



WHAT'S NEW AROUND DSC...

C-U in the Prairibbean XIV



C-U in the Prairibbean is just around the corner! The Eastern Illinois Parrot Head Club (EIPHC) is hosting their 14th annual fundraising event benefiting DSC on August 4, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in downtown Champaign, in the parking lot at the corner of Washington and Neil. The event will showcase Jake and Jackson as the opening act, followed by The Tons O' Fun Band, and The Boat Drunks will finish the evening of great local music! As always, there will be a large silent auction featuring many great items! This year's event features a \$2,500 CASH raffle! Event tickets are \$10 each. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or

five for \$20. Both tickets are available for purchase, along with full event details are available on DSC's website or you may stop by the office to purchase tickets anytime between 8-5 pm Monday-Friday.

The raffle, sponsored by First State Bank, and event tickets, sponsored by Enterprise and Herff Jones, each feature coupons from local businesses with over \$70 in savings including:

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| Arby's | Bunny's Tavern | D.P. Dough | El Toro Bravo | Esquire Lounge |
| Honda/BMW of Champaign | Hickory River Smokehouse | McDonald's | Rafters Draft & Dough | |
| Old Orchard Lanes & Links | Old Time Meat & Deli Shoppe | Reynolds Towing Service | | |

Over \$1,000 Raised at AIM Pancake Breakfast!



The Rantoul Knights of Columbus and the Advocates in Motion (AIM) Self Advocacy group joined forces for another successful fundraiser on June 3rd. AIM and the Knights served up a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, and fruit, raising over a thousand dollars in just three hours! The money raised will go towards their annual trip to Springfield for the Speak Up Speak Out Summit, a statewide advocacy conference. Advocates in Motion would like to thank everyone who came to the breakfast, and the Rantoul Knights of Columbus for their generosity and friendship!

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A Message from Chief Executive Officer, Dale Morrissey...

Every three years, DSC goes through a recertification process for The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL). CQL provides accreditation, training, certification, and customized consultation to human service organizations and systems that share their vision of dignity, opportunity and community for all people. This four-day process is very intensive, thorough, and involves every aspect and stakeholder group of DSC.

Activities include presentations covering DSC mission, vision, values, services, workforce, current priorities and success stories. Opinions and experiences are sought from self-advocates, families and guardians, DSC staff and board. Additionally, surveyors review each of CQL's Basic Assurance Factors with staff to evaluate how DSC is meeting these factors. The 10 factors include:

1. Rights
2. Dignity and Respect
3. Natural Supports
4. Abuse
5. Best Possible Health
6. Safe Environment
7. Staff Resources and Support
8. Positive Services/Supports
9. Continuity and Personal Security
10. Basic Assurance System

Further, CQL seeks to assure the people receiving DSC services are reaching their Personal Outcomes Measures by reviewing documentation then meets again with the organization's stakeholders and finishes with DSC's Leadership Team to provide feedback from the first three days of the survey. Day four is reserved for DSC to present to the CQL Team our draft of a working document of "What Really Matters".

There is a great deal of preparation and organization that goes into this four-day recertification process, but it is very exciting to review the successes of the people we are serving. It also provides an opportunity for DSC to grow and continue striving for the best service delivery possible and offers a moment of reflection on the quality of services we provide.

It is with pleasure and pride that I share DSC recertification for the next three years. While this is a nice milestone to have behind us, it provides the vision and determination to continue finding ways to improve and make the lives of those seeking our services the best ever.

Until next time,

Dale

DSC Foundation

DSC is very excited to share news about the DSC Foundation. Our longstanding foundation has recently created an endowment that will directly benefit DSC. Due to a recent bequest to DSC and some matching funds, the DSC Foundation was able to create this endowment fund – something that has been a long-term goal of the organization. The resources invested in the endowment will serve as additional support to the organization for decades to come.

As we share this exciting news, the time is more important than ever for DSC to continue to add to this endowment through additional planned gifts, such as, but not limited to, bequests, gifts of real estate, mandatory retirement distributions, and as a beneficiary of life insurance.

If you are ready to include DSC in your will, the following statement may be shared with your advisor to designate a legacy bequest for the children and adults receiving services at DSC. Developmental Services Center, Champaign, IL, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation: "I give, devise, and bequeath to the DSC Foundation (37-1023944) of Champaign, IL, a charitable not-for-profit organization, the sum of _____ dollars (\$____) or ____ percent (____%) of my estate to be used to carry out its mission."

If you are interested in learning more about how you can help assure the longevity of DSC by mentioning DSC in your will, please contact Janice McAteer, Director of Development, at jmcaateer@dsc-illinois.org or 217-398-7110. To view or download a copy of DSC's Planned Giving Opportunities Brochures, please go to this link http://www.dsc-illinois.org/get_involved/Leave_A_Legacy.html. Contact your tax professional for more specific tax information.

DSC Receives Donation from Express Employment!



In April, Express Employment Professional's Lynn Yoerk presented DSC with a check for \$500. The donation came as a result of Express Employment Professional's Corporate Impact Project. Thank you, Express Employment Professionals!

Pictured left Janice McAteer and Lynn Yoerk

DSC Horse Group Visits Gordyville

One of our groups in Employment Services has been learning about horses. Several people in the group are interested in animals. They took a trip to Gordyville and a small farm in the Bloomington, IL area. To prepare, the group has been studying equine behavior and care. Here in Illinois, agriculture and animal sciences touch many lives and aspects of our community.



Honoring DSC Parents

In celebration of Mother's and Father's Day, we honored DSC moms and dads for Meet Me On Mondays. Although we can only highlight a few here, we want you to know that we recognize all of parents within our DSC community and want to thank you for all that you do! You can read the full stories on our website:



Debbie and Tobie Wood



David and Brittany Happ

Read the full stories on our website:
http://www.dsc-illinois.org/programs_services/success_stories.html/



Connie Smith, Production Crew Leader for DSC, celebrated her 40th employment anniversary with DSC on June 1st. Connie started her employment with DSC as a workshop aide. Connie has worked in DSC's Business Operations Program since first joining DSC in 1978. Thank you for your commitment to DSC and congratulations Connie!

DSC Program Director Receives Hearts of Gold Award!



(Pictured Left to Right: Patty Walters, Dale Morrissey, Janice McAteer, and Vickie Tolf of DSC and Joan Dixon from the Community Foundation of East Central Illinois)

DSC Program Assurance Director, Vickie Tolf, was one of seven local recipients of the Hearts of Gold Award. The annual award was presented by the Community Foundation of East Central Illinois in May. Each year, the organization seeks out nominations from the community, specifically looking for candidates who are making a difference. Vickie was nominated by DSC colleagues who shared that "We are all better people by knowing her. Vickie truly has a heart of gold! She gives unconditionally and doesn't recognize her own giving nature as extraordinary-to her, it's just what you do!" Congratulations, Vickie on this outstanding achievement!

Parkland Men's Soccer Team Muscles Through Rock



We can always use the extra help with maintaining landscaping and grounds around our apartments, offices and residential group homes this time of the year. The Parkland Men's Soccer Team helped us spread 20 ton of rock at Kathryn, one of our Residential Group Homes. Thanks, guys!!



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Vision: *Striving to assure that every person lives a full life in the community.*

SAVE THE DATE



Saturday, October 6, 2018

Do You Have Cardboard, Papers and Magazines Cluttering Up Your House?

Well we have just the thing for you! DSC Business Operations center recycles all kinds of cardboard and paper - including magazines, catalogs, office paper, etc. - as part of our effort to keep the environment clean and financially support DSC's programs. (We do not accept books at this time).

You can bring your recyclable paper to DSC's Business Operations at **3102 W Clark Rd in Champaign, 8am-4pm, M-F**. From Duncan, turn west onto Clark Rd (just north of Springfield). Turn right to go behind DSC's Business Operations facility to drop off your items at the back loading dock door.

