

THE TEA GLASS



Adult Services

Special Olympics just finished up our bowling season with 2 tournaments in April. 18 athletes traveled to H.P Lanes in Columbus, Ohio. Each individual bowled 2 games against several other Special Olympic teams. It was a very successful during both tournaments with almost all of our athletes placing 1st or 2nd place.

On the Self Advocacy side of things, nominations were taken for new officers. Current officers term will be up on June 3rd. We had an overwhelming amount of individuals that want to run for an office position next month. Members of A.G.M that were nominated will be creating posters and hanging them on the walls to earn votes. They will also write a speech to tell everyone why they should be elected for the position they are running for.

AGM

We have continued going on several Hab trips a month with restaurant trips and group outings. On April 29th, 21 individuals went to WWE Raw at nationwide arena. It was a lifetime experience for several of the individuals that have never been to a wrestling event and love it. I want to thank all the staff that traveled up to Columbus for the trip. It could not have happened if it was not for the staff that went. We were successfully able to keep track of 21 individuals in an arena full of over 20,000 people.



We will miss Rita Wood as she will be retiring June 30th. Good luck, Rita as you start your new chapter and adventure in life.

Transportation/Operations



This quarter in transportation we completed a surprise inspection on our buses and completed the annual inspection for our vans. We are all good to go! I want to thank all staff who drives our buses and van for completing your daily inspections it plays a big role in the upkeep of our vehicles.



The security improvements are still in process of being completed. All the cameras at both facilities have been installed. The phones located in the vestibules are to be used by all visitors for identification purposes before they enter the building. We are still waiting on our laminate glass for the sliding doors and our buzz in devices that will be controlled by a wireless remote to open the sliding doors once a visitor is identified. The railing for Progressive Industries and the Starting Gate has been ordered and when it arrives it will be installed at the front entry for both buildings. This railing will serve as security and as health and safety.

SSA Department

The SSA Department continues to add State Plan services for people instead of or in combination with the use of waiver services for qualifying services, such as, medication administration and homemaker personal care. This coordination of service meets the needs of the person in a cost effective way that bills Medicaid instead of the Medicaid Waiver, which in turn frees up money to serve other people and or save cost to the county board. Speaking of waivers, we just enrolled two children on the new SELF Waiver (Self-Empowered Life Funded Waiver). This waiver is different from other waivers in that it allows the person and their Broker to purchase a variety of services and products that are not covered with the other waivers. Also, this waiver has cost caps of \$25,000 annually for children and \$40,000 annually for adults.

Since local county boards took over the case management from CareStar of the TDD Waiver (Transitions Waiver) in January, we have found the process to be as smooth as it could be and better than the experiences of other county boards. This has been a great change for us, especially SSA Cathie Rippeth who has this specialized caseload,

in figuring this waiver out and the processes involved. Cathie has done an excellent job in educating individuals, families, and providers on our system requirements. While this has been a big change for us, we do feel that people being served on this waiver under the DODD system will receive more specialized services that will better meets their needs and therefore have more positive outcomes.

Cheri Zingery has continued to refer students and young adults to the Bridges summer program. This program will provide paid community based assessments that will assist in future job placements.

Thanks to all who helped make the Behavior Support Advisory Council's spring-thing a success! A special thanks to Cheryl Binegar in being a key part of making this happen. The kids and families had a great time!



Speaking of Cheryl, we would like to recognize her for receiving the Exceptional Achievement Commendation from the 30th Annual Exceptional Achievement Award Ceremony, sponsored by the Regional Advisory Council, Parent Advisory Council of Region 14

Early Childhood



Trish and Nicki's class studied about caterpillars. The children got to look at them "up close" with their new magnifying glasses. In about a week, the caterpillars will be cocoons and another week later, they should have painted ladies butterflies which they will need to check out up close and personal once again.

Miss Erin's room spent time learning about life cycles and they recently hatched chicken eggs!



The 5 year old room is preparing for the zoo trip. They are looking at different animals they will see at the zoo and learning about real/pretend through activities done in the room and from books they are reading in class. In this activity they pretended the animals could talk and the students dictated a sentence for their animals.





Erin and Kristen's class

Miss Erin and Miss Kristen had 11 children graduate and
Miss Jamie and Miss Linda had 22.

Congrats to the Preschool Graduating class of 2013

Jamie and Linda's class



Happy Birthday!

The following staff either has had, or will be celebrating their birthday this summer.

MAY	3	ROBIN BEEKMAN
	4	CHERYL BINEGAR
	6	JILL PHILLIPS
	11	TERRI BROWN
	17	LISA ROBINETTE
	19	TERESA BORDEN
	24	TRICIA ENOCHS
	24	NIKKI PARKER
	30	ROBYN RUNNELS
	30	HEATHER HOPPES

JULY	1	BRENDA GOOLSBY
	20	CHRISSY DANIELS
	22	ERIN ELLIOTT
	22	KELLY CAMPBELL
	24	VICKI CLAY
	27	HEATHER BUYER

JUNE	10	MIRANDA BAILEY
	21	FRED WILLIAMS
	22	TERESA LEETH
	25	KRISTEN WHITMER
	27	NICKI MICK

AUGUST	8	STACEY BAUSER
	14	MELISSA JOHNSON
	18	TIM STEWART
	22	JAN COBB
	24	BETSY MILLER