



August 2023  
Newsletter

# The Peoples Press

## Team Member SPOTLIGHT

### Elizabeth "Betty" Doty



Betty Doty has been a valuable member of Ameriserve's DayHab Program since February 2023.

Demonstrating an unwavering commitment to her responsibilities, Betty has consistently exhibited exceptional dedication, ensuring the completion of her shift duties to the highest standards. Furthermore, her outstanding initiative and selflessness have been evident as she readily assists fellow team members and voluntarily assumes additional duties when the situation demands, showcasing her remarkable work ethic and team spirit.

From the outset, Betty actively engaged with the clients under her care, fostering meaningful connections and garnering commendations for her exemplary performance. Particularly noteworthy is her exceptional handling of clients with more complex medical needs, displaying an impressive combination of patience and a positive attitude that facilitates swift and effective problem-solving in challenging circumstances.

In addition to her outstanding client interactions, Betty's communication skills have proven exemplary, both with her leadership and the broader team. Her open and effective lines of communication ensure that essential information and knowledge are efficiently disseminated, contributing to the overall effectiveness and cohesiveness of the team's efforts.

We take immense pleasure in observing Betty's growth in her role, transcending the boundaries of a mere team member to become an exemplary role model and a cherished friend within the organization. Betty's commitment to excellence and her unwavering support to her co-workers have had a profoundly positive impact on the program.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Betty for her remarkable contributions and commend her for the consistent excellence she brings to her role. Her unwavering dedication and genuine care for both clients and colleagues alike are truly commendable. Thank you, Betty.


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Paige Hough



Paige Hough is a Lead CSR in the hourly program and has been with Ameriserve for 5 years. Some of the qualities that Paige brings to the team are her communication skills, willingness to help anyone around her, professionalism with documentation and her ability to assist those we serve in anyway she can. Paige has always been a team member willing to go the extra mile and pick up shifts if needed. If there is ever a time that a shift needs switched Paige is flexible and will find time in her schedule to make up those hours. Paige is a great problem solver and handles all situations with a positive attitude. Paige ensures all members we serve live a life of their choosing by assisting them with achieving goals and engaging in habilitative activities. Paige is a terrific asset to the team and we are so thankful for her and all she does for the Hourly Program.



# Client



Joseph B.

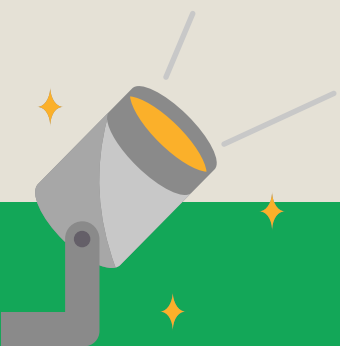
Joseph B. has been attending Ameriserve DayHab since October 2021. His enthusiasm and sociability at DayHab have left a lasting impression on all those he interacts with.

Embracing a diverse range of community activities and integration initiatives, such as bowling, dancing, zoo visits, and attending the splash pad, Joseph finds immense joy and fulfillment in these experiences. His sense of humor and camaraderie with his peers and team members add a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere to the center.

When asked about his time at Ameriserve DayHab, Joseph expressed, "I love coming to DayHab here because I am treated with respect, and I like going on community activities with my peers." His profound appreciation for the supportive environment and the dedication of the team is evident in his positive outlook on life.

Joseph's progress towards greater independence has been truly inspiring to witness. His determination and resilience have made him an absolute joy to have at DayHab, and we eagerly anticipate the promising future that lies ahead for him.

At Ameriserve DayHab, we take pride in nurturing an environment that fosters individual growth and empowers each client to lead fulfilling lives. Joseph's remarkable journey exemplifies the meaningful impact of our program, and we remain committed to supporting him and others in their pursuit of independence and happiness.



# Spotlight

# ASI Anniversaries!

Wayne Nielsen 08/01/2005 (18 years)

Amber McDowell 08/14/2007 (16 years)

Tanja Ebert 08/15/2016 (7 years)

Sarah Smith 08/12/2016 (7 years)

Corina Gray 08/31/2016 (7 years)

Brittany Jones 08/16/2018 (5 years)

Hailey Woodbury 08/20/2018 (5 years)

Vicki Reed 08/29/2018 (5 years)

Amber Scangarello 08/10/2021 (2 years)

Tonya Turner 08/31/2021 (2 years)

Pia Franklin 08/31/2021 (2 years)

Janelle Rolfes 08/05/2022 (1 year)

Artayvia Dunlap 08/05/2022 (1 year)

Chesterie Killebrew 08/09/2022 (1 year)

Alice Quelch 08/15/2022 (1 year)

Katilyn Olinde 08/16/2022 (1 year)

Jatalia Smith 08/18/2022 (1 year)

Ailish Andersen 08/30/2022 (1 year)



## ASI Birthdays!

August 4th: Lacey Greiner, Elena Reedy, Jatalia Smith, Kizzie Wilson.

August 5th: Tara Marsh

August 7th: Anthony Evero

August 8th: Deana Blunt, and Kyle Clemens.

August 9th: Amber McDowell

August 10th: Brenton Tibbs and Latia Young

August 11th: Ailish Andersen

August 14th: Breonna Gerren and Shaylin Savage

August 15th: Dennis Stolz

August 16th: Katilyn Olinde

August 17th: Patricia Ring

August 18th: Brittany Jones and Breanne Rea

August 19th: Brenna Livingston

August 21st: Alyssa Thiles

August 24th: Torre Childers, Robin Ganske, and Davon Scott.

August 27th: Tyna Anderson

August 28th: Jeanie Hall

August 31st: Amber Esquivel and Tasha Philmalee





# ASI University



Congratulations too: Cathrine Kenny, Jodie Williams, Adan Iniguez Rios, Mashia Reed, Loren Knauss, Brenton Tibbs, and Kyle Payne for completing Caching 1!



Congratulations too: Israel Chavez, Courtney Carmichael, Michelle Jahde, Summer Andersen, Breanna Reed, Janelle Rolfes, Sierra Ross, and Marissa Mitchell for completing Coaching 1!



Congratulations too: Daniella West, Jessica O'Neal, Elizabeth Doty, Tanika Grotz, Amanda Carpenter, and Tree're Edwards for completing Coaching 1!

# 🌟 Goal Achievements: 🌟

Katelynn Malik was promoted to a LCSR!

Amanda Prokupek got engaged!

Breanne Rea bought a house!

Tyna Anderson bought a new car!

## Upcoming Events and Holidays:

Aug 1st - Music Bingo  
Quaker Steak and Lube  
7:00 to 9:00PM

Aug 2nd -Adult Board Game Night  
Council Bluffs Public Library  
6:00 to 8:45PM

Aug 3rd- Hydrant Party  
Twelve Oaks Drive & Butler Street  
1:30 to 2:30PM

Aug 5th – Sunset Park  
Disney’s “The Game Plan”  
Activities begin at 7PM and movie begins at dusk  
(approximately 8:30PM)

Aug 5th - Veterans Memorial Car Show  
623 6th Ave, Council Bluffs, IA  
9am

Aug 5th- Council Bluffs Municipal Airport  
Annual Pancake Breakfast / Fly-in / Open House  
8:00 to 11:00AM

Aug 6th - 89.7 The River's River Riot  
Westfair Fairgrounds and Amphitheater  
4:00 to 11:45PM

Aug 6th - 3rd Annual Touch a Truck  
Ditmars Orchard & Vineyard  
10:00 to 2:00PM

Aug 8th- Hydrant Party  
Lakin Campus  
1:30 to 2:30PM

Aug 10th and 17th- Red Cross Blood Drive  
Council Bluffs Library  
9:00 to 2:00PM

Aug 13th - Water Lantern Festival  
Big Lake Park  
5:30 to 9:30PM



Aug 15th - Adult Coloring Club  
Council Bluffs Public Library  
6:30 to 8:00PM

Aug 16th - Adult Board Game Night  
Council Bluffs Public Library  
6:00 to 8:45PM

Aug 17th- Bike Night  
100 Block  
5:00 to 10:00PM

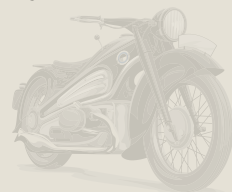
Aug 18th- Guided Walking Tour  
Fairview Cemetery  
6:00 to 7:30PM

Aug 20th- 89.7 The River's Rockfest with Alice in Chains &  
Breaking Benjamin  
Westfair Fairgrounds and Amphitheater  
3:00 to 11:30PM

Aug 25th- Night Market  
Turner Park  
3110 Farnam St, Omaha, NE  
6:00- 10:00PM

Aug 26th- Hippy Fest  
Falconwood Park  
905 Allied Rd, Bellevue, NE  
12:00- 7:00PM

Aug 27th- Wags & Wheels Car Show  
Iowa Western Community College  
12:00 to 4:00PM



Every Thursday Council Bluffs Farmers Market Bayliss 430pm-730pm  
Every Saturday River City Farmers Market YMCA Healthy Living Center 9am-12pm



# ✦ Continuing Education! ✦

In the month of August, Continuing Education is Behavioral Support Alternatives. Behavioral Support Alternatives is an annually required training at AmeriServe!

Our Continuing Education facilitators have worked hard and diligently to revamp our annually required trainings to make them more interactive, and more fun.

Call the front desk to get signed up today!

**"Making personal and corporate improvement a way of life"  
August 2023 Con Ed classes**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) – Becky H.  
Wednesday, August 2nd (3:30PM-5:30PM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) – Alex P.  
Monday, August 7th (10:00AM-12:00PM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) - Alex P.  
Wednesday, August 9th (5:30PM-7:30PM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) - Chaslyn B. & Diana S.  
Monday, August 14th (8:30AM-10:30AM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) – Becky H.  
Saturday, August 19th (8:30AM-10:30AM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) - Becky H.  
Wednesday, August 23rd (12:00PM – 2:00PM)**


**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) – Becky H.  
Tuesday, August 29th (2:00PM-4:00PM)**

**Behavior Support Alternatives (REQUIRED) – Chaslyn B & Diana S.  
Wednesday, August 30th (3:30PM-5:30PM)**

**Earn \$100 CASH for attending!**

**(Employees are only eligible for \$100 bonus once per month)**

**Note: if you are more than 5 minutes late to class, you will not be able to enter  
To sign up for class for July, please call the office at 712-322-0272 to register.**



Please join us for our

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## PARTY

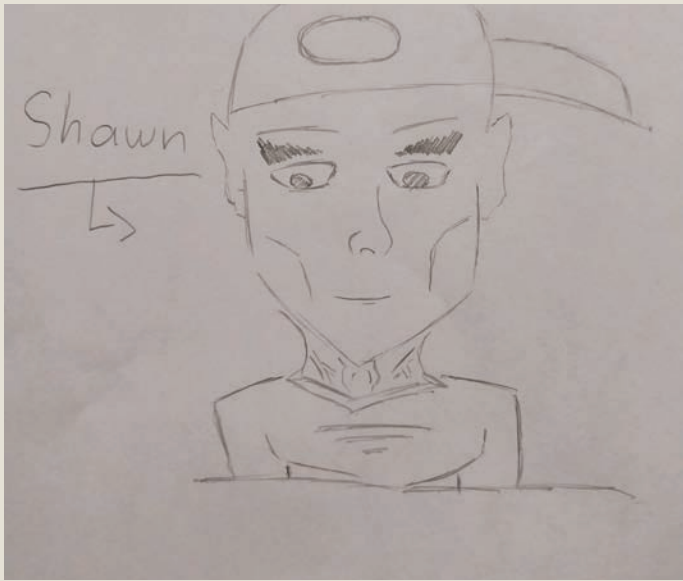
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17th  
*11am - 2:30pm*

Lake Manawa Park  
Shelter #7

Music | Food | Games | Snow Cones



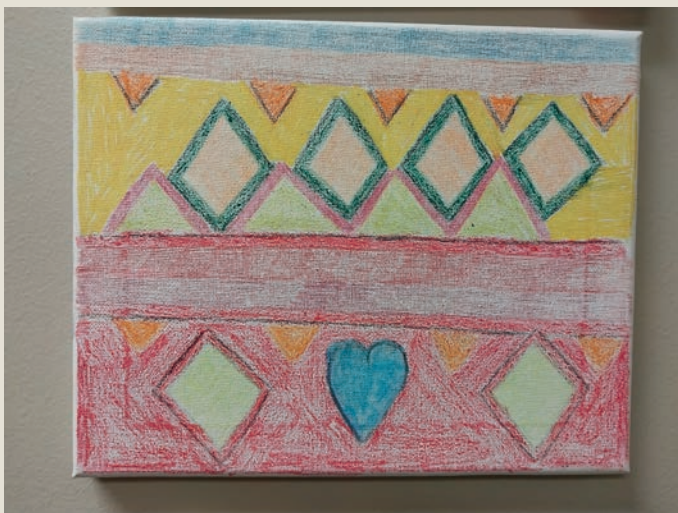
# Client Creativity



Calvin M.



Reagan B.



Dennette J.



River B.

# Volunteering in the community



Ameriserve DayHab has established fruitful partnership with Heart Ministry Center for weekly food pantry support. In a significant move towards community enrichment, Ameriserve DayHab has recently forged a promising alliance with The Heart Ministry Center, aiming to contribute to the ongoing efforts of their weekly food pantry. This new collaboration is poised to make a substantial difference in the lives of community members in need.

Under this transformative partnership, one or two classes from each center will dedicate their time to volunteer at the food pantry every week. The volunteer services provided by DayHab clients encompass a range of crucial tasks, including assisting community members in selecting appropriate food items, efficiently packing these items in bags and boxes, as well as loading the provisions into their vehicles.

With the inception of this joint endeavor, the clients of DayHab have found tremendous satisfaction in participating in this noble cause. The act of aiding community members in fulfilling their basic nutritional needs has instilled in them a profound sense of joy and fulfillment, knowing that they are making a tangible difference in the lives of those facing hardship.

Looking ahead, Ameriserve DayHab eagerly anticipates a continued and enduring partnership with The Heart Ministry Center. The organization remains committed to exploring further opportunities and offerings from The Heart Ministry Center to seamlessly integrate their clients into the community. By doing so, DayHab seeks to enrich the lives of both its clients and the broader community. Together, Ameriserve DayHab and The Heart Ministry Center are poised to set a powerful precedent in the realm of community engagement. It is certain to leave a lasting positive impact on the lives of those served by the food pantry and reinforce the spirit of unity and compassion within the local community.





# Power of Proof

# ON AIR

with DJ Fergie



Danielle aka DJ Fergie has reached her goal of becoming a DJ for two online radio shows!

Danielle worked hard learning different programs, reached out to community members for advise and purchased needed equipment to run her shows. Danielle creates and prepares the playlist for each show. People can also call in and request songs they would like to hear.

Tune in every Friday 10pm-1am on Blue Streak Radio and every Saturday 3pm-6pm on 98.6 The Mix for The Dance and Romance Show.

<http://bluestreakradio.com:8000/radio.mp3>

<https://986themix.com/listen/s2.html>





# ASI Cookbook Recipe of the Month!

## Creamy Cucumber Salad

### Ingredients:

- 2 large cucumbers, thinly sliced
- 1 sweet onion, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon of salt

### For Dressing:

- 1 1/2 cups of mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons of vinegar
- 1 tablespoon of white sugar
- 1 teaspoon of dried dill.
- 1 teaspoon of garlic powder.
- 1 teaspoon of ground black pepper.



### Preparation:

- 1.) Mix cucumbers, onion, and salt together in a bowl. Cover with plastic wrap and let it sit for 15 to 30 minutes.
- 2.) Turn cucumber mixture into a colander set over a bowl or in a sink. Let drain, stirring occasionally, until most the liquid and salt has drained, 15 to 30 minutes. Transfer drained cucumber mixture to a large bowl.
- 3.) Whisk mayonnaise vinegar, sugar, dill, garlic powder, and pepper for dressing together in a bowl until smooth. Pour over cucumber mixture and stir until coated.
- 4.) Pour over cucumber mixture and stir until coated.
- 5.) Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 1 to 2 hours before serving.

End up making the recipe of the month? Send pictures of everyone creating the recipe to [klyons@ameriserveintl.com](mailto:klyons@ameriserveintl.com) to be featured in the next newsletter edition!



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