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PKT ENTERPRISES

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Investing in the Lives of People

PKT's Mission:

Working together with integrity to provide quality care, support, and life enriching opportunities to persons with disabilities, in an environment fostering growth and independence, while upholding and maintaining a viable, ethical, and moral business, treating everyone with respect, compassion, and dignity.

FEATURED HOME - PINK HOUSE

The **Pink House** is excited to welcome **Bob E.**, our newest resident!

Bob, who has been a PKT SLS client since 2009, has spent most of his time at **1290**, then the **Brick House**. But since October of last year, he has been living the life of a bachelor here at the **Pink House**. When he's not working hard on the janitorial crew at MSS, Bob likes playing Rummy 500 with his housemates and watching classic westerns in the basement video lounge. (Pop Quiz: When is John Wayne's birthday?*) The staff and residents at Pink House love having Bob living here. He brings a dry "wise-old-man" sense of humor and a friendly smile wherever he goes. We're glad we get to see it every day.

Mike M. is still the diligent worker at Pink House. He just finished a 15 year contract with the Kelly Inn and is now working with Kaposia to find his next exciting employment venture. Every afternoon, you can find Mike working hard at Candyland in downtown Saint Paul. When Mike finally decides to take a break, he sits with a coffee at his favorite Starbucks and schmoozes the baristas for free refills. But Mike doesn't rest for long! Every Wednesday and Saturday, he's roller skating at Saint's North Arena. If you decide to go visit him when he's out skating, just look for the blur flying around on the roller rink.

Bill S. has been busy with fun activities to shake off the doldrums of this past winter. Over Christmas, he bought himself a nice new suit and toured the local theaters with Ventures Travel to take in all the holiday shows. He cheered on the Minnesota Wild at three games and is already geared up for the Minnesota Twins season this summer. When his calendar is less full, Bill likes to take in a movie or go roller skating with Mike.

The last Pink House gentleman likes to keep a busy schedule as well. In March, he was offered a job working on a cleaning crew with TSE, as well as attending the work site three days a week. On Tuesdays, he takes woodworking and cooking classes at the SEED Program in Saint Paul. When he's not busy with work or class, he likes to kick back in his recliner and watch a movie from his 200+ VHS collection.

Now that summer is here, the Pink House men are looking forward to movies in the park, camping up the North Shore, and hosting barbeques for other PKT residents. Hope to see you all there!

Tim Sullivan, Pink House Coordinator



* May 26, 1907

FEATURED HOME - BRICK HOUSE

Life at the **Brick House** continues to flourish. As the four ladies who live there see the promising, brighter, warmer and friendly weather forthcoming, their activities and enthusiasms are more visible. They dance, sing, play hopscotch, horseshoe, bug ball, etc. With such activities, the evenings and weekends pass so fast.

Myiessha V. continues to spend her Monday to Friday at MTS day program, where she colors, cleans, waters the garden, does art works, and the like. She comes home, happy and full of news to share with her house mates and her staff. Whenever her week goes on well she earns her rewards to eat at Taco Bell or other places. On her working days she leaves the house exited, dressed in her best, and put make-ups here and there. The climax of her day program is crowned with her check at the end of the pay period; excited she goes to her bank to cash it and buy things that she needs. We are positive that Myiessha enjoys the people she meets at her day program, and at her residence.



Jaci B. would like to tell you “Hi, I am Jaci, if you happen to visit me at the Brick House, I have so many questions to ask you; don’t get bored, I just enjoy hearing your voice in anticipation for some exchange of ideas. I spend my day Monday-Friday at TSE, Inc. doing a lot of stuff for myself and having fun. At least once a week I go out for some shopping to buy treats for myself. Recently I bought a fan to control the heat and humidity of the season. Well, let me be honest with you; I like it better at Brick than my day program; at least I have my treats, have my comforting blanket, get to watch the Weather Channel and alert people about the weather, play with my cards, socialize, listen to my music and play in the yard.”



For **Spidy V.** the Brick House is a place where she relaxes and takes a peaceful and quiet time in a private space at the basement of the house. Working Monday to Friday at Fairview Hospital; which she found through Merrick Inc., Spidy does cleaning related jobs at the hospital. She likes her job and has never missed a day or reported late. Major activities she does for fun includes reading books, going to the library, taking a walk, shopping, watching movies and going out to eat with her boyfriend. Spidy also likes to cook independently or with her staff.

Last but not least; is **Jessica F.** In her own words, last week she told me that “Trust me, I am enjoying the hot weather. I take a lot of walks to and fro in the neighborhood. This helps me to manage my weight. At home I listen to music, watch TV (my favorite ones being Sponge Bob, Court, and Jerry Springer), and talk with friends on the phone. Right now I am considering looking for a job on my own; if not, going back to college and improve my art skills. Yes; I am an artist and I can make a fortune for myself sketching cartoons. Do you want to try me? Come with a dollar or two and I can sketch your face in a minute”.



Well those are the ladies at the Brick House, served by eleven staff.

Amanuel Teklemariam, Brick House Coordinator

STEVE'S SCOOP



Summer is finally here and so has come the rain, storms, and high humidity. I know some folks would say they love all of it, but for me, the humidity is a killer! I would gladly take the Arizona heat over Minnesota humidity any day. Even today, where the projected high in parts of Arizona is 118 degrees!

Speaking of storms...just last week some of the PKT houses were hit, knocking out the power for a few days, falling trees damaging fences, etc. Thank you to all the clients involved, for remaining calm and patient as we waited for the power to come on, and for being OK hanging out at other PKT houses with power or at the hotel room we rented! Thanks to all the staff as well for managing and maneuvering people, food, and such, and thank you **Tennille** and **Jenn**, both Directors not on-call, but who spent hours over the weekend assisting!

Over the last couple of months and in the upcoming ones, PKT has begun exploring options to make us and our Directors and Coordinators more mobile. Very soon we will be switching to new email servers as well as exploring ways to get our documents to a "cloud" based server. All this would allow people to work virtually anywhere without the need to be here in the office. Granted, there would be other things to consider, such as laptops, iPads, and printers, but these 1st steps are exciting to explore and execute. Needless to say, then, as we become more mobile, the requirement for our current office space and its size would no longer be required. Our current lease is up in November and I have been out looking for newer, smaller spaces which would better suit PKT's needs as we go more mobile.

Lastly, starting with this issue, we are changing our bi-monthly newsletter to a quarterly one, with the possibility of a special Holiday edition coming in December.

So, there you have it for now...some of the happenings here at PKT! Thanks to everyone for your continued support AND keep watch for news of our late summer "picnic". I hear **Sharilyn** has some AMAZING ideas sailing around in her head!!



Have a GREAT rest of your summer!



Congratulations to our amazing 2012 Employees of the Year, Rayneshia Nunn and Ryan Tamte. Read about their wonderful accomplishments elsewhere inside this newsletter edition.

Thank You!
Rayneshia Nunn
Management
Employee of the Year
2012

Katherine Fordyce
Matthew Wahl



Runners up:

Congratulations!
Ryan Tamte
Non-Management
Employee of the Year
2012

Chloe Holm
Rachel Newbury

MATT'S MEMO



It's June and we are wondering if the summer of 2013 is going to ever happen. I really hope by the time this newsletter reaches your hands, we are wearing shorts and laughing about the bizarre spring we seem to have had. Speaking of the newsletter, I was thinking about all of the work that goes into getting these articles to your doorstep and how many people here at PKT are involved in the process.

The first and most important step in getting the newsletters out is having "subjects" to write about. Thankfully PKT has tons of enthusiastic clients who are not only willing to open themselves to having articles written about them but they are often times providing insight and ideas on what to write about. Without the clients I can assure you the newsletter would be very bland. Come to think of it, if that were the case, the newsletter would simply be Steve's dreams of a business that is geared towards "enriching the lives of those with developmental disabilities and mental illness" on paper. In other words, without the clients, PKT would be nonexistent. I'm glad that's not the case. ☺

When writing articles we all have our things we like to touch on. **Sharilyn Korte** strives to inform you all of the current happenings from the Financial side of PKT and the clients. **Chris Bastyr** focuses on bringing the spotlight to the In-Home department, and the House Coordinators all take turns bringing us articles featuring each PKT home. They delve deeper into one specific client and write feature articles about them. The Coordinators also look up activities and things that are happening around the Twin Cities for the clients to participate in. Don't forget Steve's article, as he often times writes to let everyone know what's been going on around PKT and what's coming on the horizon for PKT.

But what happens when all the articles are written; surely someone needs to wrap it all up in a nice little bow and send it out in a presentable manner. That credit would go to our talented HR Director **Pat Matt**. Pat works tirelessly at editing all of these jumbled articles into a format that is neat and pleasant to the eye. Pat has also worked hard at giving us ideas on what to write about and how to come up with more meaningful articles that those in the greater PKT community would enjoy learning about and reading.

And lastly, someone must fold, address, and put postage on all of these newsletters. That job has been consistently reserved for one of our PKT clients. In the past it has been a rotation of clients getting involved and coming up to the office to put in a few hours of paid work, but over the last several months we have found a permanent fixture in the newsletter prep department. **C.V.** from the **Pink House** has done an excellent job coming up to the office and preparing the newsletters to get out in a timely manner!

There is a lot that goes into the newsletters; we are so appreciative to the clients for letting people into their lives further with the PKT Press articles and to the supervisors who spend time writing quality columns. It's also important to recognize Pat Matt and C.V. for their hard work and dedication in getting the latest edition sent out. So next time you grab the Press and sit down to read it, think about the time and effort that went into bringing you the happenings we all care so much about.

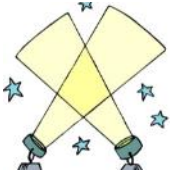
Matt Wahl, SLS Director

OPENINGS UPDATE

PKT always has openings for new clients for the In-Home department. Anyone interested in more information, please contact Tennille Carlson at 612-788-3998 x 114 or Steve Tschacher at 612-788-3998 x 105.

We are now accepting both DD and CADI Waiver clients.

SPOTLIGHTS ON ...

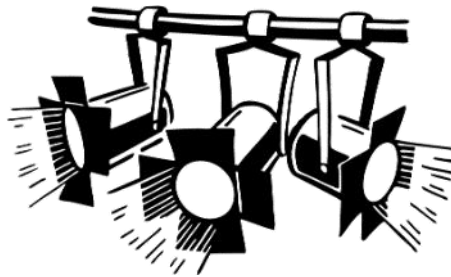


Angie L. can be found most days at the **White House** gathering all the information of the day on her computer, trying to get to that next level in Candy Crush, or on her cell phone checking up on **Matt (Wahl)**.

When I spoke with Angie and asked her what she would like people to know about her she said that she loves to work on her needlepoint, color and read. One thing that Angie said that she wished everyone could know about her is how smart she is. Angie knows a lot about cooking and animals, and would be a great partner in TV trivia. Angie is also a sports fan, and if you've ever been to the house you know that her room is Viking purple and gold, and she enjoys watching the games, even when we're not doing that great! This summer Angie hopes to get to Target Field for a Twins game.

I also asked Angie to tell me five things that would describe her. She told me that she is outgoing, happy, grateful for what she has, she loves the outdoors, and most importantly, loves animals. Something that I have found out about Angie in my time knowing her is that she has a great sense of humor and enjoys getting to know people. So if you are ever in the area, stop over to the White House and say hi.

Laura Rybicki, White House Coordinator



Hello to all, I am here to talk about a very interesting young man at the **Brown House**. His name is **James (Jim) R.** and he loves sports and gaming. Jim can often be found playing on his X-Box or watching sports on TV. He also loves to go to Twins games, which we recently did sitting right behind the opposing teams dugout. We had access to private bathrooms, concessions and a place to get out of the sun (yes the sun did shine that day). Jim seemed to really enjoy the day and stated I will never sit in the cheap seats again, I agreed.



Jim recently purchased a new loft bed making more room in his room. He helped put it together one Saturday with me and the help was greatly appreciated, and he does enjoy helping. Jim likes to cook and really enjoys grilling steaks, brats, pork chops, well ok anything on the grill. Jim works very hard and due to doing this very well he gets a occasional day off and we do enjoy the day.

We recently have hiked in Wisconsin and a great state park. Almost got run over by a big buck while seeing the numerous wildlife and a great waterfall. Jim is a great asset at Brown House, always giving his roommates a smile and asking them how they are doing. To sum him up, I would say he is a great guy to have around, making all in his life feel blessed.

Duane Sundblad, Brown House Coordinator

SHARILYN'S



It's an exciting time for many PKT clients and to be perfectly honest, for me too. What am I talking about you may ask? It's Twins season of course! When the balls start flying and the bats start cracking, it's usually a sign of spring (I stress the USUALLY). After already experiencing one 35 degree game and flurries this season, I know that spring can be a relative term. But like any true Minnesotan, aka Twins fan, a little cold weather won't stop me or PKT clients from wanting to cheer on our team to victory.

Though many of our clients enjoy seeing the Vikings and Wild play, the Twins seem to be the overall favorite. As soon as talk begins about spring training camp, I have clients telling me they want to go to a game or two this season. In the past, we've even had clients go down to spring training camp because they cannot wait for the season to start. Furthermore, I know there are a few PKT Twins' fans I can ask the score to last night's game and they will always be able to tell me who won and the highlights. For those of you who don't know, there are 162 games per season, so this is no small feat.

And lastly, in the past, PKT sent a large group of clients and staff to a Twins game for a day of fun. Since that day, we've had many clients request we do that again, and I am excited to say we have heard the request and are hoping to revive this event this year if cost and time allow. But even if we are not able to send a large group to sing the Twins fight song, I can promise that we will have many individuals there singing it throughout the season, you will just have to watch and listen closely.



Sharilyn Korte, Director of Financial Services

"We're gonna win Twins, we're gonna score! We're gonna win Twins, watch that baseball soar!"

For ongoing fun information, visit official
MN Twins Newsletter signup website:

http://minnesota.twins.mlb.com/min/fan_forum/newsletters.jsp

WELCOME ... PKT would like to extend warm welcomes to ...

Hello, my name is **Linda Fox**. I am the new Coordinator for the **Dark House**. Although I am new to this position I am not new to PKT. I originally was hired in 2009 and have worked as an LSI staff at the Dark House up until this opportunity came along.

I began working with individuals who were developmentally disabled at the age of 16 at a local DAC (Day Activity Center); now we call them day programs or work sites. I have also worked for Ramsey County for 22 years at an old campus style facility where we had 64 clients! I have worked with individuals who had very difficult and challenging behaviors. I also have worked a few years overseeing and supervising a free hot lunch program through the Salvation Army.

My real passion is right here at the Dark House. I am thrilled to be given the opportunity to continue to support, advocate and nurture the folks at PKT #7. They're are a great "bunch" to hang around with. Feel free to contact me anytime, or stop by the Dark House for a visit. I look forward to meeting and working with you all. My office phone number is 612/788-3998 ext. 157.

Linda Fox, Dark House Coordinator

Susie Khaopraseuth is the new **Yellow House Coordinator** who shares her story now. "I've been in the social service field since I graduated from Portland State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice. I wanted to go into law but my career path took a detour when I interned at an alternative school with adjudicated youth.

I first started working with adults with disabilities in 2007 in an ATE (Alternative to Employment) facility where I was a Case Manager. Eventually I became an interpreter to the Lao community, which I continue to enjoy.

So here I am now, looking forward to my first residential experience. I welcome any advice, tips, suggestions - essentially any feedback to make me a great Coordinator for PKT".

Susie Khaopraseuth, Yellow House Coordinator

IN-HOME CONNECTIONS

"Hey, let's go grab a *"giga-b(y)ite"* at Subway!"... or is it "Yes, I'd like a 500-*gigabyte* Oven Roasted Chicken sandwich with extra *Memory!*"? Or maybe it's making sure to spend your *"cache"* wisely. OK, so it can get a little confusing, but these statements tell you that these are a few of **Jason W.'s** favorite things!

So let's break things down. Subway is Jason's favorite place to go grab a bite to eat when he's out and about. The rest of it has everything to do with computers.

Jason has a tremendous talent when it comes to computers. This is something he went to school for and between that and building his own computer repair business Jason has been *"cable"* to learn quite a bit and keep himself busy. It's highly impressive that Jason does so well with repairing computers; after all, there is so much to *"RAM"*ember, and technology is constantly changing.

It's not only computers that Jason does work on. There have been gaming systems and TV's that he's also been able to fix. Jason has customers who bring him items to fix but he also browses the internet and finds items in need of repair, buys them up, fixes them up and sells them. He can be a real *"wheeler and dealer"* with his customers, always playing with the numbers, but getting a good deal from Jason isn't necessarily a *"hard drive"*.

In his spare time, Jason goes to the YMCA for a little exercise. Knowing that a healthy diet and exercise is an important combination, Jason uses the treadmill, walks the track and has also tried out the stationary bikes. When the weather is nicer outside Jason will go for walks at some of the parks. He has walked the entire distance around Lake Calhoun which is 3.1 miles; what an accomplishment!

Sometimes Jason feels like going to see a movie. He typically chooses to go see the action-packed type but also will check out science-fiction movies or even a horror flick! When it comes to music Jason likes most any type. Bon Jovi is one of his favorite groups. When Jason hears an oldie but goodie he likes to turn it up, saying "Now that's a jam!"

Jason himself is a talented musician. He plays keyboard extremely well, and states that, although he has taken some lessons, he's primarily self-taught. He's gone into Best-Buy before, walked into the music section and wowed the crowd with his highly-impressive playing.

Well, that's Jason; another blue *"chip"* (high-quality, low-risk) kind of guy. Oh, by the way, his favorite snack could very well be beef jerky. Why's that you ask? Well, because he can go ahead and *"terabyte"* off any time he wants! All right, enough with the computer puns. Jason might just tell you himself, though, that *"www"* really stands for *"world wide wait!"*



In the world of sports, there are those who are good at what they do and they get the points for their team. And then there are those who build teamwork among the players, strengthen the confidence of their teammates through encouragement and a hearty handshake or *"Hi-5!"* This individual has the talent and skill to achieve all of the above. This is the one, the only, **Dan G.**

Dan is an exceptional athlete who plays sports several months out of the year. During basketball season he's out on the court, looking for the perfect shot, or to pass to one of his teammates. Bright-eyed with enthusiasm for the game and the passion to win, he makes his mark out on the court!

As basketball season comes to a close, Dan is already looking ahead to softball. As the shock runs through his hands from the bat and ball colliding, Dan knows it's time to kick it down and touch those bases as he rounds each one and heads for home.

In his down-time from sports, Dan enjoys going shopping at some of the thrift stores around St. Paul or at Har Mar Mall. He also likes to grab a bite to eat at Taco Johns, Subway or Burger King. He also really enjoys browsing at the hobby store.

It's not all fun-and-games for Dan, though. He works hard through the program at TSE, Inc. where he has a strong network of friends. Dan seems to be a well-liked guy, also keeping in touch with his long-time friends at PKT through chatting with them on his Sidekick or hanging out with them at the PKT client parties.

The next time you're at one of the PKT client parties, you'll more than likely see Dan. So give him a wave, shake his hand, for you never know; you just might be shaking the hand of a future all-star ball player!

Christopher Bastyr, In-Home Services Coordinator



PKT Enterprises'

2012

Management

Employee of the Year

~RAYNESHIA NUNN~



PKT would like to recognize and thank Rayneshia for going above and beyond in the following ways:

- ◆ Visits the group homes to do hair and nails for the various ladies who request it, which makes them feel great
- ◆ Makes sure that every client has a special birthday party with decorations, food, and friends from the community invited
- ◆ Takes pride in helping not only her clients look amazing but other clients as well, sometimes even her co-workers
- ◆ Developed programming such as cooking, baking and "Road to Success" for clients to feel independent and have a level of self worth
- ◆ Has a very uplifting, positive, funny, professional style when showing leadership
- ◆ Demonstrates professional leadership by being a good listener, accommodating others needs and preferences
- ◆ Leads by example in keeping the house clean, the ladies' health well taken care of, and expects her staff to do as much as her
- ◆ Has come up with so many ideas for her staff and clients to help them be successful and is willing to share them with her co-workers
- ◆ Has had campfires, barbecues, and other parties at her house for all the clients at PKT
- ◆ Often at the office till late at night making sure that things get done
- ◆ Is a 'star' when getting monthly paperwork done
- ◆ Pitches in to help other Coordinators with open shifts, with a smile on her face
- ◆ "To know Nish is to love Nish!"



CONGRATULATIONS!
THANK YOU!
~Rayneshia Nunn~
2012 Winner of \$500.00



PKT Enterprises'

2012

Non-Management

Employee of the Year

~RYAN TAMTE~



PKT would like to recognize and thank Ryan for going above and beyond in the following ways:

- ◆ Set up a paper tracking system that is functional and efficient, streamlining monthly data collection
- ◆ Hosted multiple backyard barbecues for PKT clients from various sites
- ◆ Often works on holidays so clients without families can enjoy the day
- ◆ Updated the home décor - client bedrooms, office, living room and basement
- ◆ Took photos of the clients and put the pictures in frames for their enjoyment
- ◆ Great upbeat attitude and fun sense of humor
- ◆ Set up a video lounge in the basement
- ◆ Reworked the menu to suit the client's needs and preferences
- ◆ Located quality pieces of furniture for donation to the Pink House
- ◆ Brought in a Rug Doctor and cleaned the carpets and couches
- ◆ Always treats the clients with utmost respect and dignity, pushing for as much growth and independence as possible
- ◆ Maintains professional boundaries yet treats clients like family
- ◆ Purchased Christmas gifts for the clients with his own money
- ◆ Facilitated countless fun and different weekend activities
- ◆ Brings well thought out ideas to improve the care for the Pink House guys
- ◆ Great example to co-workers, fair and professional
- ◆ Shops for deals to save on the house budget



CONGRATULATIONS!
THANK YOU!
~Ryan Tamte~
2012 Winner of \$500.00

Satisfaction Survey Results Are In



PKT Enterprises recently sent out a satisfaction survey to the parents/siblings/guardians and case managers of all of our clients. The continuing effort allows us to solicit information on what we do well and also allows us to see areas in which we need to improve. We would like to thank all of you who took the time to participate in filling this out. The following are the results, on a 5 point rating scale. Here is where we averaged in each category:

1. How would you rate the quality of services provided by PKT? **4.14**
2. PKT provides opportunities for people to participate in community activities. **4.58**
3. PKT staff keep me well informed about progress or concerns, as well as any successes, achievements or accomplishments. **4.52**
4. My son/daughter/sibling/client is receiving the types of support services I would want for them. **4.28**
5. PKT staff are courteous and respectful to me when I interact with them. **4.71**
6. I would recommend PKT to a person looking for services. **4.39**
7. I am satisfied with the appearance of the group home where my son/daughter/sibling/client lives. **4.11**
8. When an emergency arises I know my client is well taken care of. **4.54**
9. I enjoy/appreciate the articles written in the PKT Press. **4.31**

We also asked if there was anything else you would like to tell us. Here are some of the wonderful comments people had for PKT:

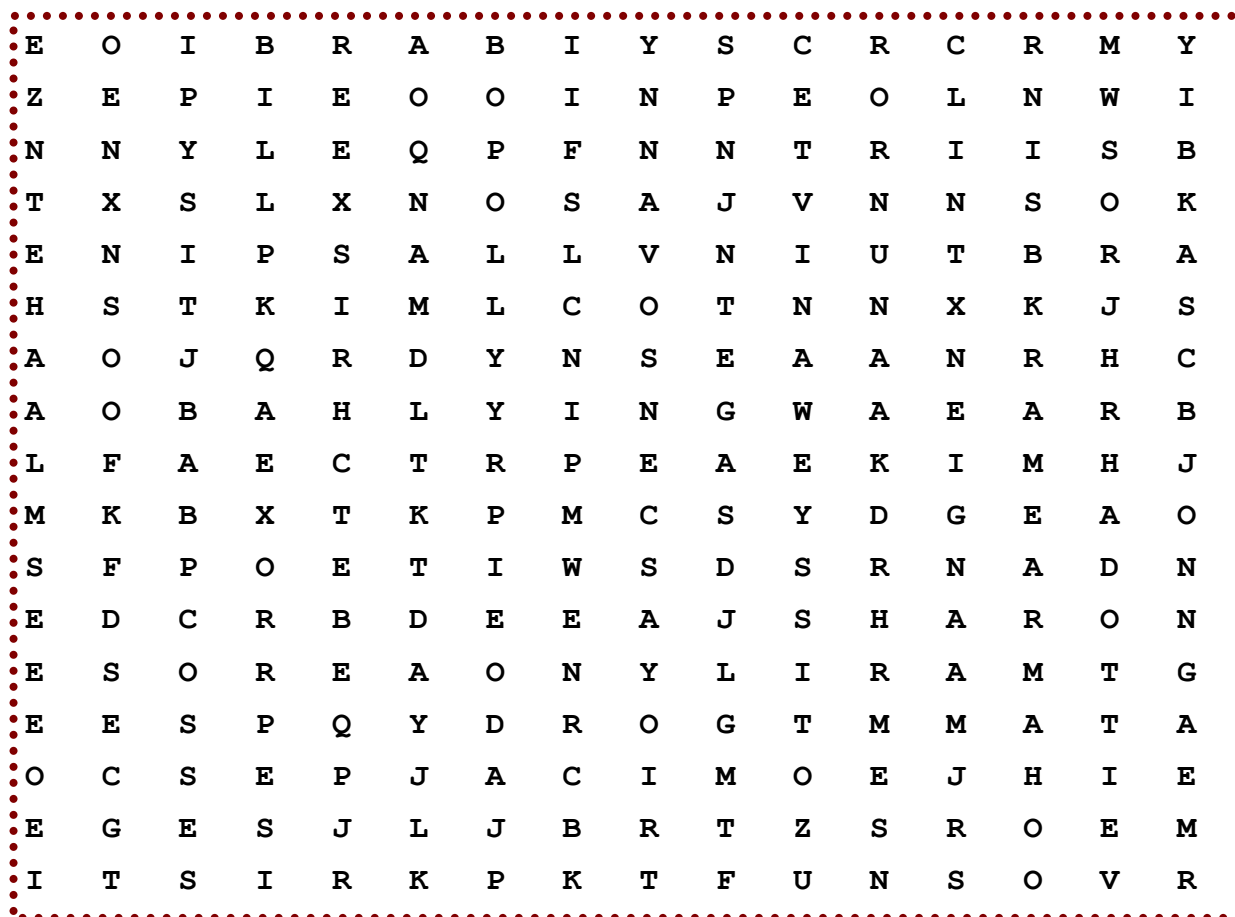
“_____ always keeps me updated of any issues. Great with behavior programs. They are like family. I sent PKT’s name to _____’s therapist to give to her friend. You guys are awesome. Keep up the good work. Consistent. Great services. So thankful for the iPad with the pretty pink case. We love _____! Have seen an improvement in communication. _____ seems very happy with the staff and depends a lot on them for help and advice. Services are designed to meet the special needs of each client. Staff have good working relationship with client. _____ is a top notch coordinator. Always on top of things and gets things done. Coordinator is excellent at job. I always feel that _____ is well cared for 24/7. Thank you for taking such good care of _____. This is the best home _____ has ever had.”.

Though we do a lot of wonderful things, there are always areas we can improve on:

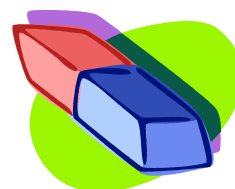
“Need more creative ideas/outings. Offer a wider variety of activities. More communication about the activities _____ participates in”.

Thank you once again for taking the time to let us know how we are doing both positive and negative. Remember, we can’t improve unless we know about your concerns.

Find the Hidden Names



Bill	Gordy	Myiessha
Jackie	Rose	Monette
Walter	Polly	Spidy
Kristi	Megan	Lisa
Lane	Marilyn	Sovanny
Chris	DJ	Maryann
Dori	Jaci	Kim
Scott	Jim	Mata
Mike	Dottie	Tom
Jon	Xao	Clint
Anna	Mark	Jason
Bob	Bob	PKT Fun
Sean	Barb	Hint:
Lynn	Angie	Forward
Sharon	Dan	Backward
Kristin	Jesse	Diagonal



CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENTS

July Staff Meetings

IHS:	July 3 rd	9:30a-11:30a
Brick:	July 19 th	12:00p-2:00p
Pink:	July 10 th	12:00p-2:00p
Brown:	July 19 th	12:00p-2:00p
Columbia:	July 23 rd	12:30p-2:30p
Green:	July 8 th	2:00p-4:00p
Brighton:	July 2 nd	1:00p-3:00p
Dark:	July 15 th	2:00p-4:00p
Yellow:	July 9 th	12:30p-2:30p
White:	July 10 th	8:30a-10:30a

JULY						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August Staff Meetings

IHS:	August 7 th	9:30a-11:30a
Brick:	August 23 rd	12:00p-2:00p
Pink:	August 14 th	12:00p-2:00p
Brown:	August 16 th	12:00p-2:00p
Columbia:	August 27 th	12:30p-2:30p
Green:	August 12 th	2:00p-4:00p
Brighton:	August 10 th	1:00p-3:00p
Dark:	August 19 th	2:00p-4:00p
Yellow:	August 13 th	12:30p-2:30p
White:	August 14 th	8:30a-10:30a

AUGUST						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Dates may be subject to change



July Local Festivals and Fairs

3-4	Minneapolis Park & Recreation Independence Day Celebration, fireworks and other family friendly activities along the riverfront. Explore www.minneapolisparcs.org for calendar of events
4	Visit www.exploreminnesota.com for other Independence Day calendar of events
10-14	Ramsey County Fair, Maplewood, MN, Free admission, \$3 parking- www.ramseycountyfair.com
12-20	Minneapolis Aquatennial Festival, parade and much more- www.aquatennial.com
19-21	Car Craft Summer Nationals Car Show, \$14, MN State Fairgrounds- www.mnstatefair.org/events
19-21	Highland Fest, Highland Village, Live music, art fair, 5k run and more- www.highlandfest.com
23-28	Anoka County Fair, Anoka, MN, \$9 includes parking- www.anokacountyfair.com
31-8/4	Washington County Fair, Lake Elmo, MN, \$7 includes parking- www.washingtoncountyfair.org



EMPLOYEE OF THE
MONTH

April 2013

Jean Parker

PKT would like to recognize and thank ***Jean*** for:

- ★ Always willing to pick up shifts and change her schedule to help out
- ★ Always looking out for the ladies and having their best interest in mind
- ★ Working hard when doing everything from cleaning to cooking homemade meals
- ★ Following portion control and ensuring the clients are exercising
- ★ Keeping personal issues away from work, which is very important
- ★ Being "exceptional" and trying her hardest all the time!

EMPLOYEE OF THE
MONTH

May 2013

Michelle Freeman

PKT would like to recognize and thank ***Michelle*** for:

- ★ Keeping the Columbia House in order and clean
- ★ Giving her honest opinion during client/staff issues
- ★ Taking the initiative to hold a mediation meeting between two clients and help them build a new unbreakable bond
- ★ Understanding how important it is to be a role model for her coworkers and doing a great job trying her best to stay on top of things
- ★ Always willing to help the House Coordinator with numerous tasks, and handling delegation tasks as well
- ★ Trying hard to express to coworkers that there is no "I" in team
- ★ Being a team player

EMPLOYEE OF THE
MONTH

June 2013

Amanda Ludden

PKT would like to recognize and thank ***Amanda*** for:

- ★ Taking the extra time to help a client find a new hobby in painting and collage
- ★ Continually finding new and fun community activities and encouraging the residents to try them
- ★ Looking for volunteer opportunities for the clients
- ★ Regularly bringing thoughtful suggestions to the House Coordinator regarding client behaviors and facility improvements
- ★ Regularly keeping the client's hair and beards well-groomed
- ★ Taking the initiative to improve the house when possible, rather than waiting for others to help
- ★ Always having a positive influence when at work

CONGRATULATIONS and
THANK YOU!
YOU ARE ALL APPRECIATED!

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Client Birthdays

Polly B.	5/2
Rose K.	5/9
Megan C.	5/27
Gordy H.	5/30
Marilyn M.	6/4
Dan (DJ) J.	6/12
Jim R.	7/12
Jaci B.	7/28



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

Employee Birthdays

Michelle Schauer	5/1
Rosilyn Carroll-Blakey	5/23
Gillian Pearson	5/25
Jesse Lobash	6/5
Amanuel Teklemariam	6/10
Lucas Van Fossan	6/12
Susie Khaopraseuth	6/13
Temilola Awoleke	6/24
Karl Johnson	6/30
Bangela Smith	7/1
Kim Sollars	7/1
Cheryl Johansen	7/3
Jean Parker	7/3
Selma Weah	7/4
Nicola Opine	7/7
Ron Katzenmaier	7/21
Channon Doerr	7/23
Tim Sullivan	7/24
Patricia Amunga	7/29



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY!**

Janine Beier	1 year
KenDrena Harris	1 year
Latita Martin	1 year
Alison Owens	1 year
Cheyenne Oyen	1 year
Amanuel Teklemariam	1 year
Rachel Newbury	2 years
Lucas Van Fossan	2 years
Michelle Freeman	3 years
Steve Mwangi	3 years
Jessica Greenhow	4 years
Greg Klinger	4 years
Duane Sundblad	4 years
Matt Wahl	4 years
Sherri Vogel	7 years
Tennille Carlson	9 years
Sarah O'Blenes	9 years
Dave Halverson	17 years



WELCOME

New Employees

Cheryl Johansen	White House LSI
Pamela Johnson	Brown House LSI
Susie Khaopraseuth	Yellow House Coordinator
Lauren Kubitschek	Dark House LSI
LaQuita Perry	White House LSI
Marcia Sanders	Columbia House LSI
Kim Sollars	In-Home LSI
Sierra Stewart	In-Home LSI
Selma Weah	Brick House LSI



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Words to Live By ...

Take delight in the Lord, and He will give
you the desires of your heart.

Psalm 37:4

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