

# PROTESTANT FAMILY SERVICE

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**VISION STATEMENT:** Protestant Family Service seeks to provide, in a Christian manner, the necessary care and need to the individual that will give hope for a better life.

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## IMPORTANT MESSAGE !

**PLEASE READ:** As a nonprofit agency we strive to find ways to keep costs down. We would like to begin "emailing" our newsletter to as many people as possible. **Please send your email address to Jackie if you are on board** with this at pfsjlb@gmail.com (Her middle initial is lower case L). If we do not hear from you we will continue sending regular mail.

### DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

*"This is my commandment that we love one another as I have loved you" John 15:12*

As we enter into a new year there is still much to do for the Kingdom of God. We must continue to love one another and bring forth fruit through serving others. This year PFS is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Praise the Lord!! We are His chosen vessels. We invite you to join us in the events to be held throughout this year. Many come to us for utilities, food and other emergency needs. We are no longer able to meet requests for rent due to our shoestring budget. Keep in mind we do NOT receive any United Way or government funding. We are busy applying for grants to help us in that and other areas. We continue to work with other agencies to provide the necessary means. PFS is grateful for your continued partnership. Blessings to you.

*In His Service, Jackie*

### BOARD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Grace and peace to all! It is a great pleasure to write this message. Having completed another year as president of the PFS Board, I can say it has been an enriching and rewarding year. Together we have been allowed to fulfill our mission of serving the needs of many in our community. The New Year promises many challenges, changes, joys and successes! Our intention with your help is to make 2019 the greatest for Protestant Family Service as we celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. As we forge ahead into the year, I encourage all of us to remember the mission of PFS and remember we serve God when we serve the least among us. Continued Blessings of the Lord be Upon You.

*Pastor Maralana Martin*



*All proceeds used to  
meet client needs!*

*"Fundraising is the gentle art of teaching the joy of giving"*  
Henry Rosso

### **MARCH 9, 2019 SCRABBLE**

**Check-in 11:30AM (donation \$20)**  
**Rules/Games begin promptly at Noon**

**New Beginnings Outreach Ministries**  
2007 S. Schenley Ave., Youngstown 44511

### **APRIL 6, 2019 Saturday 11AM – 1PM**

#### **Protestant Family Service 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary "Brunch of Blessings"**

*Speaker: Judge Carla Baldwin*

*Music by: Rachell Joy*

*Catered by: Chef Christopher Bonacci*

*Location: SOAP Gallery*

117 S. Champion Street, Youngstown OH 44503

**TICKETS \$20** (HURRY limit 80 reservations)  
Contact PFS or any Board Member for tickets.

**APRIL 28, 2019 4:00 PM "TBA"**  
**"Make A Joyful Noise" Concert**  
Refreshments 3:00PM -3:45PM

**MAY 6, 2019 48<sup>TH</sup> Annual Meeting**  
**5:30 P.M. Fellowship/6:00 P.M. Dinner**  
Reservations by April 29 -- (\$25 per person)  
**NOTE: PROGRAM BOOK "AD" DEADLINE April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**JUNE 1, 2019 Golf Tournament**  
**Mahoning County Country Club**

**JULY 20, 2019**  
**Applebee's 8:00AM-10:00AM**  
**"Short-Stack" for a TALL Cause**

**OCT. 13, 2019 CROP WALK TBA**  
Mark your calendar! Help us raise more in 2019!  
Last year the 2018 share that came to PFS was  
\$2981.75.

**OCT. 26, 2019 Fashion Show/ Feast of Salads**  
1<sup>ST</sup> Presbyterian Church, Youngstown 44503



**Volunteers,** we pray that 2018 was a good year for you and your family. Last year was a huge success, largely due to the time you gave to PFS. We appreciate the time out of your busy life to help others!

Grace and Peace Be Yours in Abundance- 1 Peter 1:2  
In Him, April and Mary

#### **A New Year's Prayer**

May God make your year a happy one  
Not by shielding from all the sorrows and pain  
But by strengthening you to bear it as it comes.  
Not by making your path easy,  
But making you sturdy to travel any path.  
Not by taking hardship from you,  
But by taking fear from your heart.  
Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,  
But by keeping your face bright even in the shadows  
Not by making life always pleasant  
But by showing you when people and their causes  
need you most, And by making you anxious to be  
there to help. God's love, peace, hope and joy to you  
for the year ahead.

#### **Help Protestant Family Service Celebrate 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

- ✚ We are selling T-shirts commemorating our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary!
- ✚ We are selling ads for our Annual Meeting program book (held in May).
- ✚ We are having a donation campaign of \$7.50, \$75.00 up to \$750.00!



#### **LET US SHARE AND REMEMBER TOGETHER**

***In Loving Memory,  
Forever in our hearts!***

Jewel Black  
Ronald Black  
Jack Farmer  
Beth Garver  
Marian Glover  
Olga E. Tchorgk Gollich  
O'dena Harris  
Rev. M. Kenneth Morris  
Kathleen "Honey" O'Connell  
Rev. Robert Offerdahl  
Mozelle Snead  
Rev. Condie Watters

## THOSE WE SERVE

### *Judy Wilson, Caseworker*

*Our client of the week is a gentleman that had come to PFS from time to time; meaning he only comes when he absolutely is in need. On the wall is a reading by Charles Swindall called Attitude. My client told me he read it on the wall and how he told his stepdaughter that she had the wrong attitude about asking for food. How thankful he is that there are agencies such as PFS to help when people are in need.*

### **YOUNGSTOWN FOUNDATION WILL MATCH 10% OF YOUR DONATION!**

This is for donations to Protestant Family Service of \$100 or more. BUT checks must be made out to Youngstown Foundation with PFS written on the check memo line!

Mail to: Youngstown Foundation, P.O. Box 1162, Youngstown, OH 44501. **ONLINE** donations at <http://www.youngstownfoundation.org>

### **2019 GRANT AWARDED**

Episcopal Diocese of Ohio awarded PFS \$20,000.00 to be used throughout 2019.

- For emergency aid to the elderly
- For emergency aid for head of household ages 25-59

\*Agency guidelines will be followed in dispensing all funds.

Prayerfully consider including PFS in your "Will" so this work will continue to glorify God and leave a legacy for your family.



**PLEASE** start sending in your Ads for the Annual Meeting Program Book **NOW!**

- If they are not camera ready or need changes send ASAP.

See insert or contact Cathy Pokrivnak with questions at [pfsclp@gmail.com](mailto:pfsclp@gmail.com) or Jackie.

### **PLEASE "ADOPT A CLASSROOM"**

"Classroom Wish" requests come all year long from the Special-Needs Preschool Teachers. **If this touches your heart**

and you would like to donate gift cards, learning toys or clothing please contact Cathy Pokrivnak at [pfsclp@gmail.com](mailto:pfsclp@gmail.com) or PFS at 330-746-4600.

### **2019 OFFICE NEEDS**

Postage Stamps, White-Out, Brown Grocery Bags, Reams of 28 lb. Regular White paper and 4-1/8" x 9 1/2" business envelopes.

### **CLIENT NEEDS**

Personal Care Products for men and women (disposable razors, face soap, lotion, pads, toothpaste). Laundry and Dish Detergent; Bus Passes; Paper Products; Cleaning Supplies; Gasoline Cards and food always welcome.

### **NEED A SPEAKER?**

**LEARN ABOUT PFS and our growing programs! PFS is available to speak to your congregation or group.**

We welcome the opportunity to share the ministry of Protestant Family Service using our power point presentation. Our mission is not only to the clients we serve, but to our supporters. Our goal is to keep you informed on changes going on in our community, what the agency is doing and how we respond to the needs. **Please call the office at (330) 746-4600.**

We have meeting rooms and you can tour our facility and our pantry to see firsthand how we operate.

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## **CHRISTMAS 2018 THANK YOU!**

With your support, PFS was able to provide Christmas help to 50 families! This included a total of 145 children! In addition we were able to fill the classroom wishes of thirteen Special Needs Pre-School Teachers. PFS serviced 113 regular clients which brings the December total to 309 people that were blessed by you!



Thank you for joining us on our Charitable Journey in 2018!  
We hope you will continue to support PFS in 2019!