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CELEBRATING GROWTH, COMMUNITY, AND NEW BEGINNINGS

WE CANNOT BELIEVE IT IS ALREADY FEBRUARY. THE YEAR HAS STARTED WITH INCREDIBLE ENERGY, MEANINGFUL MILESTONES, AND UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS FOR OUR MOONLIGHT FAMILY. FROM RED CARPET EVENTS TO SNOWY ADVENTURES, FROM HEALTH VICTORIES TO VACATIONS IN THE SUN, OUR INDIVIDUALS CONTINUE TO INSPIRE US EVERY SINGLE DAY. BELOW ARE SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS FROM JANUARY THROUGH MID-FEBRUARY.

YOUR PARAGRAPH TEXT

A NIGHT TO SHINE

FEBRUARY BEGAN WITH ELEGANCE, CONFIDENCE, AND CELEBRATION AT THE NIGHT TO SHINE EVENT. OUR INDIVIDUALS DRESSED TO IMPRESS AND TRULY EMBRACED THE MOMENT. RAYNE, SARAH, SANDY, NEHEMIAH, CHAD, CHRIS AND RANDY ABSOLUTELY OWNED THE NIGHT AND LOOKED SPIFFY. THEY WORKED CLOSELY WITH STAFF TO CHOOSE THEIR OUTFITS, GET THEIR HAIR AND MAKEUP DONE, AND PREPARE FOR THE EVENT WITH EXCITEMENT AND PRIDE. THEY SELECTED BEAUTIFUL, EXQUISITE ATTIRE AND CONFIDENTLY “WORKED THE ROOM.” WATCHING THEM STEP INTO THAT SPACE WITH JOY AND SELF-ASSURANCE REMINDED US WHY COMMUNITY INCLUSION MATTERS SO DEEPLY. THE SMILES, THE MUSIC, THE LAUGHTER, AND THE DANCING MADE THIS A NIGHT NONE OF US WILL FORGET. BE SURE TO ENJOY THE PHOTOS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.








SNOW DAYS DONE RIGHT

WHILE MANY STAYED INDOORS DURING JANUARY’S SNOWSTORM, SOME OF OUR INDIVIDUALS SAW IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FUN.

NIC WAS CAPTURED JOYFULLY JUMPING INTO THE SNOW, EMBRACING THE WINTER WEATHER WITH PURE HAPPINESS. OTHERS WENT OUTSIDE FOR SNOW WALKS, BUILT MINI SNOW STRUCTURES, MADE SNOW ANGELS, AND ENJOYED WARM DRINKS AFTERWARD. SNOWSTORMS MAY SLOW THE WORLD DOWN, BUT THEY DID NOT STOP OUR INDIVIDUALS FROM MAKING MEMORIES.



KAIDENCE: PUSHING LIMITS

KAIDENCE’S JOURNEY AT MOONLIGHT HAS HAD ITS CHALLENGES, BUT HER PERSISTENCE IS INSPIRING. SHE CONTINUES TO PUSH HER LIMITS AND RECENTLY ACHIEVED SOMETHING REMARKABLE.

SHE IS NOW PARTICIPATING IN SPECIAL OLYMPICS SWIMMING IN COLUMBUS AND WILL BE COMPETING THIS FRIDAY. HER GROWTH, DEDICATION, AND RESILIENCE REFLECT HER COMMITMENT TO REACHING NEW HEIGHTS.

WE ARE SO PROUD OF HER.



SUCCESS SPOTLIGHT: NATE’S JOURNEY

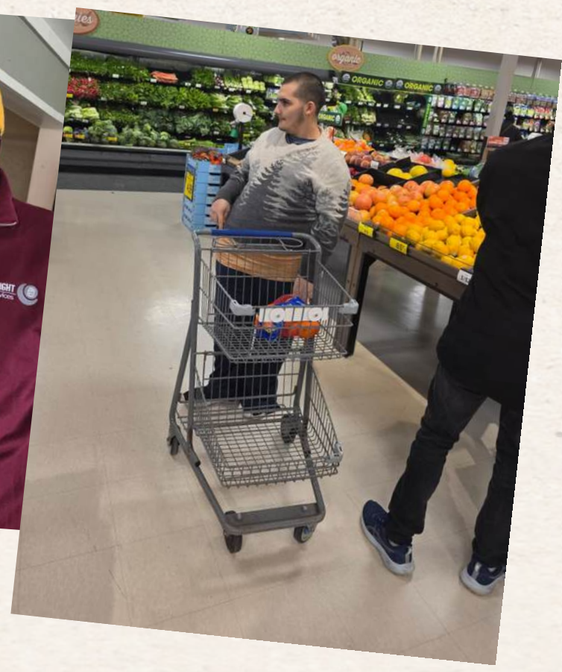
WHEN NATE FIRST JOINED MOONLIGHT, WE KNEW THE ROAD AHEAD WOULD REQUIRE DEDICATION AND TEAMWORK. HE CAME TO US WITH SIGNIFICANT BEHAVIORAL CHALLENGES, AND THERE WERE CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER HE COULD BE SUPPORTED LONG TERM.

WE MADE THE DECISION TO WELCOME NATE INTO THE MOONLIGHT FAMILY. INITIALLY, COMMUNITY OUTINGS WERE DIFFICULT DUE TO HIS NEED FOR CONSTANT SUPERVISION. TODAY, NATE ATTENDS ADULT DAY SERVICES THREE DAYS PER WEEK, PARTICIPATES IN GROCERY SHOPPING, ENGAGES IN COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR LONGER PERIODS OF TIME, AND REMAINS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN ACTIVITIES THAT ONCE SEEMED OUT OF REACH.

ONE OF THE MOST REMARKABLE OUTCOMES IS THAT NATE HAS NOT VISITED ST. CHARLES SINCE TRANSITIONING TO MOONLIGHT, DESPITE BEING CONSIDERED A FREQUENT VISITOR PREVIOUSLY.

THIS TRANSFORMATION HAS BEEN A TEAM EFFORT. HIS FAMILY, BOARD REPRESENTATIVES, AND HIS BEHAVIOR SPECIALIST, JOHN POREIST, HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL PARTNERS IN THIS JOURNEY. THERE IS STILL PROGRESS AHEAD, BUT NATE AND HIS TEAM REMAIN OPTIMISTIC AND COMMITTED TO HELPING HIM LIVE A MEANINGFUL, QUALITY LIFE.





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EXPANDING INDEPENDENCE: NMT SERVICES LAUNCH

WE OFFICIALLY BEGAN PROVIDING NON-MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION (NMT) SERVICES FOR SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THIS MONTH, AND THE TRANSITION HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING.

THIS SERVICE HAS ALLOWED INDIVIDUALS TO REMAIN ACTIVE AFTER WORK, SPEND MORE TIME WITH PEERS, AND PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY OUTINGS BEYOND SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS. WHAT WE ARE SEEING IS MORE THAN TRANSPORTATION. WE ARE SEEING CONNECTION, INDEPENDENCE, AND CONFIDENCE GROW.

THE ABILITY TO STAY OUT A LITTLE LONGER, GRAB DINNER WITH FRIENDS, OR ATTEND ACTIVITIES AFTER WORK HAS PROVEN INCREDIBLY REWARDING FOR THOSE WE SUPPORT.

TRAVEL & ADVENTURE UPDATES

CHAD IN MARCO ISLAND

CHAD IS CURRENTLY VACATIONING IN MARCO ISLAND, FLORIDA, FOR TWO WEEKS. THIS HAS BEEN A COORDINATED EFFORT BETWEEN MOONLIGHT, HIS FAMILY, AND THE BOARD. VACATIONING IN FLORIDA WAS ONE OF CHAD'S ANNUAL GOALS, AND WE ARE PROUD TO SEE IT CONTINUE YEAR AFTER YEAR.

DURING HIS STAY, CHAD ENJOYS DINING OUT, SWIMMING, SPENDING TIME WITH FAMILY, RELAXING IN THE SUN, AND EXPLORING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING PHOTOS FROM HIS TIME AWAY.

CHRIS PLANNING HAWAII

AFTER AN UNFORGETTABLE TRIP TO TENNESSEE LAST YEAR, CHRIS IS PLANNING HIS NEXT ADVENTURE TO HAWAII. WE ARE EXCITED TO SUPPORT HIM AS HE WORKS TOWARD THIS GOAL AND LOOK FORWARD TO HELPING MAKE ANOTHER DREAM TRIP A REALITY.





SYLVIA'S HEALTH VICTORY

SYLVIA'S HEALTH JOURNEY CONTINUES TO INSPIRE EVERYONE AROUND HER. WHEN SHE CAME TO MOONLIGHT, WE WERE TOLD SHE MIGHT NEVER RETURN TO EATING REGULAR FOOD AND WOULD REMAIN TUBE FED INDEFINITELY.

THROUGH PERSISTENCE, MEDICAL COORDINATION, AND HER OWN DETERMINATION, SYLVIA HAS MADE TREMENDOUS PROGRESS. SHE IS NOW DOWN TO ONE TUBE FEEDING PER DAY AND CONTINUES WORKING TOWARD FULL INDEPENDENCE WITH MEALS.

SYLVIA IS SPIRITED, DETERMINED, SOMETIMES STUBBORN IN THE BEST WAY, AND ALWAYS CLEAR ABOUT WHAT SHE WANTS. WE LOVE HER DEARLY AND CELEBRATE EVERY STEP OF HER PROGRESS.

VALENTINE'S BOWLING TOURNAMENT

OUR VALENTINE'S BOWLING TOURNAMENT BROUGHT TOGETHER INDIVIDUALS FROM WOOD COUNTY AND LUCAS COUNTY FOR A FUN, INCLUSIVE EVENT FILLED WITH ENERGY AND CONNECTION. FOR SOME INDIVIDUALS WHO TYPICALLY AVOID LARGE GATHERINGS DUE TO SOCIAL ANXIETY, THIS WAS A BREAKTHROUGH MOMENT. SEVERAL ATTENDED AND PARTICIPATED IN A LARGE SOCIAL EVENT FOR THE FIRST TIME.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS:

- 🥇 **RYAN – FIRST PLACE**
- 🥈 **CAMERON – SECOND PLACE**
- 🥉 **KAIDENCE – THIRD PLACE**

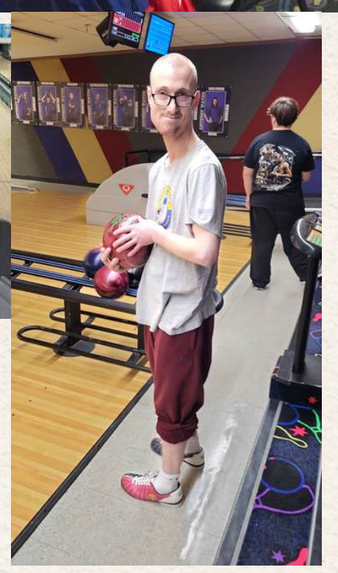
EACH WINNER RECEIVED A SPECIAL MOONLIGHT PRIZE PACKAGE. IT WAS A DAY FILLED WITH CHEERING, LAUGHTER, AND COMMUNITY.











WHAT'S NEXT: CREATIVITY & CONNECTION

WE ARE EXCITED TO HOST:

- MOVIE NIGHT
- KARAOKE NIGHT
- ARTS WORKSHOP

THESE EVENTS WILL ALLOW INDIVIDUALS TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES CREATIVELY, EXPLORE ARTISTIC SKILLS, AND CONTINUE BUILDING MEANINGFUL FRIENDSHIPS.

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☀️ LOOKING AHEAD: SUMMER PLANNING

IT MAY BE FEBRUARY, BUT SUMMER PLANNING HAS ALREADY BEGUN.

🏝️ PUT-IN-BAY (2-DAY TRIP)

OUR INDIVIDUALS HAVE COLLECTIVELY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN A TWO-DAY TRIP TO PUT-IN-BAY THIS SUMMER. IN THE PAST, THIS HAS BEEN AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE. INDIVIDUALS RENT A LARGE AIRBNB WITH STAFF, EXPLORE THE ISLAND, ENJOY WATERFRONT VIEWS, GO SHOPPING, DINE OUT, VISIT PERRY'S CAVE, TOUR THE LIGHTHOUSE, AND PARTICIPATE IN GROUP BONDING ACTIVITIES.

PLANNING IS UNDERWAY. ONCE FINALIZED, WE WILL NOTIFY GUARDIANS AND COORDINATE PARTICIPATION.

🎢 CEDAR POINT DAY TRIP

WE ARE ALSO PLANNING A ONE-DAY CEDAR POINT TRIP IN MAY. GUARDIANS WILL BE CONTACTED AS DETAILS ARE FINALIZED.

STAFF RECOGNITION: INNOCENT

WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE INNOCENT, HOUSE MANAGER IN WOOD COUNTY, FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION. HE PROVIDES STRONG SUPERVISION, MAINTAINS A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR STAFF, AND ENSURES THE INDIVIDUALS IN HIS HOME RECEIVE CONSISTENT AND COMPASSIONATE SUPPORT.

HIS TEAM APPRECIATES HIM, AND THE INDIVIDUALS ENJOY HIS PRESENCE AND GUIDANCE. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR HIS CONTINUED COMMITMENT.

📊 GUARDIAN SURVEY COMING SOON

AS PART OF OUR QUALITY ASSURANCE AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT EFFORTS, WE WILL BE SENDING OUT AN ANONYMOUS SURVEY TO ALL GUARDIANS.

YOUR FEEDBACK IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO US. IT HELPS US IDENTIFY STRENGTHS, AREAS FOR GROWTH, AND OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE.

PLEASE BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR THE SURVEY AND TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO COMPLETE IT. YOUR VOICE MATTERS.

AS ALWAYS, WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR OUR INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS. THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE MOONLIGHT FAMILY.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING MORE EXCITING MOMENTS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.

WITH APPRECIATION,

MOONLIGHT CARE SERVICES LLC



