

News to S.M.I.L.E.

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SMILE 5K Race

Behind the scene (5K Race Committee meeting)



The 5K Race Committee consists of twelve members. For the last three months, they met every Tuesday at SMILE to discuss marketing strategies,

designs for the shirts, sponsorships, registrations, distribution of the t-shirts, the auction items, snacks for the participants and finally how many of everything should be ordered. SMILE thanks the Race Committee headed by Leo (standing.) Other esteemed members. We thank the City of Lilburn, the runners and you. Ready for 2018?

We especially thank St. John's Neumann for making this event possible for the last seven years. Without your commitment, this would not have been possible.

Enhancing the health and well-being of adults with developmental disabilities, whether they live independently or in a family setting, by providing compassionate care, supportive instruction, and constructive encouragement to effectively engage with others, so that those with special needs thrive in the communities where they live, work and socialize.

Thank you to our sponsors who contributed in bringing us closer to our goals.

We appreciate you!

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Awards 123
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Terry is a picture of elegance with her pink parasol

SMILE CLIENT VOLUNTEERS

Can you guess how many hours our clients have volunteered in the community?



Congratulations and thanks to our wonderful client volunteers. The service they provide benefit individuals and surrounding community in nursing homes and food banks in Gwinnett County.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. What is John Leach famous for making?

Answer is *Pottery*.



(The answer is 2,678 volunteer hours)



Sadly, we lost a member of the SMILE family. Jeffrey Kahn will always be remembered for his gentle ways. Several of the clients and staff attended the gravesite service in Atlanta – He will be sorely missed.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jeffrey's family and to his friends at SMILE.

A special thank you to Patrick McKenzie for his commitment and passion for all our clients. We know Jeffrey was in loving care and counted on you in particular, when he was at the Day Program.

“Be strong, you never know who you are inspiring”



Patrick Wilson certainly inspired us with the poem he read at the service of our dear Jeffrey. Not a dry eye could be seen... We all remember Jeffrey fondly and were deeply touched.

Community Living Supports - CLS

On April 11th several of the clients gathered to celebrate a Seder Dinner. The Seder was conducted again this year by Rick Manta. Rick was outstanding last year and was invited back this year by popular demand. The Passover Seder marks the beginning of the Jewish Holiday, Passover. The event retells the story of the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt.



In Brad's own words "My name is Brad and I am on the crew team at SMILE. Being on the crew team means that I get to do different things out in the community." Some days the Crew goes to Streetwise in Lawrenceville while other days, the crew goes to Lifecare Center also in Lawrenceville or the Lilburn Co-op in Lilburn. Brad also works one day a week at Walgreens and two days at

an animal hospital. "I like working at Walgreens. My job involves unloading the truck and I help store the merchandise. Sometimes I help with inventory." When I work at the animal hospital, I help keep the examining rooms nice and clean. I also vacuum and take the trash out." Brad says that they always thank him because he does an excellent job." When asked about his friends at SMILE, He listed, Josh, Scott, Kenny, Mary Beth, Terry, Terry B (Mama Terry,) Linda, Shawna, Amber, Lucy, Chris, Paul, Matt, Del and Idriys.

These are some of the things that make Brad happy; talking to friends on the phone and spending time with family. According to Brad, he cannot wait for the upcoming cruise with his family. He plans on having an exciting time on the ship. Happy Sailing Brad!



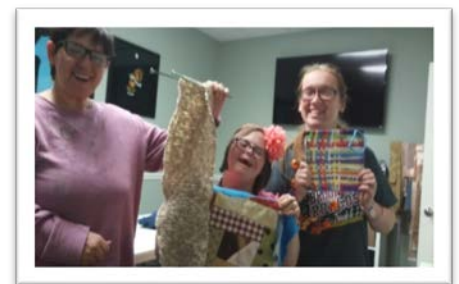
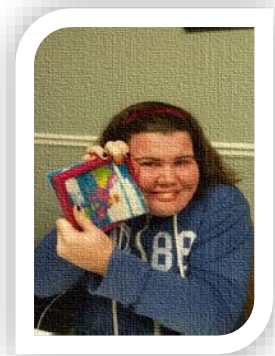
Are you looking for a rewarding job?

You can help someone with developmental disability become more independent and involved in their community...

We are currently looking for Direct Support Professional (DSP) staff. These positions are part-time as needed. If interested or if you know someone, please stop in Monday to Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm to fill out an application at the SMILE office located at 120 Gloster Road, Lawrenceville, GA or call 770-279-5115.

Requirements: Compassionate, patient, honest, ability to read and write English, flexibility to work different shifts are a must. Applicants must pass a background check, have a valid driver's license, dependable transportation and insurance. A high school diploma/GED and eligible to work in the U.S., CPR/First Aid and TB test result. **Only qualified candidates will be called back** - Email your resume to mndauphin@smile4.info

ARTS AND CRAFTS CORNER



New Legislation for the Developmentally Disabled Community

Gov. Nathan Deal today announced the launch of Georgia STABLE, a tax-free savings program for eligible individuals with disabilities. The program is administered by the Georgia Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Program Corporation, established through legislation signed in 2016. The Georgia ABLE Act is modeled after the Federal ABLE Act of 2014.

More information about Georgia STABLE, including the application form, can be found at www.georgiastable.com