



Marklund Hyde Center Winter Newsletter 2021

From the Administrator

Greetings and Happy New Year!!

We hope our newsletter finds you all staying healthy and ready to take on the new year and whatever it may bring. While we are all staying quite busy here on campus, we are eager for our residents and clients to return to the Hyde Center and to again be out in the community.

We are gearing up for our partnered COVID-19 vaccine clinic with Walgreens. All of our residents and staff who have opted in will receive their first dose of vaccine on February 12th and the second dose March 5th. March 26th will be a make-up clinic in the event anyone misses one of the first two clinic days. We will be receiving the Pfizer version of the vaccine. Our medical director fully supports our residents receiving the vaccine and we are happy to address any concerns you may have prior to your loved one being vaccinated.

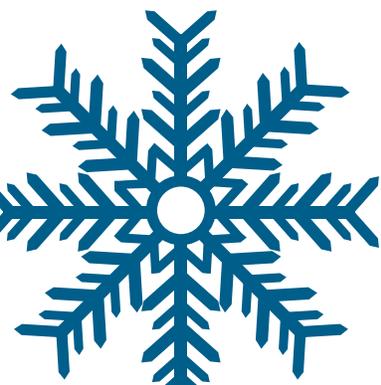
In the hope that we will be able to have visitors and larger events later in the summer, we have moved our annual Summer Games from June to August. Dates and times to be announced later.

In other news, I am happy to report that our PSP caregiver positions are nearly fully staffed with only two full-time and two part-time positions left to fill on the entire campus. While we are still covering for staff out due to COVID quarantine guidelines, our Retention Initiative has been incredibly successful and we will continue our efforts.

Many, many thanks to all of our families for continuing to support our staff and all of our efforts to keep your loved ones safe. Your generosity and kind words are very much appreciated.

Best,

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Nursing Updates



Please join me in welcoming these new nurses! Carolyn Salise is our new Nurse Case Manager for Haverkampf. Previously, she has been our 3-11 nurse at MHH. We are happy to see her promoted to the NCM position. Our new night nurse for MVH/MHH is Katie Johnson. She is doing great and the residents love her. Our newest addition is Brittney O'Malley. She has taken the part-time night nurse spot at MSH/MTH. She is currently training and catching on quickly.

We are rapidly approaching our first COVID vaccine clinic. Please know that we are educating our nurses on the possible signs and symptoms of a reaction to the vaccine. You will be notified of any change in your loved one's condition. If you have any questions regarding the vaccine, please feel free to reach out to your nurse case manager or myself. We will do our best to answer with the most up-to-date information we have from the CDC.

Bev Gallagher, Director of Nursing

Therapy

Hello Parents and Guardians!

I hope you are all faring well with the current circumstances, recent holidays, and snow! The therapy department has been busily working in the homes for these many months with your loved ones. When it was warmer we went for bike rides or walks outside, now we exercise, stretch, try different positions, and use our devices inside. On occasion, a resident asks if they can go outside to ride a bike and if it isn't too cold or icy, he or she will get their wish.

As you have probably assumed, there has been no pool since March and we don't know when that will resume. We all miss it for its therapeutic benefits and change of pace. Once we do resume, I wanted to let you know that we will no longer be sending notification letters for upcoming pool sessions. This does not mean your loved one will be going in less often, but that we are trying to be greener and more efficient. When we are up and running again and can have visitors, if you would like to come watch your loved one in a session or participate, we'd be happy to accommodate you. All you have to do is call the therapy department at the Marklund Hyde Center or email us. We can either let you know when they are due to go in or squeeze them in when it is convenient for you.

Thank you for your support. You are in our thoughts and we wish you love and light for the New Year!

Dena Bonnike, Speech-Language Pathologist and Therapy Manager

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Upcoming Birthdays

February

Mike K
Cindy P
Katie B
Ruthie B
TC
Heather D
Laura T
Grant Z

March

Courtney L
Niko P
Lisa W
Brian R
Shanon S

April

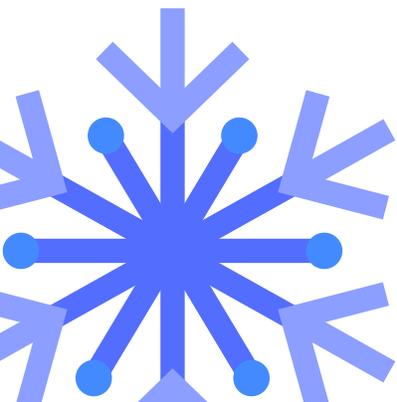
George
Bill W
Robert D
Rosie B
Brenda J
Rosie K
Suzy Z
Erin H
Dawn M
Michelle B
Mary C
Sammy D
Ray U

Important Dates

2/6/2021- Top Hat Ball- Upside Down 7-8 p.m.

3/6/2021- Parent Meeting- 10 a.m.

4/15-18/2021- Virtual RWR-Bloomingtondale





CDS Updates



Happy New Year Everyone! Goodbye 2020, Hello 2021! It is hard to believe that we have started a new year!! Hopefully 2021 will bring back some type of 'normalcy' and we can resume Community Day Services at the Hyde Center soon!

We have been very busy this past quarter. The Developmental Instructors have continued to conduct curriculum and other activities with the residents each day. We have celebrated Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and even the New Year! Although 2020 was a very challenging year, our residents were able to have a wonderful holiday season thanks to our staff and generous donors!

Our Developmental Instructor from Classroom 2/MVH, Stephanie Mabry, resigned effective December 31st as she is continuing her education and has been accepted into a program of her choice! We are happy that she is continuing her education and wish her well! She will be missed!

Our Community Integration (CI) Team has been doing an amazing job of assisting the DI's in the homes with crafts and other activities/jobs with the residents. They also had an opportunity to decorate and display our Christmas Tree at Doughocracy in downtown Geneva in order to participate in the Geneva History Center Giving Trees event. They have also been working with the DI's in order to create a basket that will be auctioned off at the Top Hat Ball being held on February 6th. Each home came up with a different theme which the respective DI and CI created together with the residents. The themes are as follows:

MDH: Coffee

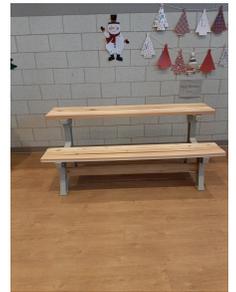
MHH: Italian

MRH: Movie Night

MSH: Spa Day

MTH: Southern Hospitality

MVH: Cinco de Mayo



The residents have really enjoyed working hands-on with these baskets and are very excited to see how much they bring in at auction!

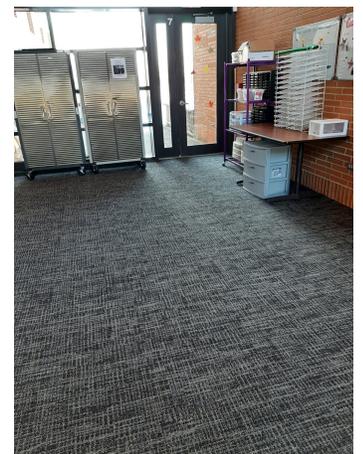
Another Top Hat Ball auction item are homemade benches made by a local Boy Scout Troop. Attendees at the Top Hat Ball will bid on the benches, and the donor with the highest bid will have a plaque with their name placed on the bench. Each home will receive a bench and the residents will have the opportunity to decorate them when the weather is permitting. Two of the benches together make a picnic table. Also, when the bench is flipped up, it makes for a half picnic table, allowing for a wheelchair on the other side.

CDS has brand new carpet in the hallway at the Hyde Center! We got new flooring in the classrooms a few months ago, but now we also have new carpet, which looks really nice. We are looking forward in showing off the new carpet to the residents and community clients as they are going to enjoy the new scenery!

We are still missing our Community Clients and continue to hold them all close to our hearts, we look forward to seeing them when guidance allows.

Take care and be safe,

-Kayla A. Clifton, CDS
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From the Homes



MDH

Happy New Year from Dreher Home!! We hope everyone had great holidays this past quarter. I know the holidays were different for everyone – including us! I am so happy to share that every single resident at Dreher Home had a virtual visit during their gift opening. It truly warmed my heart to know and see all the love through virtual visiting. I feel so thankful that if we have to live in a world where there is a pandemic, we live in one that technology allows us to still gather in some fashion. Everyone here enjoyed seeing their loved ones' faces! We are so hopeful that the light at the end of the tunnel keeps getting closer and closer. Until then we will continue doing the best we can. One of the more favored activities this quarter with everyone here was our makeshift paint parties! Overall everyone seemed to enjoy that and we hope to do more in the future!

Angela, MDH Group Home Manager

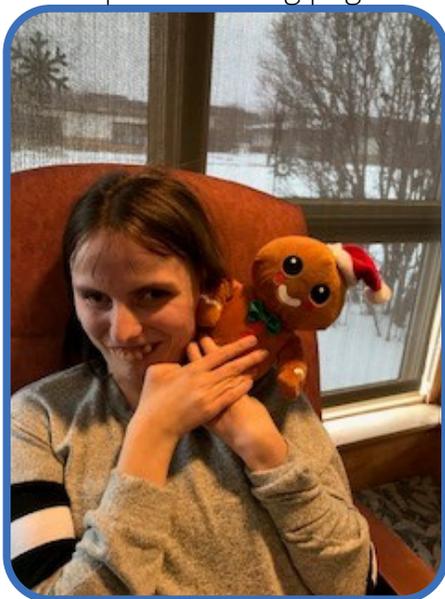


MHH



Haverkamp Home was the Gingerbread Home of Marklund during the Holidays! Residents and staff celebrated Haverkamp Christmas Spirit Week and had games like "Find the Gingerbread Man," "Guess Whose Christmas Tree," and "Christmas Raffle." All residents were wearing their Gingerbread Shirts during Christmas Eve!

A big "THANK YOU" to all the guardians and staff that gave their support for the Top Hat Ball Event through the Haverkamp fundraising page. *Lem, MHH Group Home Manager*



MRH

Greetings from Richard Home!

Happy New Year! I am sure we are all hoping 2021 brings big changes that bring us all closer together again!

A BIG THANK YOU to Janice DeAngelo for providing our residents with a Halloween Story Time over Zoom! It was a fun and spooky time!

Over this past quarter, we have not had many changes staffing wise. We welcomed a new full-time 2-10 PSP, Kayla and she is doing wonderful and we are so happy to have her!

Gift Opening looked vastly different this year without all our families and volunteers here to open gifts with our residents, however we did our best to keep the magic alive within the home. Spending 1:1 time with your loved one during Zoom Gift Opening was untraditional but heartwarming at the same time and am so grateful that we were able to connect in some way with a little help from technology!

The residents have stayed very busy with their daily curriculum, activities and are working hard on their daily goals while CDS is still being held in the home.

Enjoy a few snapshots from our quarter!

Gina, MRH Group Home Manager



MSH

CDS programming continues in the homes, as we are still not able to go to MHC. However, the residents are always busy! The residents interact with each other with the help of staff to play games, create arts and crafts, decorate the home for holidays and many other activities.

Gift Opening was different this year due to CDC Guidelines, but with the options of Zoom and Skype, families were able to be a part of the holiday cheer.

Also, the residents of MSH worked together to create a basket for the Top Hat Ball.

Zoom and Skype calls are still able to be scheduled and if you would like to do so, please contact Bernadette Pauls at (630) 593-5164, or at bpauls@marklund.org.

Bernadette, MSH Group Home Manager





MTH

Tommy Home has had a wonderful, but busy holiday season! Devyn has resigned as MTH Group Home Manager. While we are looking for a new GHM, please reach out to me for any staffing concerns, or anything you would typically reach out to Devyn for You can reach me at bsullivan@marklund.org or 630-593-5450. I am more than happy to help. We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and a very happy new year! *Brittany Sullivan, Assistant Administrator*



MVH

It is hard to believe it is 2021, and honestly we were so happy to wrap up 2020. Wrap it up and toss it out, and never look back. The people that live here, that I work for – they are my heroes. Winter is upon us and going outside is rare, yet everyday, and I mean everyday, they spread joy. They smile, laugh, and have such a positive outlook despite everything they lift our spirits. And no better example was Christmas. Decorating, singing, presents – it was wonderful. To paraphrase Tiny Tim – God Bless Us, everyone. But, there is another excitement in the air. The vaccine is coming soon! And we all are keenly aware that means a return to a more normalized life. And hold on to your hats – because we have plans! We will be making up for lost time! - *Sue, MVH Group Home Manager*



From Development

Top Hat Ball- Upside Down

When: February 6, 2021

Time: 7-8 p.m.

Where: Our ball, your ballroom!

Not only is the 25th Annual Top Hat Ball **virtual**, but it is completely turned upside down this year! We need your help now more than ever by supporting your home team! All SIX of the Marklund Hyde Center Homes are competing to be the Top Home Fundraising Team.

Give or Get \$100 If you haven't done so already, please make a donation to your team page in honor of your loved one at Marklund OR simply share the page with your social network to get to your \$100 goal from your friends, family, and colleagues.

The Prize

The top fundraising home team will win a fully-loaded sub-sandwich party for staff and residents after the event. It's not only a delicious prize for the top team, but a great way to show your home staff appreciation for all they do keeping your loved one safe, healthy, and happy during these times!

Search and support your home team here: <https://p2p.onecause.com/tophatball>

Team Leader Board as of 2/2/2021:

1. Marklund Dreher Home- \$3,825
2. Marklund Richard Home - \$3,700
3. Marklund Haverkamp Home- \$1,600
4. Marklund Sayers Home- \$1,000
5. Marklund Tommy Home- \$850
6. Marklund Van Der Molen Home- \$350

Last, but not least, don't forget to register for the complimentary live stream hour event here: <https://event.gives/TopHatBall>

Please consider joining Marklund in our Virtual Run, Walk & Roll Bloomingdale 5K/1Mile fundraising event this April! Take advantage of the opportunity to stay active and safe, all while helping us reach our net goal of \$55,000 for Marklund!

Registration includes...

- Long sleeve event shirt – guaranteed to participants that register before 3/18!
- “Made a Difference from a Distance” static cling window decal
- Raffle entry for a chance to win a GRAND PRIZE
- 5K Virtual timing entry
- Participant bib and finisher certificate
- Additional goodies/SWAG provided by our race sponsors



Sign up today and Run, Walk or Roll for Marklund anytime between April 15-18. Visit www.marklund.org/5kbloomingdale for registration and full event details!



More Pictures

