

The Family YMCA at Tarrytown has been serving the community for 104 years. Today, we serve more than 4,200 people of all ages, races, religions, and abilities.

Strong Kids

The Family YMCA at Tarrytown works every day to educate, inspire and entertain children from pre-school through high school in our schools and in our own facility. From “Mad Science” to “Paint Your Own Pottery,” from knitting to basketball, from jazz dance to music tech, we’ve got the programming to keep your children involved and engaged. We also run exciting day and summer camp programs, a Leaders Club for middle school boys, as well as after school enrichment classes and after school care.

Healthy Living: The Y is committed to healthy living for families as reflected in our annual *Healthy Kids Day* and our *5K Fun Run* and *1 Mile Family Walk*. We “walk the walk” and run the race right beside you and your children. For the past two years, the EPTA of the Tarrytowns has funded elementary students’ participation in the *Fun Run*, enabling all district students to register for the race at no cost. Further for middle and high school students we work closely with Sandy Arroyo to offer nutrition and fitness programming at SHMS/HS and in our facility on Main Street.

WI Theater Program: The Y helps children soar dramatically. In 2004, working with Ellie Becker, then President of the Foundation, we initiated a theater program at Washington Irving School, the first of its kind in the area. With director Peter Royston’s creativity and vision and Principal Zbynek Gold’s guidance and support, the program has expanded from an original cast of 30 fifth and sixth grade students in Shakespeare’s *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*, to a crew of 120 students. According to *The Journal News* they brought the town of Ephesus alive in a rousing production of Shakespeare’s *The Comedy of Errors*.

Another dramatic highlight was the production of Gilbert & Sullivan’s *Pirates of Penzance*. SHHS students joined in as mentors, assistant directors and musical advisors. WI Assistant Principal Rachel Gonzalez reigned over the production in her cameo as Queen Victoria. In addition our cast had the good fortune to attend the final dress rehearsal of The New York City Opera production of *Pirates of Penzance*. Special thanks go to parent David Titcomb, who provided tickets and to the TUFSD, which provided buses.

We have been able to offer this dynamic and exciting program free of charge to all students in the school thanks to funding from the Foundation for the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns, Westchester Community Foundation and New York Life Foundation.

We Move People

This spring we welcomed Jane Alexandre and Julie Johnson as co-directors of our all new “Y Dance”. They have developed a wider range of classes in jazz, modern, ballet, hip hop, tap and world rhythms for children, teens and adults. To accommodate all the new programs we are building a second dance studio. We owe special thanks to Sharon Kirschner who has lent her expertise in graphic design for all of our marketing materials.

Accessible to Everybody: In order to ensure that the Y is accessible to everybody *regardless of ability to pay*, we raise approximately \$125,000 from generous members of the community. The funds provide scholarship assistance to over 300 children, families and seniors who might otherwise not learn to swim, build healthy bodies through fitness and nutrition programs, find a childcare program or “greet the sun” in our popular yoga classes.

Julian Holden Geach Scholarship Fund was inaugurated last summer. Julian was one of our much loved Y summer campers who died as a result of an accident last year. The scholarship is

to provide summer camp for students in need of a safe place while the schools are closed. With Michelle Milliam, principal at Tappan Hill, we selected two students to attend the YMCA camp in Putnam Valley for the entire summer.

We Are Committed to the Community

Our reach extends well beyond our facility on Main Street; in fact, we presently work with over 70 different community based organizations. We are a major sponsor of Tarrytown's 3rd Fridays, opening our doors to the community for a wide range of recreational activities. We have many programs for seniors offered at the Y, at Kendal, at Neighborhood House and senior centers in several communities.

Thank You ...

Above all, we thank you for the honor you bestow upon us this evening at the annual Foundation Dinner Dance. We look with optimism toward our second century of service. Helping to meet the needs of the community through programs that foster the values of caring, respect and responsibility is our mission. For more information come meet our staff, take a tour, or browse our website at www.ymcatarrytown.org

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