

Adult Day Services

Innovations in Learning

May 2015

Effective Teaching – SUCCESSFUL Learning

PROGRAMMING

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Blues Fest on April 24th. It was a fun afternoon! We raised more than \$300, which will be donated to Autism Speaks and Prevent Child Abuse of Lake County.

Our theme this month is “We’re Blossoming”. We will continue to learn about the life cycle of plants, horticulture, and spring flowers. We will also be doing a unit on wind and fire safety. There are many fun things and several guest speakers planned for this month, so be sure to check your daily communication notes.

We are slowly adopting the new format for our monthly reports, with the goal to have everyone switched to the new format by the end of June. We really hope this will be a much better way to communicate ongoing progress toward ISP goals. We also hope everyone is enjoying the new groups and a much more meaningful day. We are in search of educational curriculum. Maybe your school is updating textbooks? If so, please see if you can get copies of reading, social studies, and science curriculum that would otherwise be thrown away.

Just a friendly reminder of Innovations’ attendance procedure. If you are running late, or need to call off, then please call the Day Services office directly to leave a message at (219) 791-1400. Please do not email this information as we do not always get a chance to review emails first thing in the morning. Should you need to cancel transportation with Innovations’ vans, Stacey Shrewsbury should be called directly at (219) 677-8340 before 7:00am.

Spring is here, which means there will be days when we will bring our groups outside. If you would like to bring in your own sunscreen, please do so. Just be sure to label it with your name.

On the first Wednesday of each month, we have the opportunity to go to the Crown Point YMCA and utilize their gym for a fun outing of physical activity and games. Although we would love to provide this opportunity to all of our groups, at this time the YMCA is not able to accommodate. We hope to have this opportunity available to all rooms as soon as their schedule allows. You will also note some differences in outings between some of the classrooms. Please remember that the learning needs are different in each classroom, so the outings may vary. We are also at the mercy of the schedules of where the outings may be held, so it is not always possible for us to provide the exact same opportunity for everyone, although we try really hard. We appreciate your understanding. Please let us know if you are aware of free events within the community. We are always looking for more outing ideas.

UPCOMING DATES

May 25: Innovations CLOSED for Memorial Day
June 5: Innovations Closing EARLY at 2:00pm (*early dismissal for Day Services*)
June 26: Innovations Picnic (*more details to come*)
July 3-6: Day Program CLOSED for Independence Day

STAFFING

Stride: Sierra, Wendy (supervisor: Stacey)
Shine: Todd, Katie, Dawn, Michele (supervisor: Stacey)
Leap: Kasey, Robert, Ray, Tiffanie (supervisor: Anie)
Life: Heather, Jim, Stacey G, Michelle, Tiffany (supervisor: Anie)

COMMUNITY HABILITATION

Please note your outing day. If you need to arrive late or early on that scheduled outing day, please speak with your Program Supervisor to make arrangements in advance.

Life: Monday

5/4: Shopping
5/11: IBEW Local 697-learn about the windmill
5/18: Picnic lunch at the park (please bring sack lunch)

Stride: Tuesday

5/5: Scheeringa Farm-checking out the flowers (*feel free to bring money if you would like to make a purchase*)
5/12: IBEW Local 697-learn about the windmill
5/19: Picnic lunch at the park (please bring sack lunch)
5/26: Fire Safety: details to be announced

Shine: Wednesday

5/6: Crown Point YMCA-open gym
5/13: IBEW Local 697-learn about the windmill
5/20: Scheeringa Farm-checking out the flowers (*feel free to bring money if you would like to make a purchase*)
5/27: Picnic lunch at the park (please bring sack lunch)

Leap: Thursday

5/7: Library
5/14: Picnic lunch at the park (please bring sack lunch)
5/21: Shopping
5/28: Fire Safety: details to be announced



*Happy Mother's Day
to all of our AMAZING MOMS!*