



From the Desk of Director Karly Howell

- March is DD Awareness Month, and we're asking everyone to help us spread the word about the importance of inclusion in our community. To show support, please join us in wearing burgundy on Friday, March 9th.
- In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, we are hosting our first after-hours event of the year on Friday, March 16th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We will have food, games, door prizes, and a DJ for a night of fun!
- If you find any new or gently used items that you are no longer in need of, we are once again collecting items for our rummage sale happening this summer. Items can be dropped off at our office during normal business hours or by appointment. It was because of your kind and generous donations to the sale that we were able to raise almost \$700 for ELWL through this event last year!

INDUSTRY OF THE MONTH TRANSPORTATION



Bill Miller was our guest speaker for the industry of the month in January, transportation. He has been a familiar face around the county for many years as a driver. What some may not know is that Bill is also a Township Trustee for Goshen Township. As a trustee, he is in charge of maintaining the roads with blacktop or gravel as needed. He also makes tough decisions about when to send crews out for snow removal and when to salt the roads to ensure optimum effectiveness.

Individuals completed 190 hours of volunteer services and 378 hours of community integration hours in January.

THIS MONTH'S FEATURED TRACTS

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION



Last month for "Guy's Day Out" the fellows got to watch a great win by the Canton Charge basketball team against the Raptors 905 from Mississauga, Canada. They also enjoyed some great food and a surprise visit by the Charge's cheerleading squad.

PRE- VOCATIONAL



Lauren has had some experience in the past working in restaurants and hopes that she may be able get the same type of work again in the future. To keep her skills fresh, she helps in our cooking class with making and serving drinks, setting tables, and washing dishes.

BIRTHDAYS

March Birthdays:

3rd – James C.
16th – Kathy B.
18th – Teena R.
22nd – David S.



Volunteer project ideas are always welcomed. Please talk to the Director about opportunities you see in your community.

“We Are Problem Solvers”.

There is a reason why this phrase is the first of the PCS Core Values.

It is the goal of our Leadership Team to grasp situations, no matter how big or small, and offer solutions in an effort to resolve matters that are important to individuals and families.

This is your center’s Leadership Team.

Kurt Kernan Regional Director

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Kurt brings 16 years of experience in the development disability industry and serves as a daily link between the PCS leadership team and its centers. Kurt has assumed leadership roles in vocational and day services for several programs in Central Ohio. Kurt has a B.A. in Arts in Humanities from The Ohio State University and is a Certified Red Cross First Aid/CPR Instructor. Kurt assists PCS affiliates to conduct best practices in compliance, staffing and service documentation.

Jaime Thornton Lead Regional Director

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Jaime is a 20 year healthcare veteran and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Healthcare Administration. She serves as the link between Person Centered Services and its centers. Her experience began as an STNA and transitioned to leadership roles in office supervision, home management and staff development. Her programming experience benefits all managers as they navigate issues of compliance, staffing and service documentation. She is a Certified Red Cross First Aid/CPR Instructor. Jaime's oversight and quality assurance initiatives strengthen the high standards of expectation that have become a trademark of the PCS brand.

If at any time you are dissatisfied with our performance, whether it pertains to an unresolved issue, insufficient communications, absence of follow through, or any other reason, our Leadership Team would like to hear from you.

News from Empowering Life Without Limits



**New Posters will
be delivered in
February**



MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME

**YOUR GENEROUS DONATION AND SUPPORT OF
FUNDRAISING PROJECTS ALLOW INDIVIDUALS TO
EXPERIENCE THE BENEFITS OF A LAKESIDE
VACATION GETAWAY.**



**WITH THE HELP OF OUR STATEWIDE NETWORK OF
AFFILIATES, THE GOAL IS TO RAISE ENOUGH TO
PURCHASE AND RENOVATE A HOME ON A LAKE TO
ALLOW INDIVIDUALS AND STAFF TO USE AT THEIR
LEISURE.**



Empowering Life Without Limits is a non-profit organization dedicated to empowering adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to build friendships, conquer life skills that result in a sense of worth, and maximize their excitement and wonder of the world around them.

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