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Lancaster YMCA Hosts Re-Gifting Auction to Support Strong Kids Campaign

(Lancaster, NY) – The Lancaster Family YMCA will hold its 2nd Annual Re-Gifting Chinese Auction on Sunday, January 31st, 2010 from 1:00-4:00 pm at Jade’s Restaurant, 4495 Broadway, Depew NY in order to help raise money for their annual Strong Kids Campaign. The campaign, led by Tina Spyres and Pat Burgio, hopes to exceed its goal of \$37,500 by March 4, 2010 and by participating in this event you will be giving back to those in our community.

“The YMCA’s goal is to deny no one of services because of inability to pay which is why the Strong Kids campaign is so important,” stated Tina Spyres. “If we can meet or exceed the goal we have set, we will be able to provide scholarship assistance to many more children and families who otherwise would be unable to participate in YMCA programs,” she continued.

Tickets are \$10/person which includes finger foods, beverages, and a chance to win two tickets to an upcoming Buffalo Sabres game. Ticket holders will also have an opportunity to purchase tickets for a chance to win re-gifted items. A lottery tree and a 50/50 drawing will also be held. Come support Lancaster YMCA’s Strong Kids Campaign. Last year the Lancaster Family YMCA provided 553 scholarships totaling \$83,125.00 for a variety of programs including summer camp, child care and youth sports.

In the next few Wednesdays, YMCA volunteers will be calling on people in the community to help support the campaign. For information on becoming involved in the Strong Kids Campaign, to make a donation, or purchase event tickets contact Helen Wodka, Lancaster Family YMCA Executive Director or office staff at 716-684-2395.

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Locally founded in 1852, YMCA Buffalo Niagara is an inclusive association of people committed to a common effort to help individuals and families reach their fullest potential in terms of spirit, mind, and body. The YMCAs focus on health and wellness is reflected in the variety of programs that we offer for all ages and abilities. Additionally collaborations with insurance carriers such as Univera, Independent Health, and BlueCross BlueShield provide the opportunity for those wanting to take the first step toward a healthier lifestyle to do so at the YMCA.

A not for profit organization, YMCA Buffalo Niagara serves over 100,000 people annually through the seven branches located throughout Western New York, YMCA Camp Weona, as well as at over 40 community based program sites. This tremendous outreach would not be possible without the support of our volunteers. From summer camp, preschool and school age child care to SilverSneakers®, youth sports programs and swimming lessons-there is something for everyone at the YMCA. For more information visit us online at www.ymcabuffaloniagara.org

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