

## AmeriServe International Peoples Press

July Newsletter



# Team Member SPOTLIGHT

### Erin Jones

Erin Jones, who has been a valued member of our company since July 14, 2022. Erin has proven to be an exceptional asset not only to the DayHab program but to the entire Ameriserve family.

One of Erin's remarkable qualities is her unwavering willingness to assist her colleagues whenever needed. She consistently extends a helping hand, demonstrating her reliability and dedication to teamwork. Erin's resourcefulness is truly commendable, as she always manages to find creative solutions when faced with challenges.

Moreover, Erin has played a pivotal role in enhancing our DayHab program. She has shown remarkable initiative by identifying and implementing wonderful activities, such as coordinating a volunteer service at the non-profit organization called Wild Hearts 'N Horses. Through these initiatives, Erin has fostered meaningful connections with our clients, understanding and catering to their individual needs and preferences. Her compassionate and patient approach, coupled with her deep understanding of our clients, has been instrumental in providing a nurturing environment.

Erin's calming demeanor is an asset to our team. She consistently maintains a positive attitude and handles challenging situations with grace. Her ability to navigate difficult circumstances while maintaining composure is truly admirable and has made a significant impact on not only our clients but our program's success.

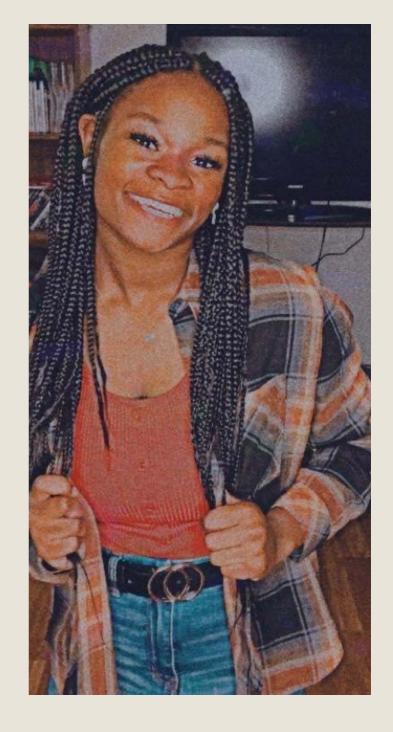
While we will deeply miss Erin's presence in the DayHab program, we are confident that she will excel in her new position in the maintenance department. We express our heartfelt gratitude to Erin for being an extraordinary addition to our team, and we wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors. Her contributions will undoubtedly leave a lasting positive impact on our organization.



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### Rodnesia Millie Smith-Carter

Rodnesia is a strong addition to the Lead On team. Rodnesia has been with the company for almost a year. Rodnesia quickly became a lead within six months. Rodnesia takes initiative with the clients in the lead on program and always puts her best foot forward! Rodnesia is always on top of clients' needs, has strong documentation, awesome medication monitoring, and effective communication skills. Rodnesia is a problem solver and always gets the job done! Rodnesia is extremely helpful with other locations in the Lead On program. Rodnesia recently graduated from Iowa Western with a degree in Fire Science for EMT/firefighter. In her leisure, Rodnesia enjoys going to local events, traveling, and exploring nature. Rodnesia also assisted coaching the Iowa Western woman's wrestling team. Rodnesia always has a smile and positive aura wherever she goes!



### Client

### Kasey L



Kasey is in the hourly program and attends dayhab. He is very friendly and willing to help anyone. Kasey helps with his peers, cheers them on, and cares about what is going on with them. He is always smiling and wanting to make other people smile too. In his free time Kasey likes watching his sports (specifically Texas), watching airplanes at the airport, and going on different trips (cruise and trips home to visit his parents in Arizona).

### Spotlight

### ASI Anniversaries! ASI Birthdays!

Kevon Conn 07/02/2012 (11 years)

Dustin Belt 07/08/2015 (8 years)

Paige Hough 07/30/2018 (5 years)

James Sharp 07/23/2019 (4 years)

Deana Blunt 07/07/202<mark>0 (3 years)</mark>

Roshelle Carter 07/19/2021 (2 years)

Chandler Schlotfeld 07/30/2021 (2 years)

Rodnesia Smith-Carter 07/05/2022 (1 year)

Jessica Roche 07/06/2022 (1 year)

Aline Aragon Gonzalez 07/13/2022 (1 year)

Erin-Nichole Jones 07/14/2022 (1 year)

Nayzia Harper 07/14/2022 (1 year)

Devon Gawronski 07/14/2022 (1 year)

Jacob Jones 07/25/2022 (1 year)

Tasha Philmalee 07/26/2022 (1 year)

Samantha Wieczorek-Colvin 07/27/2022 (1 year)

July 2nd: Michelle Jahde July 5th: Sabrina Case July 7th: Jaynie Edison

July 10th: Kari Cook and Megan Travis

July 13th: Pia Franklin

July 17th: Michelle Miller and DeAnna Winters

July 19th: Samantha Wieczorek-Colvin

July 22nd: Corina Gray
July 28th: Donald Blakeman

July 31st: Paige Hough



## Commitment Ceremony





On June 22nd, 2023, Lead On's very own Corey White and Rhonda Elshire celebrated their relationship together. This was a beautiful time for them as they had been together for 14 years. This day was a special day for them, as they got to enjoy this day at Lake manawa with friends and family. Rhonda looked beautiful in her dress and was pampered for the day with her hair and makeup being done by a team member. As well as going to get her nails done. Corey and Rhonda prepared for this day with the assistance of their team members. They reserved the shelter at lake manawa, made the cake and cupcakes, and made their very own creative bouquets. They danced and enjoyed socializing with their peers and everyone who has made a great impact on their lives and their time together.





### **ASI University**



Congratulations to Tasha Philmalee, Tonya Carroll, Lisa Gaunt, and Kizzie Wilson for completing Coaching 1!



Congratulations to Barbara Christo and Darcy Hansen for completing Coaching 1!



Congratulations to KC Conn, Wendy Lapel-McIntosh, Alice Quelch, Essence Bell, Madyson Wilson, Jessica Roche, Shirley Clapp, Samantha Wiezorek Colvin, Heidi Rodenburg, Madison Rodriguez, and Kevin Conn for completing Coaching 1!



Heidi Rodenburg was prompted to a CSC in Hourly! Erin-Nichole Jones was promoted to a Maintenance Position! Kara Johnson visited 4 National Parks! Jaynie Edison and Dianna Humphrey were promoted to Lead CSR in Lead-On! Michaella Davis got a house!

### **Upcoming Events and Holidays:**

June 30th- Omaha Celebrates America Concert & Fireworks July 21 - 23, 2023- O-Con Expo 2023 5:30 - 10:30 PM **Memorial Park** 

6005 Underwood Ave, Omaha, NE

July 1- We Love America—Fireworks Spectacular **Westfair Amphitheatre** 22984 US-6, Council Bluffs, IA

July 2nd-4th of July Celebration 11am-1pm Free food and Fun **Timothy Lutheran Church** 3112 West Broadway, Council Bluffs, IA

July 3rd-Warner Park Storm Chasers and Fireworks Werner Park 12356 Ballpark Way, Papillion, NE

July 4th- Lake Manawa Fireworks 10pm

July 5th- Blood drive CB Library 9-2

1 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, IA **July 22- Ditmars Wine Run 5K** 

**Mid-America Center** 

Sat, Jul 22, 9 – 11 AM **Ditmars Orchard & Vineyard** 19475 225th St, Council Bluffs, IA

July 22- Sat, Jul 22, 6 – 10 PM Omaha Water Lantern Festival 2023 Gene Leahy Mall at The RiverFront 1001 Douglas St, Omaha, NE

July 28th- Katelman Pool Party 1230 16th Ave, Council Bluffs, IA

July 29- Benson Days Sat, Jul 29, 8 AM - Sun, Jul 30, 5 PM Benson, Omaha, NE

July 14th-Omaha Storm Chasers Baseball Game + Fireworks 7-10pm Werner Park

12356 Ballpark Way, Papillion, NE

July 15th Pride CHI 12pm-11pm 455 N 10th St, Omaha, NE

July 18th-CB Library Adult Board Game Night 6-845pm



Every Tuesday and Thursday 1:30pm-2:30pm Hydrant Parties look up for locations Every Thursday Council Bluffs Farmers Market Bayliss 430pm-730pm Every Saturday River City Farmers Market YMCA Healthy Living Center 9am-12pm

### **Client Creativity**



Tony C.



Mitchell L.



Katie L.



Hannah G.



# Volunteering in the community 🚝

DayHab has established a transformative partnership with Impact Hill, a prominent community center facility located in Oakland, Iowa.

At Impact Hill, DayHab clients are immersed in a safe, positive, and inclusive environment that fosters personal growth and development. Beginning their visit with a range of engaging recreational activities, such as volleyball, basketball, clients are afforded opportunities to participate in games including pool, foosball, air hockey, as well as indulge in crafts, artistic expression, and board games.



Beyond the realm of recreation, DayHab clients actively engage in a sense of ownership and responsibility for the well-being of Impact Hill's facilities. They devote their time and effort to ensure the premises remain safe and pristine by completing tasks such as sweeping, mopping, vacuuming, table and chair cleaning, restroom maintenance, as well as waste disposal.

The experience of visiting Impact Hill has become an eagerly anticipated highlight for DayHab clients. Beyond being a place of relaxation and enjoyment, this collaboration offers a unique platform for them to cultivate and implement the essential life skills they have been practicing.

DayHab expresses profound gratitude to the dedicated Impact Hill team. By combining their efforts, Ameriserve and Impact Hill exemplify the power of collaboration in creating a more inclusive society, where individuals of all abilities can thrive, contribute, and find fulfillment. The shared commitment to empowering individuals with diverse abilities is a testament to the enduring impact of community partnerships and their potential to inspire positive change.

### **Continuing Education!**

Have you looked at the recent Continuing Education Classes options lately?? The Continuing Education Committee has been working hard to add additional options for you to participate in.

One example is the monthly Zumba and Yoga classes that have been offered and facilitated by Chaslyn Bryant.

Chaslyn has incorporated Zumba and Yoga into her Continuing Education classes to give team members a chance to let loose and enjoy themselves after working during the day.

Earn \$100 cash for attending







### ASI Cookbook Recipe of the Month!

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2- Granny Smith Apples
- 2- Kiwis
- 1- Lemon
- 1/2 ib of Raspberries
- 1 ib of Strawberries.
- 3 TBSP of Preserves of your choice
- 1 TBSP Brown Sugar
- 1 TSP Cinnamon
- 1/3 cup Sugar.
- Cooking Spray
- 10 Flour Tortillas

#### **Preparation:**

- 1.) In a small bowl, stir the cinnamon and sugar together to combine and set it aside.
- 2.) Working with three tortillas at a time, spray each side lightly with cooking spray and then sprinkle generously with the cinnamon sugar mixture on each side. Stack the tortillas together and cut into 12 wedges using a pizza cutter. Repeat until all tortillas are done.
- 3.) Place the prepared chips on an ungreased baking sheet and bake at 350 degrees for 11-12 minutes, or until crisp.
- 4.) Peel and finely chop the apples, Squeeze two teaspoons of lemon juice over the diced apples and toss to coat.
- 5.) Finely dice the strawberries and kiwis. Gently stir in raspberries to combine all the ingredients, keeping in mind that the raspberries will break up some but that's okay.
- 6.) Serve the fruit salsa at room temperature or chilled.

End up making the recipe of the month? Send pictures of everyone creating the recipe to klyons@ameriserveinl.com to be featured in the next newsletter edition!



Fruit Salsa!

