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THE QUARTERLY UPDATE

GASTON RESIDENTIAL SERVICES
 MAKING A GOOD COMMUNITY BETTER
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From The ED: by Darlene Norton

I HOPE EVERYONE IS ENJOYING THE COOLER FALL WEATHER AND THAT THIS NEWSLETTER FINDS YOU WELL.

EVERYONE WAS DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO HAVE OUR ANNUAL PICNIC AGAIN THIS YEAR. WE HAVE ALREADY RESERVED THE PARK FOR NEXT YEAR AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE DAYS WHEN WE CAN GATHER TOGETHER AGAIN.

WHILE WE STRUGGLE TO RECOVER FROM THIS SEEMINGLY ENDLESS PANDEMIC, WE TRY TO ASSURE LOTS OF GREAT ADVENTURES CONTINUE TO HAPPEN FOR THE PEOPLE WE SERVE. WE ALSO CELEBRATED OUR WONDERFUL STAFF THIS QUARTER DURING DSP WEEK, AS YOU WILL SEE THROUGHOUT THIS NEWSLETTER.

WE ARE ALWAYS GRATEFUL FOR OUR LOYAL AND DEDICATED STAFF. GRS HAS STRUGGLED TO HIRE NEW STAFF THROUGH THE PANDEMIC. YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THAT THERE IS A STAFFING SHORTAGE ACROSS THE NATION AND ACROSS INDUSTRIES. WE CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARDS ATTAINING AS MANY QUALIFIED STAFF AS POSSIBLE AND APPRECIATE THE UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT FROM THE PEOPLE WE SERVE AND FAMILIES THROUGHOUT THIS CRISIS.

IN THE SPIRIT OF OPTIMISM, WE ARE PLANNING TO HAVE OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY BALL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 AT 6PM. LOOKING FORWARD, WE ALSO PLAN TO HOST OUR VIVA LAS VEGAS FUNDRAISING EVENT ON MARCH 18, 2022. BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR INFORMATION ON THESE TWO EVENTS.

AS ALWAYS, TAKE CARE UNTIL NEXT TIME,

Darlene



GRS ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE

In August, the advisory teamed up with GRS' Recreation Department to host a Chair One Fitness class. Chair One Fitness is a nationally accredited chair exercise program that provides total body work out while creating a fun upbeat atmosphere. The class was enjoyed by all who attended.



The Advisory Council would like to give a sincere thank you to everyone who donated towards the August 2021 Backpack Drive. Our goal was 5 backpacks and because of your generosity we were able to donate 12 backpacks full of school supplies and another box of school supplies to be added towards other backpacks! Our donation went towards the giving of 96 backpacks to children in Gastonia on August 10th.



CARF Survey Dates:
 December 15, 2021 to
 December 17, 2021



Highlights from REC

HONEY HUNTERS

Take me out to the ball game....

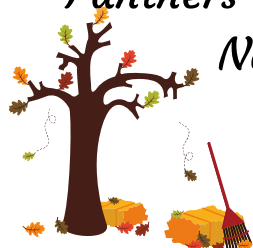


ROAD TRIP!

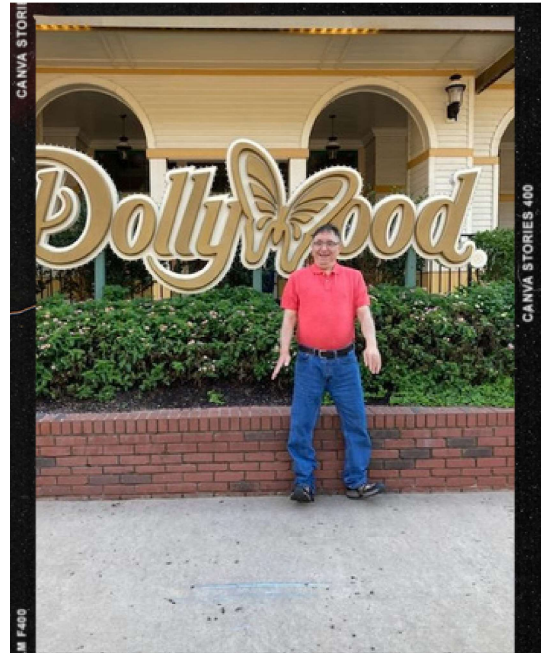
On the way to Lake Lure....



Tony received a letter from an adult day program in Ohio asking for recipients to take pictures with their mascot "Beatrix" to different locations around the world. To the right is Tony posing in front of one of his favorite locations, the Panthers Stadium in Charlotte, North Carolina.



Remembering the good times.



From North Carolina to South Carolina to Tennessee.



HAPPY WORKAVERSARY

July - September 2021

20+ years

Darlene Norton
Teresa Dunovant
Cynthia Simpson
Jennifer Putnam

15+ years

Nathan Christianson

10+ years

Millette Mills
Trina Dacus
Kathy Schronce

5+ years

Kathy Endicott

*Thank!
You!*



Special Thanks to Bob Ireland for hosting the class.



MANAGEMENT TRAINING 2021

Managers and Clinical Staff got the chance to attend a training class to sharpen up their skills.

Thank you all for participating during the class.

*Celebrating
Milestones*



**Congratulations to
Shamia Borders, Nurse
at GRS for receiving her
license in Practical
Nursing.**



BATTLE OF THE HOUSES

DSP Week September 13-19



Fairview -Light Blue Cherryville - Cherry Red Belmont - Blue Forestbrook: Forest Green



Franklin: Fuchsia Pink Springdale: Yellow York Chester - Orange Laurel Lane: Lavender



Drum Roll
Please...
The Winner
of the
2021 Battle of
the
Houses:



STAR STAFF AWARDS

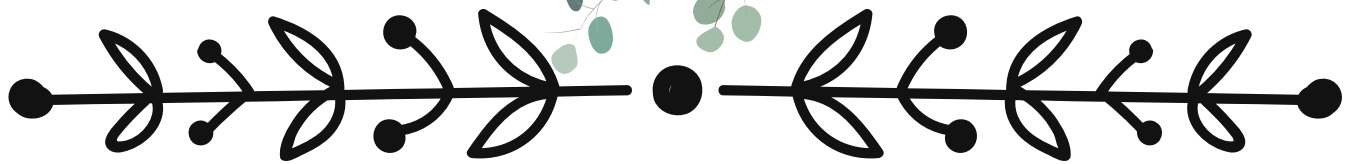
September 13-19

Congratulations to our GRS Star Staff
Winners and Nominees 2021!

"Hard worker", "dedicated", "positive attitude", "caring", "leader" - these are just some of the words taken from nomination letters that describe this year's nominees and award recipients.

Thank you for being all of that, and more,
for the people that we serve!





Save
the
date

Viva Las
Vegas
March 18,
2022



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE GRS FALL FESTIVAL

GOURDGEOUS DAY IN THE LOT

WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER

**GAMES | PRIZES | PUMPKIN PAINTING
DANCING | SMORES BY THE FIRE & MORE!**

**GRS LOWER PARKING LOT
905 N NEW HOPE RD. GASTONIA 28054**

10:00- 11:30 Cherryville, 3rd Ave.

11:30-1:00 Belmont, Kimbrell, 2nd Ave.

1:30-3:00 Forestbrook, Willow, Springdale

3:00-4:30 Gardner Park, York Chester, Meek

4:30-6:00 Franklin, Fairview, Laurel Lane



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