

Arkay Unity April 2019 Newsletter

MISSION STATEMENT

To assist the Developmentally Disabled and the Elderly Disabled to achieve community inclusion that enhances personal potential, employment opportunities and/or volunteerism.

Those Who Serve:

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Management Team!

Amanda Witchelhouse: Detroit Wayne Mental health Authority

Paul Torony: Community Living Services Consumers

Jared Hamilton: Case Coordinator

Contessa Stokely: Lead Worker

Sarah Dell'Eva: Lead Worker

We are here to assist the individuals of Arkay, staff, caregivers, and the MCPN's. Their outcomes, accomplishments, and success are only met with group effort.

VAN DRIVERS CORNER

We would like to thank those who continue to donate for van transportation. We will be there to pick you up, if for any reason we need to cancel van transportation, we will call you as soon as possible. **Due to colder weather the times may vary for pick up's and drop off's. PLEASE BE READY BETWEEN 7:30-9:30A.M. and DROP OFF'S WILL BE BETWEEN 2:45 P.M.-4:30 P.M.**



Just a reminder: ALL CHECKS MUST BE IN 7 DAYS BEFORE THE EVENT TO ALLOW FOR PROCESSING TIME, AND PLEASE FILL OUT THE ACTIVITY SLIP AHEAD OF TIME SO WE ENSURE TO HAVE ENOUGH PRODUCTS FOR EVERYONE FOR ALL EVENTS!

WE ARE SELLING ARKAY COOKBOOKS FOR \$10.00 EACH. THEY ARE AVAILABLE AT
THE MAIN OFFICE.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT!!

**If anyone has any new outing or craft suggestions feel free to send them in, we
are always looking for new ideas!**

We wish all of our consumers, staff, and parents/caregivers who have been ill a
speedy recovery. Our prayers go out to all of you.

Staff Anniversary!

Hallie Parsons 4/4

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION!!!

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

April S – 4/12. Schote D – 4/17. Michael S – 4/25. Dean S – 4/5.

Bulah W – 4/24. Tina W – 4/2. Trevor G – 4/8. Dawn W – 4/13

Enjoy Free Lunch on 4-30-19 To Celebrate Your April Birthday.

Business Development Corner for the April Newsletter:

Business Developers Corner:

Happy Spring Everyone! We are looking forward to new opportunities for jobs this spring. We are now participating at the Garden of Hope in Grosse Ile, where some of our individuals are learning to weed, cultivate and harvest. For those that aren't familiar with The Gardens of Hope, it's a green house on Grosse Ile. We are happy to have this opportunity to work and learn about gardening.

As always, please let us know if you know of a business that is hiring or of a craft show or church bazaar coming up.

*Parents & Guardians, if you weren't able to come to our Free Workshop on **Understanding How Social Security's Disability Benefits Are Viewed While Working**, please feel free to contact Kyra or Kim at the business development office if you have any questions. We can give you information to get in contact with a work incentive planning assistance (WIPA) benefits specialist, to get a FREE customized analysis done. This is very beneficial for anyone receiving SSI or SSDI benefits and want to work or are already working.*

We also want to invite you to the DCTC (Downriver Community Transition Council) Resource Event at Jo Brighton on Thursday, April 4, 2019, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Arkay Business Developers will be at this event.

Have a Safe and Happy Spring!

Your Business Development Team:

Kyra, Kim, Mark, Megan & Tammy

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