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August 2024

From the Executive Director

I hope this newsletter finds you very well. As I approach my one-year anniversary with LGS, I've carefully reflected on how much I've learned from the amazing LGS community. My experience has afforded me the chance to view our community with a completely different lens. Being exposed to both the challenges we face and the exciting new projects on the horizon has transformed my way of envisioning the future of Syracuse. It has set me on a new trajectory for contributing towards making our community thrive. THAT is the LGS experience in a nutshell. I feel honored to be among such esteemed colleagues within the LGS family.



Michele Diecuch
Executive Director

I'm energized and thrilled to be soon entering into my second year with LGS. While I've met hundreds of new faces over the past year, I look forward to meeting many more of you and deepening my connections with you and your organizations.

What's next? The LGS board and staff are committed to ensuring that our programming remains relevant, cutting edge, and impactful for all who partake in the LGS experience. I want to hear from YOU. As LGS continues to set our strategic directions for the future, priority one will be listening to all of you. Look for news in the coming months about new initiatives and ideas.

LGS is here for one reason—to serve YOU and fellow community members. **Thank you for all that you do!**

Last Chance—Apply for 2025!

Simply stated - LGS graduates make CNY better. Our long-established flagship program educates and inspires Central New Yorkers to make a difference here in our community.



Participants gain skills and knowledge that they can apply anywhere—at work, at home, and throughout the community. Join LGS's unique and inspiring program. Learn about the achievements and changes happening in Syracuse – all while building leadership skills.

[Apply now!](#)

Follow LGS

Are you following LGS on social media? If not, follow us to stay up to date on the latest news.



<https://www.facebook.com/leadershipgreatersyracuse>



[www.linkedin.com/@leadership greater-syracuse](http://www.linkedin.com/@leadershipgreater-syracuse)



<https://www.instagram.com/leadsyr/>

Learn About Syracuse STEAM School

Join us!

We invite you to a special **fireside chat** where you can learn everything you need to know about the new STEAM High School.

Monday, October 7, 5:30-7 p.m.

One Group, 706 N. Clinton St., Syracuse

Community leaders, Mayor Ben Walsh; County Executive, Ryan McMahon; and SCSD Superintendent, Anthony Davis will provide information about the STEAM School and answer all of your questions.

[Click here to register](#)



CNYCF Documentary Premier: Voices Rising

Premier Event:

Friday, September 6, 6 – 9 p.m.

Everson Museum of Art Plaza
401 Harrison Street, Syracuse

Join the **Central New York Community Foundation** for the documentary premiere of "Voices Rising: Syracuse's Fight Against Lead Poisoning." The premiere will be shown outside and under the stars by at the Everson Museum of Art Plaza.

Go to [CNYCF's website](#) for more info and to register.



Leadership Greater Syracuse 2nd Annual Trivia Night



**Tuesday, November 19th
5:30-8**

**Registration opens in
September**



Join us for the 2nd year of our entertaining, highly-successful **Trivia Night** to benefit LGS.

Gather former classmates, friends, and family for a fun night of trivia, food, raffles, and prizes.

Don't like to play trivia? No problem! Single tickets available for those who want to socialize, have dinner, and be part of the fun.

**Stay tuned for
registration opening
in September!**



It's All About Community

LGS aims to help community organizations build capacity. The following organizations are looking for talented, dedicated board members or volunteers.



Syracuse Poster Project brings together poets and artists to create an annual series of illustrated poetry posters for the poster panels of downtown Syracuse. They enliven downtown, strengthen the city's sense of place, and reach a broad audience by selling poster-based products.

They are seeking prospects who share their belief in civic art, poetry, and community.
<https://www.posterproject.org/>
Contact Jim Edmonds:
Jim@posterproject.org



Therapeutic Horsemanship, Inc.

From The Ground Up Therapeutic Horsemanship, Inc. is a non-profit corporation serving the CNY area. They offer a variety of Equine Assisted Services to persons of all abilities and life challenges.

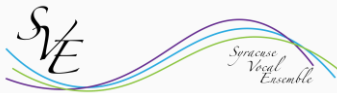
They are looking for board members to help the program grow, especially those well versed in fundraising, grant writing and leadership development.
www.ftguhorses.org
Contact board president, Nadine Essel, ftguvolunteers@gmail.com.



OCRRA is a non-profit, public benefit corporation created by the NYS legislature to oversee solid waste management and the resource recovery system for Onondaga County.

OCRRA also oversees partnerships for recycling services and outreach, Waste-to-Energy operations, and the management of household hazardous waste.

<https://ocrra.org/about-ocrra/>
Learn more from Corey Driscoll Dunham, cdunham@syr.gov.



Syracuse Vocal Ensemble is an elite, selective chamber choral ensemble. They nurture an appreciation for the art of chamber choral singing by consistently performing innovative and outstanding choral programs.

SVE board members will take on the responsibility for one of the following: personnel management, event management, audience development or other.

<https://syracusevocalensemble.org/>

Interested applicants, send a letter of interest and a resume to syracusevocalensemble@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed!



MEALS on WHEELS
SYRACUSE

community who are unable to do so for themselves. They are experiencing a significant need for volunteer drivers to deliver meals, as well as volunteer kitchen support.

Meal Delivery Drivers

11 am – 1 pm
Monday – Friday

Kitchen Support

8 am – 11 am
Monday – Friday

For more information

Contact Mary Beth Anderson - community@meals.org or 315-478-5948, ext. 205.

www.meals.org/volunteer

