



Marklund Hyde Center Summer 2021 Newsletter

A Note from the Administrator

Hello and Happy Summer!!

Things are rolling along here on campus with lots of outdoor activities from water wars to camping trips resuming at Woodhaven Lakes. The residents and staff are all enjoying summer to its fullest. Below are a few updates and reminders on upcoming events.

- A huge thank you to all of the family members who were a part of planning our Nurse's Week and Staff Appreciation Week celebrations!! Your donations of gifts, funds, supplies, and time made both events so joyful. The staff truly felt loved and appreciated. If you would like to brainstorm other celebrations or be part of our Staff Appreciation Committee, please reach out to me and I will connect you with our staff committee members.
- Summer Games will be Saturday August 14th. The event will look much like last year as we will continue to have infection control measures in place. This will be a staff only event due to the IDPH restriction that visitors must maintain 6-foot social distancing from staff and other residents. We invite you to follow the day on social media and cheer on your loved one.
- Event registration is open for our annual Walk, Run, & Roll Geneva. This event is being planned as an in person event and resident participation will be dependent on IDPH guidance for social distancing at that time. Residents signed out of the facility on pass with their guardian may participate as they wish.
- Planning is underway for our annual Flu Vaccine Clinic. We will again be partnering with Walgreens to provide our resident vaccines. Be on the lookout for consent forms from your Group Home Manager.
- We are now able to procure COVID-19 vaccines through our residential pharmacy and will be hosting a monthly clinic for both new and existing staff who are interested in vaccination.
- I have had a few requests from families for other guardian's contact information. As a facility we are not able to disclose that information or share information about other residents. I am happy to pass along cards or contact information c/o the Hyde Center upon request.
- Our next Parent Meeting will be Saturday September 11th at 10am via Zoom. Meeting invitations and meeting link will be sent out ahead of time. Please submit your agenda items, questions or concerns by September 3rd.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or feedback please don't hesitate to reach out to myself or a member of my team.

Enjoy the beautiful weather!!

Best,
Krissy



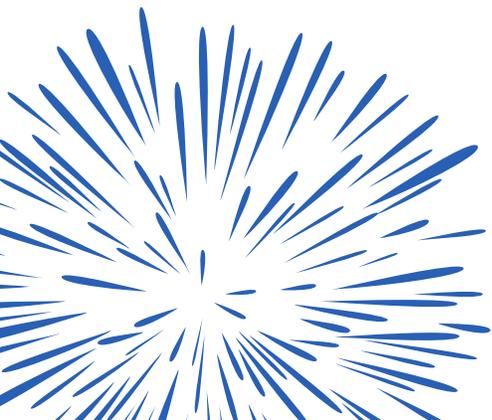
Nursing Updates

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your patience as we continue to navigate all things COVID. It is definitely not going away as quickly as we would have liked. You may be aware that infection rates are again on the rise in all 50 states. We continue to be very fortunate here on the Geneva campus. Unfortunately, things can and do happen. We do continue to update our COVID policies based on guidance from IDPH and the CDC. Please know that we are following these guidelines to keep our residents, staff and families safe and healthy. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

We have hired two new full time nurses, our new PM nurse in MDH is Pam Brebis. Pam has a great deal of experience with the DD population. We have a new night nurse starting at MVH/MHH. His name is Jai Dhadde. He is a recent grad and enjoys the night shift. Please feel free to welcome them when you have the opportunity.

-Bev, DON



Upcoming Birthdays

August

Tyler S
Albert L
Theresa H
Julie N
Delaunce D

September

Kristen J
Joy P
Matt S
Kate H
Tyesha M
Shelia S
Tracy C
Mike B
Tammy L
Adam W
Fatima A
Rosie R
Nancy B

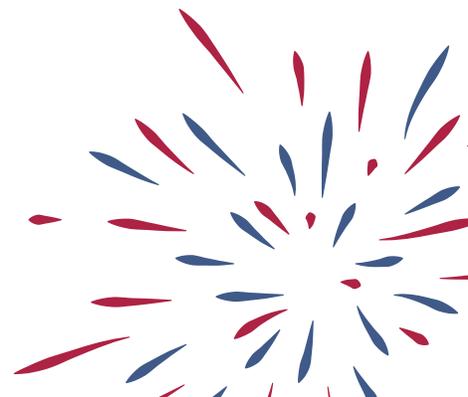
October

Lauren B
Kandace B
Andrew L
Katie M
Lesa U
Evan O
Nick C
JD P
Alyssa M
Michele W

Important Dates

August 14, 2021- Summer Games

September 4, 2021- Parent Meeting



CDS Updates



Happy Summer Everyone! We are very excited that as of May 17th, all of the homes are officially having Community Day Services back at the Hyde Center, Monday – Friday. Our residents are continuing to stay with their housemates in the classrooms; therefore, each home is in one classroom, which has worked out great! Community Client’s continue to be together in classroom 7 until further notice.

The Community Integration Team officially resumed community outings as of June 1st. They are just doing outside outings (i.e. parks, walks, and ice cream) at this time; however, everyone has enjoyed getting back out into the community. We’ve also had several volunteers return to help with the CDS outings at the end of June, which the residents and community clients have enjoyed seeing them in person again.

We have welcomed a new Developmental Instructor, Kendra Yade, to classroom 2 as of May 16th. Kendra was previously a PSP at our Van der Molen home. The residents are very happy to have her with them at CDS. Lorin Bergschneider, Developmental Instructor in classroom 4, married her best friend, Jeremy Parsons, on May 22nd; therefore, she now goes by Lorin Parsons. Her new Marklund email is lp Parsons@marklund.org

Our Developmental Instructors and Community Integration Team have continued to enjoy celebrating different National Days/Holidays with the residents and community clients, as well as working on different art projects with the residents, including decorating the benches that were donated to each home and will be placed on each home’s back patio.

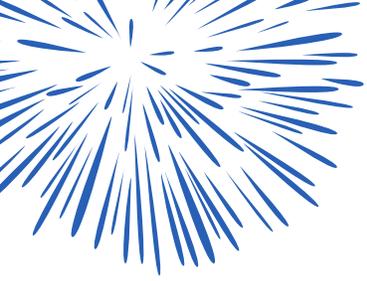
Please make sure you continue to check in with Marklund’s Facebook page to stay up to date on all the fun activities that continue to take place and so you can enjoy all the wonderful pictures! - Kayla, CDS Program Manager



Kendra Yade



Lorin and Jeremy



From the Homes

MDH

Hello Dreher Friends and Family!

We have had a fun filled few months this quarter! Outings are in full swing! We have enjoyed walks in the park, going to the zoo, and a resident favorite, CAMPING! Another great thing that has been able to remain consistent are our visits and residents being able to go out on pass with their loved ones! It has been so awesome seeing guardians and friends in person again! While so many things are changing please continue to reach out to me to schedule visits and taking your loved ones out on pass. I look forward to the day you all are able to come into the home and visit with all who live here as so many of you enjoy so much!

In other exciting news - we recently admitted a new resident, Cassidy! We are so excited to add her to our Dreher Family! She fits perfectly in our home and we have really enjoyed getting to know her these past couple months and look forward to continuing our relationship with her and her family! We hope everyone has a fun filled, safe summer! - Angela, MDH Group Home Manager

MHH

Great things are happening in the activities department! For the month of April our residents visited neighboring parks. In May, we celebrated Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, and Memorial Day with music, food, and arts and crafts. Our residents had the chance to experience the "Drive-Thru Dinosaur Safari" in Aurora. This tour offers an audio guide in both English and Spanish that plays over the car's audio system. In June, our residents participated in painting sessions with Wes. We also started our camping trips at Woodhaven Lakes providing a spectacular natural setting for relaxation for our residents. We are expecting an even busier month in July!

MRH

Greetings from Richard Home!

It is hard to believe we are mid-July already. We have experienced some highly welcomed milestones with the return of CDS 5 days per week since May 17th! The sense of normalcy was met with such relief and happiness! Additionally, we have resumed outings from the home at the end of March. I am happy to say that everyone has been out at least twice this quarter! Our residents enjoyed a special outing to the DINO DRIVE THRU! We also went camping in June! It was great to see our residents out enjoying nature again and I think their smiles say it all! It has been great to have our residents back out in the community while staying within our guidelines and keeping them safe.

Recently, with the help of a donation from our TAA, LaShawn, we added an outdoor movie screen and projector for summer movie nights! We are just waiting for that perfect summer night weather! Speaking of summer...we are ready for SUMMER GAMES next month!

Lastly, we lost our beloved friend and housemate, Shelly at the end of June. She was such a bright light in Richard Home. I think I can speak on behalf of all the residents and staff who knew Shelly or have walked the halls the MRH in saying that Shelly's absence is deeply felt and we send our condolences the entire Borchardt family.-Gina, MRH Group Home Manager

MSH

Sayers Home residents are very excited to return to CDS at the Hyde Center 5 days a week! Outings from both CDS and MSH have resumed, and residents are going on many trips into the community. Jazmin, the MSH TAA, continues to plan outings from MSH. She has found quite a few different parks in the area that have walking paths, or she will take residents for a drive and pick up dinner or ice cream before heading back home. Some of our residents have also been on a full day camping trip to Woodhaven Campground (with more trips to follow). Our 4th of July celebration was planned by LPSPs, Melissa and Lola, and the residents from both MSH and MTH had a blast! Also, MSH residents and staff received matching shirts that say "#SayersSquad: We never drop the ball" (our reference to football and Gale Sayers) -Bernadette, MSH Group Home Manager

MTH

There has been a lot going on at Tommy home this quarter! With COVID-19 restrictions lifting (slowly), there have been a lot of exciting changes. CDS is back at the Hyde Center full time 5 days a week. Residents have enjoyed working on activities accompanying the themes and curriculum. Some of the themes this quarter were baseball week, gardening week, patriot week, and nurse appreciation week. Tommy Home additionally held multiple weekend BBQs, a prom, and a splash party! Another great result from the changing guidelines is that outings are back! Although we have not begun indoor outings, residents have been able to go to various parks, drive-thru exhibits, and their personal favorite, CAMPING! Many of the photos included are of our residents on these various outings. Unfortunately, we lost long time resident, Chrissy, this last quarter. She will be greatly missed at MTH. In other exciting news, Tommy Home recently admitted a new resident to the home, Anna! Anna's housemates and staff members have been so excited to get to know her and have welcomed her with open arms. She fits in perfectly with the Tommy Home family. Enjoy the rest of your summer and as always, please reach out with any and all needs -Carly, MTH Group Home Manager

MVH

This has been a wonderful quarter! Summer is here, CDS is full time, outside outings are taking place, family can visit, and we celebrated PSPs and nurses (thank you to all that helped set that up).Illinois continues to go in the right direction, and it is making all us so happy 😊. We have planted our gardens, played in the sprinklers, had barbeques, played ball – all we need now is for family to join us!- Sue, MVH Group Home Manager

From Development



Join us on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at the Marklund Hyde Center as we return to in-person (and virtual!) for Marklund's 9th Annual Run, Walk & Roll- Geneva 5k/1 Mile event!

Registration Includes:

- Event Hoodie or Beanie Hat
- Finisher Medal
- Race Bib
- Chipped Timing for Live 5k Participants and Online Timing Entry for Virtual 5k Participants
- Sponsor Product Samples and Goodies
- Entry to "Party in the Park" Celebration: Pal Joey's Pizza, Soul Harbour mini therapy horses... and much more!

Visit www.marklund.org/5kgeneva to get started TODAY.

And don't forget to type-in which Geneva Home you would like to support in the "Home Team Cup" competition! The team that receives the most registration fees and donations will be awarded the trophy and 2021 title. Team Haverkampff, Team VanDerMolen, Team Richard, Team Dreher, Team Tommy, Team Sayers

Questions? Please contact Community Events Manager, Natalie Sarby, at nsarby@marklund.org or (630)593-5461



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Spring 2021 Pictures





