Kinship Families and the NYS Office of Mental Health, July 21, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Contact Carolyn to RSVP

UPTOWN SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK PRESENTS: TWELFTH NIGHT
Classical Theatre of Harlem



Family Outing

**Richard Roger Amphitheater
Marcus Garvey Park
124th St and 5th Avenue, NYC**

Thursday, July 21, 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm

Bus Departs at 7:30 pm SHARP

Snacks provided

30 S Broadway, Yonkers

END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR CELEBRATION
Honoring 2022 Graduates and Students Moving Up!

Thursday, July 28, 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

**Yonkers Riverfront Library, Community Room
1 Larkin Plaza, Yonkers**



Refreshments served

RSVP to Kayla by July 21 to attend and share your child's accomplishment.

RESOURCES

WESTCHESTER COUNTY POOLS FREE FOR WESTCHESTER COUNTY RESIDENTS
Fees waived weekdays at Saxon Woods, Sprain Ridge, the Brook at Tibbetts Pools, and Glen Island Beach, July 5 - August 31. Visit parks.westchestergov.com/pools-and-beaches or call 914-864-PARK for location-specific dates and times.

SUMMER STEM & CODING CAMPS FOR KIDS AGES 8-18 AT YONKERS RIVERFRONT AND WILL LIBRARIES. Riverfront Camp, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm; Will Camp, 2:30-4:00pm. Learn to code, create basic animation and build a 3D model. New camp topic each week. July 11 through August. Register at <https://ypl.evanced.info/signup>.

FREE LYFT RIDES FOR WESTCHESTER AND PUTNAM COUNTY RESIDENTS
Rides for non-emergency medical appointments, job interviews, work training, court appearances, and other health and human service-related meetings. Up to 3 persons per ride; at least one rider over 18 years old. Rides need to be requested at least 24 hours in advance. Contact Kayla to complete a referral form for each ride. Sponsored by United Way of Westchester and Putnam.

COVID-19 TESTS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR HAVE LOW VISION Order 2 free rapid-antigen home tests online, while U.S. Government supplies last, <https://special.usps.com/testkits/accessible>, or call 800-232-0233. Free shipping.

SUMMER READING BUDDIES PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Help pre-K to 5th grade students build literacy skills, Tuesdays and Wednesdays
July 5 - August 10, Yonkers Riverfront Library, 1 Larkin Plaza**

2 sessions daily: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm. Light lunch served

Contact Claudia, 914-963-5518, ext. 536 or Elida, 914-258-2423, to register

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