

Friends of WCDC

Newsletter



Cathy's Corner

It was raining all day Friday but we were determined to hold our 1st Garage Sale of 2019 on the what was forecast as a beautiful Saturday in Spring. The rain stopped, the ground dried & our team arrived at 6 AM to set up for the sale & we were ready to open by 7 AM. We made \$834 before the winds took over at 11:45 but the team was still there & ready to break down & pack everything. I would be remiss if I didn't thank the following individuals for going above & beyond for the clients and WCDC: Libby Davis, Jane & Larry Ziminski, Karen Megary, Faye Jefferies, Joan Geiling, Howie & Donna Scholl, and Jack Ferry. I'd also like to thank everyone who donated items & then came shopping. Watch for information on our 2nd sale.

This will be our last Newsletter until September, however, I will make sure that everyone is keep up to date on any Friends projects and/or important information.

Have a wonderful Summer!!!

"A gentle word, a kind look, a good natured smile can work wonders & accomplish miracles."

William Hazlett

Friends & WCDC Activities

May 13 - Friends Monthly Mtg. 6 PM

May 20 - Aktion Club Meeting - 9 AM

May 15 - April Birthday Celebration - Noon

May 22 – Shorebirds Game sponsored by Friends of WCDC

May 27 – Memorial Day –

Day Program Closed

"Memorial Day remains one of America's most cherished patriotic observances. The spirit of this day has not changed – it remains a day to honor those who died defending our freedom & democracy" Doc Hastings

> Thank You Dr. Chris & Dr. Tracy Healing Hands



Drs. Chris & Tracy held a very successful fund raiser for WCDC at Healing Hands Chiropractic on May 1st.



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A message from our Executive Director

There is a saying that people don't plan to fail; they fail to plan. Often we see a lot of our families who fail to plan for the future of their adult children. As our clients age, so do you, their parents. Our experience, all too often, is families do not make arrangements for the future care of their adult children. When



something happens to the parent(s), the family, agencies such as WCDC and state agencies have to scramble to provide housing and other supports.

A lot of us have difficulty thinking about and planning for the day when we are no longer here, but if you have a family member who relies on you for care, you have to make arrangements for their sake.

WCDC is looking at its residential program and making plans for the next 3-5 years. Please take the very brief survey below and returned it to me at WCDC or by email to ferry@wcdcservices.org

Our residential program has been growing—we added 5 homes in the past few years—and we want to make sure we are ready to provide a home for everyone who needs one. Whether it is with WCDC, another family member or someone else, please plan for the future. You dedicated your life to supporting them, now make sure they are taken care of after you are gone. You will feel a lot better knowing everything is in place for their future.

Below is a very brief survey. Please fill out the survey and return it to me at the center or by email to ferry@wcdcservices.org.

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1. I have made arrangements for future care and am not interested in residential services.
2. I am interested in residential services within the next year.
3. I am interested in residential services within the next 3 years.
4. I am interested in residential services within the next 3-5 years.
5. I am interested in residential services in thePocomoke areaSnow HillBerlin/Ocean Pines area.
6. I would like someone from WCDC to contact me about residential services. Below, please write your name, contact information and best time to call

April Birthdays



Pictured L – R: Libby Davis, Tony Green, Donta Smith, Cathy Gallagher, Katie West, Angie Carpenter, Rodney Copes, Eddie Davis and Linda Fentress

May Birthdays

May 1 – Wanda Millman May 15 – Vernetta Mitchell

May 2 – Aliyah White May 15 – Christa Fletcher

May 3 – Evette Handy May 21 – Jalinda Rounds

May 4 – Melinda Cropper May 21 – Mario Washington

May 8 – Carol Hamlett May 23 – Iola Tariq

May 8 - Rolando Butler May 26 - Tim Fletcher

May 10 – Donna Simpkins May 29 – Martesha Mumford

May 12- Merzeta Maurissant May 30 – Joan Lockwood

May 31 – Carol Cropper



May Client & Staff of the Month



Client of the Month – May 2019 James Guy

James is an integral member of the lawn crew. He shows up for work on time every day ready to go. James is quiet, but he is always alert to what needs to be done. Any job he is given is done well and on time. He never complains and is always ready to pitch in no matter what. He is caring and considerate to others and is a great role model. James is a nice

person who helps others and makes people feel good

Congratulations James!





Staff Member of the month - May 2019 Elissa Jackson

Our staff person of the month is a fairly new member of the WCDC family, but she has made quite an impression already. Elissa Jackson, who works in our day program and also provides personal supports, is easily spotted as she always wears a great, big smile. Her happiness rubs off on everyone she comes in contact with. She

provides excellent care for the clients she works with. She is a team player who will do whatever is asked of her. Shortly, she will be using the skills she developed at another job to supervise and work with our lawn crew.

Congratulations Elissa!

Volunteering at PRMC

Garrett Byerly & Brian Smith are volunteers in the Kitchen at PRMC. The staff of the hospital are pleased with their work and enjoy their happiness and desire to work hard and do a good job. It's a winning program for both the clients and PRMC.











Work is not man's punishment, it is his reward and his strength and his pleasure.

George Sand





Nicholas (Nick) Haglich was on hand to help the Worcester County officials unveil the beautiful new Judy Johnson Memorial located at the Snow Hill Library.

Nick, Snow Hill's King of Rock & Roll, is a WCDC program participant.



Treat Mom or yourself, to a beautiful mix of there varieties of plants in one container. Lovingly cultivated by our greenhouse crew, these plants will come in a 6" pot or a 10"hanging basket. All varieties do well in full or partial sun unless otherwise noted. These premium varieties are beautiful and striking in color. Order more than one combo variety for a brilliant splash of color. Your neighbors will be asking how you did it. Just smile and take the credit.

Each 6" pot is \$4.00 and the hanging baskets are \$12.00. To have these by Mother's Day please order by May 6, Delivery is available for orders of 4 or more. Call 410-632-2382 Ext.118 for more information. You can email your order to Timmons@wcdcservices.org. or return this order form to WCDC.

*10" Hanging Basket - \$12





Grape Expectations Cherry Blossom





Night in Pompelli Mix

Pink Lemonada Mix

6" Pot - \$4





Primary Perfection Mix * Cherry Kiss



Blue Ridge * Callie Color Wheel * Surfer Chick

Mix



Geisha Girl * I

Fire & Ice Mix

Order Form

Name_____

Phone_____

10" Hanging Baskets - \$12.00 each

#_____ Grape Expectations Mix - \$_____

#_____ Cherry Blossom Mlx - \$_____

#_____ Night in Pompelli Mix - \$_____

Pink Lemonade Mix - \$

Grand Total

<u>6" Pots -\$4.00 each</u>

#_____ Primary Perfection Mix - \$_____

#_____ Cherry Kiss - \$_____

#_____ Blue Ridge Mix - \$_____

#_____ Callie Color Wheel Mix - \$_____

#_____ Surfer Chick - \$_____

#_____ Geisha Girl - \$_____ # Fire & Ice Mix - \$ Thank you for your order!

WCDC Aktion Club



Aktion Prepares for Mother's Day

At their April meeting, Aktion Club members made bracelets that will be presented to their mother or female guardian on Mother's Day.

A very Special Thank You is sent out to Jackie Todd for teaching the members how to create a bracelet.

WCDC Aktion Club of
Kiwanis International
Sponsored by the Kiwanis
Club of
Ocean City & Ocean Pines









"Life isn't about how to survive the storm, but how to dance in the rain"

New Staff join the WCDC Team



Daijah Richards, Shekemah Wright, Christina Ochsner, Jakeerre Marshall Roland Butler, Donta Showell * Dorareno Wilson

Welcome Aboard!



Friends of WCDC

The purpose of Friends of WCDC shall be to see that the needs of people who live with a disability are made known to the community and that these needs are being met. The members of Friends of WCDC shall be advocates for the individuals who live with a disability within the community and are participants in the programs of the Worcester County Developmental Center. Friends of WCDC shall provide support and assistance to WCDC whenever possible.

Friends of WCDC Needs You!!

- * Meetings are every 2nd Monday of the month in the WCDC cafeteria
- * Meetings start at 6:00 p.m. and last one hour
- * Yearly dues are \$5.00
- * New members are welcome at any time. Your talents and ideas are needed
- * All our projects are fun filled
- * All our efforts support the clients and programs of WCDC

2018 – 2019 Officers – Friends of WCDC

President – Cathy Gallagher
Vice President – Mary Ferry
Secretary – April Davis Treasurer – Jack Ferry, Sr.

Friends of WCDC Membership Slip

Name		_
Address		
Phone #	Cell	
E Mail		

Please return to Jack Ferry @ WCDC or mail to: Cathy Gallagher
338 Ocean Parkway
Ocean Pines, MD 21811