

Day Services Scoop

Spotlight Edition

Fall is here!

It is one of the most colorful and exciting times of the year at our programs.

Over the next few months, we will enjoy seasonal activities, celebrate traditions, spend time together, and get ready for the holiday season.

In this newsletter, you will meet some of the wonderful participants and staff who make ADSSW so special. You will also learn more about our Peer Mentors and see what we have been up to across our centers.

I am proud of how our programs continue to grow. We are always looking for new ways to support our participants, families, and staff.

There is always something happening at ADSSW! We are excited to share some of those stories with you.

Wishing everyone a wonderful fall and holiday season!
~Vicki Durecki, Program Director

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 30 - Wisconsin Center
Halloween Dance and Haunted House

Nov 13 - Curtis Center
Karaoke

Nov 25 - Wisconsin Center
Thanksgiving Feast / Advisory Board

Dec 10 - Riverview Holiday
Bingo

Dec 11 - Curtis Sip N' Paint
 Check Facebook for upcoming
Speaker Bureau Series and
Advisory Board Dates!

*Throughout the year, we pause services on select holidays for all to rest, recharge, and celebrate with family. Please review our closure dates and **See Page 4 for makeup day info!***

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Thursday and Friday
Nov 26-27 Thanksgiving CLOSED

Friday
Dec 25 Christmas CLOSED

Friday
Jan 1 New Year's Day CLOSED



"Strike a pose there's nothing to it" ..



..at a Wisconsin Center dance!



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Employee Spotlight



Randy

Randy S. has dedicated nine years to ADSSW and currently works at the **Wisconsin Center**. He is a strong and reliable source of support for both participants and staff and plays an important role in maintaining a safe and supportive environment. Randy serves as the facility's Safety Coordinator and helps lead morning group activities, contributing to the daily structure of the program and encouraging participant involvement. In addition to his safety and group responsibilities, Randy provides haircuts for participants and is diligent about helping keep the facility clean and welcoming. His contributions are especially meaningful at Wisconsin Center, an all-male day program serving individuals with a variety of disabilities and support needs. Throughout his nine years with ADSSW, Randy has consistently demonstrated dedication to the participants, his coworkers, and the program as a whole. Wisconsin Center would like to recognize and thank Randy for his years of service, dedication, and positive impact.

Kelly W. began working at ADSSW's **Grant Center** in February 2021 and is now a valued member of the Curtis Center team. Kelly works to bring out the best in participants through her humor, kindness, and dedication. Participants are always excited to join the activities Kelly leads, with favorites including book club, card games, creative crafts, and helping care for Curtis Center's pet fish, Romeo. Kelly is proud of her Native American heritage and believes strongly in ensuring that all living things are treated with dignity and respect. A natural caregiver and nurturer, Kelly is always willing to put the needs of others before her own. Outside of work, Kelly loves being a grandma and spending time with her family. Her caring nature, sense of humor, and dedication make her a valued part of the Curtis Center community.



Kelly



Nikeya

Here at **Riverview**, **Nikeya S.** has been a wonderful addition to our team over the past seven months. From the very beginning, she fits right in and has brought a caring, positive, and genuine personality to everything she does. Outside of work, Nikeya enjoys spending time with her three children and making memories together. Some of their favorite activities include visiting Urban Air, going on walks, and baking treats as a family. She also loves bringing their sweet poodle, Baby, along on their adventures. Nikeya's caring nature and positive attitude make her a valued member of the Riverview team, and we are very happy to have her as part of the Riverview community!

Marvin T. has been a valued member of the **Grant Center** team since July 2021, serving as a Day Program Instructor. With more than 20 years of direct caregiving experience, Marvin joined ADSSW after working with Goodwill Industries, bringing along a wealth of knowledge, compassion, and dedication. Known for his easy smile and contagious laugh, Marvin has built strong relationships with participants and coworkers alike. His positive attitude and genuine care for others help create a welcoming and supportive environment that participants look forward to being a part of each day. Outside of work, Marvin enjoys watching *The Golden Girls* and appreciates the humor and heart of the classic television series. One of his favorite community outings is attending Milwaukee Milkmen baseball games. Marvin especially enjoys seeing participants experience the excitement of a sporting event, an opportunity they may not always have. Marvin's experience, compassion, and positive spirit have made him an important part of the Grant Center team, and we appreciate all that he brings to ADSSW.



Marvin

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy."

~ Rabindranath Tagore

Participant Spotlight



'JD'

Wisconsin Center Strong!

Jerry David "JD" has been with ADSSW since May 2014. JD is the proud father of one daughter and five grandchildren who visit him at Wisconsin Center often. JD's generous mother will often bring fried chicken and salads for all the participants to enjoy for lunch. JD enjoys playing board games with peers, watching action and comedy movies, and he thoroughly enjoys joking around with friends. His favorite community experiences include Dollar Tree, Walmart and Culver's. The activities he enjoys include chair yoga, trivia and board games.



Sara B

Groovin' at Grant!

Sara is a quiet force that beats at the heart of Grant Center. Don't get me wrong, she'll get loud at times, but most of her days are spent making multiple thoughtful visits around the building. You're not going to keep her focus long at an activity, because this lady is born to wander. She loves moving from room to room and activity to activity; she'll stay a bit, utter a quick, "You miss me?", and be on her way to her next appointment. She's always quick to offer a compliment, and will call out to participants as they walk through the door to tell them they are her friend. Sara can often be heard singing and vocalizing with songs that are playing, and will tell you she likes this song. If you really want to make her day, just start singing "My Girl," and her entire existence will light up. There are those moments when she will participate in an activity, and her excitement is genuine as she basks in the praise. She may appear low-key, but she has the heart of a diva and craves the limelight. She keeps us smiling, keeps us moving, and truly keeps the beat of our building alive.



Danielle M

Curtis Crushes the Rest!

When meeting Danielle M, you are greeted with kindness and a smile that will warm your heart! She is known for her consideration for others as she is always looking for ways to help encourage, and support her peers. As the number 1 fan of Elvis Presley, she enjoys showing her memorabilia and sharing her favorite songs. Danielle has excelled in her role as a Peer Mentor at Curtis Center. She is a highlight of guests' visits, making sure they feel welcomed and included. She is a frequent "Volunteer Superhero" through her work with Feeding America. She enjoys participating in community events and festivals. Thank you, Danielle, for shining your light and having such a positive impact at program!



McKayla

Riverview Rocks!

McKayla is a sweet and gentle young lady. She has a love for music and is currently learning to play the piano, which she really enjoys. McKayla loves to laugh and especially enjoys spending time with her family and friends. She also loves dancing to music and spending quiet time reading a good book. McKayla works at a bookstore and absolutely loves her job. Her kind heart and caring personality make her a wonderful friend to her peers and a valued part of our program.



Wisconsin Center

October

4 Joseph H
25 Greg B
29 Lane R
30 Matthew H



November

6 Randy (staff)
14 Derek W
20 Eric G
21 Christopher S
30 Jerry 'JD' A



December

2 Martell P
2 Roosevelt (staff)
8 Shaquille G
17 DeAngelo W



Curtis Center

October

3 Elijah J
10 Catherine C
15 Dylan K
22 Shakurah T
28 Denzell 'Bo' M

November

10 Mary M
21 Bruce Y
22 LaKeisha (staff)
23 Tina (staff)
27 Jeff (staff)

December

2 Johnny W
6 Mario J
7 Danielle M
16 Brandon E
27 Kevin F
29 Heather S
30 Christopher J

Riverview

October

6 Kayla S
8 Ruben D
9 Steven R
26 David H
29 Christine M
30 Michelle P
31 Jodie B

November

2 Nikeya (staff)
3 Frank F
15 Danny T
19 Michael F
20 Emir D
22 Elise M
27 Kevin F

December

4 Kenneth C
12 Brian R
23 Jeremy D

Grant Center

October

2 Mary P
19 Eugene V
23 Randy J
25 Xzavier R
26 Santy P
29 Michael B

November

4 Missy P
14 Walter M
20 Roger K
24 Elizabeth J
25 Brian L
27 Amy K

December

7 Lizabeth K
8 Kathryn B
13 Luann A
18 Chad B
25 Logan C
25 Ann K
26 Nancie W

Important Emergency Closure Information:

How We'll Communicate Emergency Closures:

- Posted on our **Facebook page**
(Adult Day Services of Southeast Wisconsin)
- Announced on **WMTJ Channel 4 News**
and **CBS Channel 58 News**
- Direct **contact from your program** location

If you are unsure about your emergency contacts or if they need to be updated, please reach out to your respective center at the contacts listed below. Thank you for working with us to keep everyone safe and informed.

Holiday Schedule Update: Join Us For Makeup Day

At ADSSW, we know life doesn't always follow a perfect calendar.

If a holiday is on the same day you are scheduled at your program, you're welcome to flex those days.

Just let us know ahead of time, and we'll help you shift your schedule so you don't miss out on the fun with your friends.

Connect. Create. Laugh. Learn!

If you'd like to schedule a makeup day please reach out to your center's Program Manager or Katy at the business office:

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Peer Mentor Spotlight

ADSSW Peer Mentors

Our Peer Mentors have become true leaders at our centers!

They take time to welcome new participants, build friendships, and help everyone feel included and comfortable.

Peer Mentors also take part in training. They are learning how to be positive role models, respect personal boundaries, have meaningful conversations, and communicate in ways that work best for each person.

Our Peer Mentors put these skills into practice every day as they connect with and support others. They care about the program and the people around them, making a big difference across our ADSSW community.

We are proud of their hard work and leadership.

Thank you, Peer Mentors, for helping make ADSSW a welcoming place!

Wisconsin Center



L-R: Tyler E., Derek W., Alex R., Shaquille G. Dion L., Devin G.

Grant Center



L-R: Mary G., Emily D., Mary P., Jenn H., Robert S., Logan C., Santy P., Steven S.

Curtis Center



L-R: Robert J., James R., Danielle M., Louis W., Heather S., Courtney G.

Riverview



L-R: Anthony D., Julie F., Jamie W., Hailey A.C., Gino G.

GAME DAY



Find all the sport related words in the puzzle below

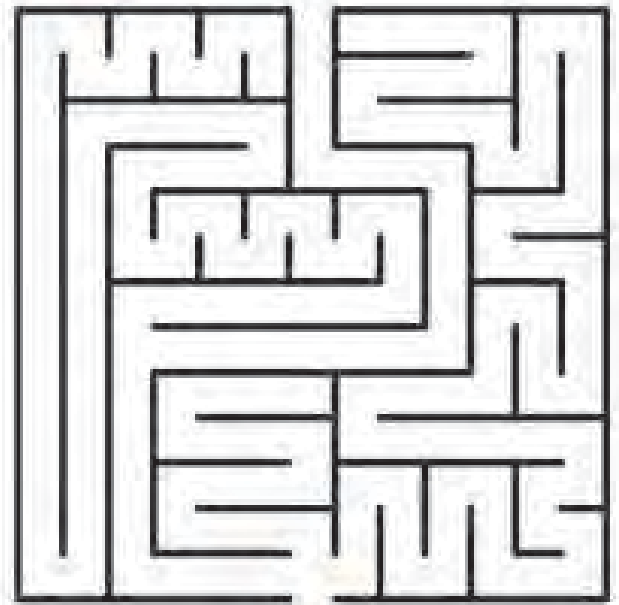
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SKATEBOARD
BICYCLE
SURFBOARD
RUNNING
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BOWLING

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G	B	A	Q	S	F	O	O	T	B	A	L	L	S	E
Q	B	Q	A	G	N	I	L	W	O	B	A	L	Q	C
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AUTUMN MAZE



Help the chipmunk find the room!



Find the answers hidden on this page!



Do **YOU** have a joke or puzzle to share?
Tell us! Who knows? Maybe it will be
in our next newsletter!
And **You** will be in the spotlight!

Q: Why did the cookie go to the doctor?

A: Because it felt *crummy*!

~ from Cindy



What do ghosts eat for dinner?



Why didn't the turkey finish its dessert?



If you drop me, I'm sure to crack, but give me a smile
and I'll always smile back. What am I?



What do snowman eat for breakfast?

