

The Life Enrichment Center AT OYSTER BAY

Dear Members,

I'm often asked where the funding comes from to support all the programs and services we offer to Seniors - free of charge! In the "pie chart" of revenue the biggest slice is from program generated income which includes donations for meals, transportation and exercise. The suggested \$3.00 meal, \$1.50 bus and \$5.00 class donations are so appreciated (and needed!) but still don't cover the costs of the programs.

To help defray expenses we rely on the behind-the-scenes fundraising efforts of our members. As I write this letter the front lobby of the Center is being converted into a bakery. Dozens of cookies, cakes and pies are being delivered, all home-made and baked with love. It's day one of our annual **Bake and Book Sale** which is just one of many fundraisers our members host and support throughout the year.

If you missed it this year don't dismay; there are many other wonderful member generated fundraisers to look forward throughout the year:

Pancake Breakfast
Festival of Baskets (Chinese Auction)
Unique Antique Sale
Clam Chowder at the Oyster Fest
Sugar and Spice Cookie Sale
Wellness Walk

So when I'm asked, it is with great pride that I am able to share with our board of directors and donors how committed our members and volunteers are in helping support what many call their "Home Away from Home". Member support is essential to the sustainability of the Center and we thank you for your dedication!

Up Next-

Please join us, members and friends, on June 21st for the "Festival of Baskets". Which is a really, really big Chinese Auction!

Be well,

- Judy Palumbo, Executive Director

