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Baseball Day at Wartburg Hits a Home Run with Yankee Legend Willie Randolph and Current Star Oswaldo Cabrera

Mount Vernon, NY, (August 25, 2025) Wartburg's campus was filled with the sights and sounds of America's favorite pastime on Friday, August 22, as residents, families, and community members came together to celebrate Senior Citizens Day with *Baseball Day at Wartburg*. The celebration featured a very special meet-and-greet with Yankee legend **Willie Randolph** and current player **Oswaldo Cabrera**, marking the first time professional baseball players have visited the 159-year-old campus.

The event kicked off with a rousing performance by the award winning **Ice Cold Performing Arts Drumline from Mount Vernon**, setting the tone for a festive afternoon. Randolph and Cabrera spent time inside the **Adult Day Center**, engaging personally with participants before joining the outdoor festivities, where they mingled with residents, staff, and neighbors.

The atmosphere was reminiscent of a classic block party, complete with baseball-themed games, face painting, music, and all the stadium favorites - from hot dogs and popcorn to ice cream. Wartburg was also honored to welcome **Mount Vernon Mayor Shawn Patterson-Howard**, who joined residents and local youth in celebrating the day.

During the program, **David J. Gentner, Wartburg President & CEO**, presented Randolph and Cabrera with a special proclamation recognizing their visit and contributions to the spirit of community. The proclamation was signed by CEO Gentner and **Wartburg Adult Day participant Faheem Atkins**, underscoring the day's intergenerational spirit.

Baseball Day was made possible by the dedication of nearly **50 volunteers representing more than 15 community organizations** who came together to serve food, run activities, and ensure the event was a joyful success.

Participating partners included:

- Boys and Girls Club of Mount Vernon
- Children's Village
- Denzel Washington School of the Arts
- Doles Recreation Center
- Girl Scout Troops 1856 & 2449



- Kiwanis Club of Mount Vernon
- Knights of Columbus 410
- Mount Vernon Lions Club
- Mount Vernon Youth Bureau
- Pelham High School
- Red Hat Society of Westchester
- Rotary Club of Greater Mount Vernon
- Rye Country Day School
- School of the Holy Child
- Y-COP (Youth Community Outreach Program)
- Young Professionals of Mount Vernon
- Along with Wartburg's board, staff, residents, families, and community members

“We are filled with gratitude for the way this community came together to make Baseball Day such a success,” said Gentner. “It was a celebration not only of baseball, but of joy, connection, and Wartburg’s enduring commitment to bringing people together.”

About Wartburg

Nestled in Mount Vernon, NY, Wartburg stands apart with its holistic approach to senior living and healthcare. Unlike other adult communities, Wartburg offers a vibrant 34-acre campus where residents enjoy integrated services that extend well beyond typical care. Whether it is independent living, assisted living, rehabilitation or adult day care, Wartburg's continuum of care is designed to meet diverse needs with excellence. Their dedication to families extends beyond medical care, providing robust caregiver support at every stage. Recognized as one of the "Best Nursing Homes in New York State" by U.S. News & World Report for a remarkable thirteen years running, Wartburg continues to set the standard in senior care, fostering a community where well-being thrives.

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Mayor Shawn Patterson-Howard, Mount Vernon, celebrates Senior Citizens Day with guests at Wartburg's Baseball Day



Yankee Legend Willie Randolph and current player Oswaldo Cabrera with Wartburg Adult Day Center participants.