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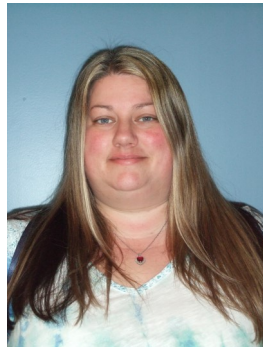
Hometown Heroes



Mount Aloysius was proud to sponsor Hometown Heroes hosted by The Perry County Tribune this summer. The Tribune put a spin on the traditional Hometown Heroes submission, and this year due to the pandemic, asked for nominees for restaurant employees, grocery store workers, truck drivers, care givers, etc. At Mount Aloysius, we think of all of our staff as Heroes. Since we could not single out one employee to nominate, we asked staff to vote on employees who had stepped up and went above the call of duty during the pandemic. Congratulations to the following staff members who were nominated to be Hometown Heroes: Darrell Dingess, DSP; Tiffany Hambel, LPN; Penny Norris, Activity Specialist; Kerri Woodgeard, LPN; and John Woofter, Shift Supervisor. Each of these Heroes were featured in a special edition of the Perry County Tribune. We would also like to congratulate and thank all of the Mount Aloysius Staff - You are ALL HEROES In Our Eyes! Thank you for your dedication, not only to the men, but to the Facility!



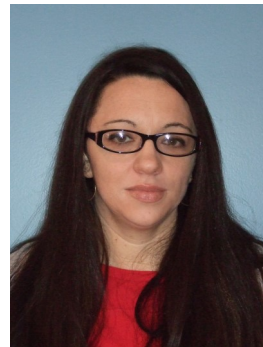
Darrell Dingess



Tiffany Hambel



Penny Norris



Kerri Woodgeard



John Woofter

Memorial Tree Planted

A tree was planted this summer in memory of Mike Marsh, former resident of Mount Aloysius. His family purchased the tree to plant in his memory along with a plaque.

*There's a very special garden where the trees of memory grow,
Nurtured by the kindness and concern that good friends show.
The roots are cherished memories of good times in the past,
The branches tender promises that souls endure and last.
-- Author Unknown*



Mike Marsh



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Mount Aloysius Board of Director's & CEO Update **Submitted by Justin Gall, CEO**

Together, we are in a truly extraordinary situation as the national pandemic is affecting all our personal and professional lives. First and foremost, I hope you and your families are safe. This pandemic has challenged each of us to examine how we must modify our daily rituals and routines and focus on how we interact with one another and still achieve exceptional quality of care. Our staff took on this challenge and in creative ways reached each of our residents to ensure they developed new rituals and routines, were able to understand why things are now different and kept them active in order to navigate their new environment. Our staff were and are still Heroes in our eyes and cannot be appreciated enough for their hard work and dedication to the men of Mount Aloysius.

Although the pandemic is upon us, we have maintained our momentum and continue to move projects and initiatives forward. Earlier this year, we put our strategic plan into action and began the process of rebranding and reintroducing Mount Aloysius to our local and surrounding communities. We are striving to be the premier service provider in Southeast Ohio and have developed a strong plan to expand services in the upcoming year. We are also excited to announce, Mount Aloysius has adopted a new Mission and Vision and outlined core Values that clearly define what we do, where we are going, and what we see in every person we meet.

Vision: To provide exceptional and compassionate care for all individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

Mission: In partnership with family and the community; support, protect and enrich the health and well-being of all individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

Core Values:

Create Partnerships
Respect Differences

Lead by Example
Promote Strengths

Listen Effectively
Align with People

With all staff believing and portraying these values, Mount Aloysius will be the leader in our area.

We have also completed 10 capital improvement projects this year. Our primary focus was on the Activity Center to ensure it was fully functional and user friendly. Listed below are just a few of the investments we have made this year:

New Security Cameras – Facility wide
Heat Pump Replacements – Main Building
New Walk in Freezer – Main Building
Activity Center Restroom remodel

Activity Center Air Conditioning
Activity Center flooring, ceiling, and lights
Activity Center Windows

Finally, I regret to inform you, we will be postponing Family Day which was scheduled for September 27, 2020. Due to specific requirements surrounding visitation, group sizes, and visitors coming from other states, we do not feel we can safely host this event. We are hopeful restrictions will lesson and we will be able to reschedule Family Day in early 2021.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to myself, Shannon, or Kim with any questions, suggestions, or comments. We welcome your input.

Justin Gall, CEO
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Assistant Director of Nursing



Jenny Doyle was promoted to Assistant Director of Nursing on June 15, 2020. Jenny began working at Mount Aloysius as a LPN in August 2016. Jenny graduated from Mid-East Career & Technology Center. Prior to starting her employment at Mount Aloysius, Jenny worked as a

habilitation staff for a group home provider and later was promoted to a supervisor. Jenny has three older brothers and one younger sister. She also has a daughter who will be celebrating her first birthday at the end of September. Congratulations, Jenny!

St. Aloysius Academy Memorabilia Donated

In June, Richard Curry, former student at St. Aloysius Military Academy, donated his tunic from the academy. Pictured below Richard Curry with Justin Gall, CEO.



Memorial Flag Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Memorial Flag Drive this year! 42 flags were purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one! Proceeds from the drive go towards the Resident Christmas Gift Fund.



Appreciation Lunches

We received several donations from family members and Board members this summer for appreciation lunches for staff. Thank you for your kindness! The staff really appreciated the lunches.

Amazon Smile

Do you frequently shop at Amazon? Mount Aloysius is registered as a charitable organization on Amazon Smile. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible Amazon Smile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. To select Mount Aloysius as your charity of choice, simply type in this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1432284>. Shoppers must use Amazon Smile each time they shop in order for the selected charity to receive a portion of eligible purchases.

Kroger Community Rewards

Mount Aloysius Corp. is enrolled in the Kroger's Community Rewards Program. This program links purchases made with your Kroger's Plus Card to Mount Aloysius Corp. so that a portion of the sale is donated back to Mount Aloysius. In order to enroll in this program, you will need to go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com, click create an account. Enter your e-mail address and password. Enter Plus Card #. Go to Community Rewards (near bottom) and follow the steps. Enter the group # for Mount Aloysius, SM463, or part of the name of the organization. Choose the correct organization. Click Enroll.

This is a great way to support the facility, just by buying groceries or gift cards at Kroger. More details regarding the program are explained on the Kroger's Community Rewards website.



Vance Clarke

Here's Looking At You!



Carl Jones



Mike Tafoya &
Daniel Fuller



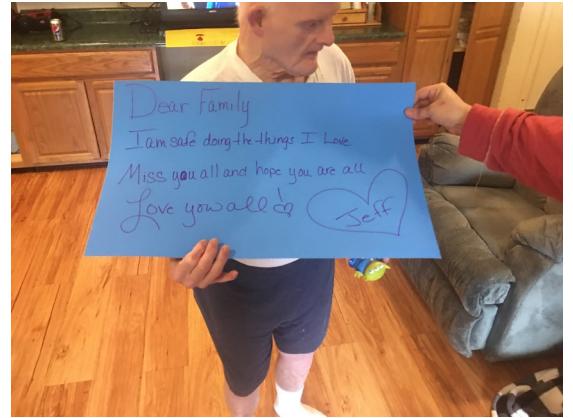
Melvin Hollenback



Jeff Penson



Steve Berzon



Jeff Liggett



Mark Gordon



Dan Williams



John Leckrone

Options Unlimited Update Submitted by Marissa Vegeto

We are so happy to announce we are back up and running our Options program. We have a select amount of residents coming over daily, and we keep them socially distanced. They are so happy to be back at our program, and we are just as happy to have their smiling faces back.

Our Woodshop has been revamped, and we have several new and improved wood crafts that the men have made with lots of time and love. All the crafts are available for purchase (see picture below). This picture is also available on our Facebook page for better viewing! If you would like to place an order or have any questions, please feel free to contact Marissa Vegeto, Day Service Coordinator, at (740) 342-3343 ext. 291.

We have recently reopened our pool and have 3 new certified lifeguards that we have welcomed to our team. This is great news as it gives the men more swimming time when they want it.

Although our community garden wasn't able to be opened to the public this year, we grew our own fruits and vegetables and the men thoroughly enjoyed coming out and helping plant, water, weed, and then harvest the final products.

We have done many nature walks with the guys, scavenger hunts, outside picnics, cornhole, and many other fun activities to keep them active during this trying time.

We are looking forward to the holidays and making them memorable for the men!



We Miss Our Family & Friends!



Scott Berzon



Kaki Garcia-Velez



Don Amrine



T.J. Funk



Pat Yahner



Don Brown



Stoney Gordon



Chip Tye



John Frease

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Congratulations to the following employees who recently celebrated employment anniversaries:

10 Years

Penny Norris, Activity Specialist

5 Years

George Earley, Janitorial Services
David Hutton, Janitorial Services
Tiffany Lafferty, Shift Supervisor
John Purcell, Janitorial Services
Lena Stoltz, DSP

1 Year

Clara Fiore, DSP
Hannah Hart, DSP
Angela Hynus, DSP
Debra Mock, Dietary
Stacey Mullins, DSP
Rita Ratliffe, Program Director
Rodger Rose, Maintenance

WELCOME NOTE

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome new staff:

Daniel Fuller, Greenhouse Helper
Dorothy Patton, LPN
Elijah Rader, Lifeguard
Andrea Touchton, Options
Quentin Webb, Lifeguard

Direct Support Professionals

Aliena Caldwell, Charlie Cole,
Karlee Crotzer, Shanah Dagan,
Nathaniel Emory, Peggy Grubb,
Jackson Hennessy, Victoria Howard,
George Lee Jr, Sydney Meadows,
Waylon Montgrain, Misty Poling,
Melissa Poston, Haley Smith,
Jennifer Smith, & Natalie Walker

We are glad to have you with us!

Happy Birthday to our Residents!

September

5 - Mitchell Paul
6 - Jim Sheeter
9 - Steve VerHulst
11 - Dale Stover
16 - David Sears
19 - Brian Dougherty
28 - Glenn Belluscio

October

3 - Bradley Tindall
4 - John Leckrone
10 - T.J. Funk
Tim Raymond
31 - Mike Chapman
Greg Stuhldreher

November

1 - John Guira
Rory Thomas
12 - Terry Householder
28 - Scott Davies
30 - Jim Anderson



UPCOMING Events

October

31 - Halloween

November

3 - Election Day
11 - Veteran's Day
26 - Thanksgiving
No Options or PerCo
27 - No Options

December

1 - Hanging of the Greens
24 - Christmas Eve
25 - Christmas Day
No Options or PerCo
31 - New Year's Eve

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