

# **BRIDGEWAY WEEKLY MONITOR**

News Briefs from Human Resources

May 7, 2010



## **Don't Forget Mother's Day Sunday, May 9th**

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Grandma Cheryl Majeske (Residential Coordinator Kewanee) on the birth of her new granddaughter Rylee Ann Dooley. Rylee was born Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:16 pm. She was a whopping 10lbs 1 oz and 20 inches long.

### **Thank you Thank you Thank you!!**

The Prevention Program and I would like to thank Alice Philbee and Helen Bogart for being so flexible and quick when filling our corporate requisitions. Sometimes we can not requisition something until the last minute due to waiting for the money to arrive. Alice and Helen have made the task bearable and have made sure that the Prevention Staff have had what they needed to perform their job. Thanks again Alice and Helen.

Ronadene Bogener  
Youth and Family Service Director

### **MAINTENANCE WORK ORDERS**

*From: Robert Johnson*

When filling out the Maintenance Requests, please include the location details, i.e. Wing 8, room 23.

As we are moving people, and have new people on board, the Maintenance staff may not know who is sitting where.

A location listed on the work order as "Joann's office" does not supply enough information for our folks to find that location.

## KUDOS. . .

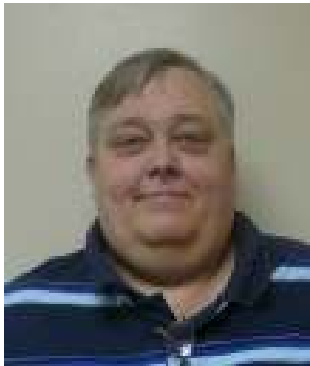
Diane Eager, Prevention Specialist, received a beautiful flower basket and a thank you note from the Alpha-Woodhull Data Strategic Framework Planning Group.

The thank you note read:

*Thank you doesn't seem enough for all of your efforts to guide us, direct us, PULL us along these past 3 years. It has been much more than just doing your job. Thank you.*

Way to go Diane.

## NEW EMPLOYEES



David Wilson  
Driver  
Hancock County



Gene Maxwell  
Driver  
Hancock County



John Kunze  
Driver  
Hancock County



Tom Tabb  
Maintenance Supv  
Galesburg

## BTS ACTIVITIES

- Note the following websites that now list Ursa Major stencils.

*From: Tom Colclasure*

The Ursa Major Superior Court Stencil is listed on:

The website for Anaconda Sports

[www.anacondasports.com](http://www.anacondasports.com)

on the website, in the left column click on "basketball"

then click on "accessories"

then click on "stencil kits"

The website for C&M Sporting Goods

[www.cmsportinggoods.net](http://www.cmsportinggoods.net)

click "on-line store"

click on "major sports"

click on "basketball"

click on "court equipment"

The website for Cannon Sports  
[www.cannonsports.com](http://www.cannonsports.com)  
click on “basketball”  
click on “basketball accessories”

The website for Dazadi Inc.  
[www.dazadiinc.com](http://www.dazadiinc.com)  
click on “basketball”  
click on “basketball accessories”  
click on “basketball court marking kits”

The Ursa Major USA Map and World Map are now listed on:

The Recreation Resource website  
[www.recresource.com](http://www.recresource.com)  
go to the bottom of the home page and click on “Playground USA/World map stencils”

- The Galesburg workshop is making good progress and will work thru the large numbers of IL-1040 mailings by the middle of next week. An assembly order for electrical components was completed and is being delivered this week.
- The Macomb workshop is filling a large order of stencils that will be shipped out on Monday. Twelve pallets of assembled hoses are being shipped to the Alliance Hose and Rubber Company.
- A potential confidential document destruction contract is being discussed with officials located at the Illinois State Police Headquarters in Macomb.
- Discussions continue with the Illinois Department of Revenue about the development of a new contract with the potential to substantially expand our data entry operation.
- The data entry operation is implementing an encryption process to comply with HIPPA regulations pertaining to Illinois Department of Public Aid (IDPA) documents.

## **JOB OPENINGS**

Community Support Specialist – Galesburg  
Community Support Specialist - Burlington  
Maintenance Worker/Driver - Macomb  
Employment Specialist - Kewanee  
Job Coach – Part-Time Macomb  
Janitorial Associate – BTS Bloomington Rest Areas  
Substance Abuse Counselor – Macomb/Monmouth/Galesburg  
HCBS Outreach Worker-Keokuk/Burlington  
Residential Assistants/MI – Kewanee & Galesburg (Pooled Position)  
Residential Assistant/DD – Macomb & Pekin (Pooled Position)

# HANGING FLORAL BASKETS TO BENEFIT CAMP KIDZ

Tammy Froelich and Bill Nelson

Triumph Services CAMP KIDZ is currently selling beautiful 10 inch hanging flower baskets to benefit the 2010 camp season. Now is a great time to decorate around your home or chose a thoughtful gift for family or friends which goes further to benefit children with disabilities. Orders are being taken now for pick up or delivery beginning May 20, 2010. There are four different flowering arrangements to choose from in an array of 13 colors presented in a 10 inch hanging basket. See the accompanying order form and place an order today with either Tammy Froelich or Bill Nelson. Thank You.

## CAMP KIDZ FUNDRAISER

10" Hanging Baskets

Makes a great Gift

While helping kids with special needs

Please make checks payable to: Triumph Services. Pick up date: Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup> 9 am-2 pm at KCCDD 2015 Windish Drive, Galesburg. Money and order forms due by May 14<sup>th</sup>. All 10 inch hanging baskets are \$18.00.

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Color Choices	Total Baskets	Total \$
Geranium Ivy violet____ red____ pink____ white____	_____	_____
Petunias red____ pink____ purple____	_____	_____
Fuschia light____ dark____	_____	_____
Geranium Zonal salmon____ white____ red____ pink____	_____	_____
Name _____	Phone _____	
Name of Person Selling _____		

If you would like Tammy Froelich to pick up your hanging basket from KCCDD please check box.

Yes please pick up my basket & I will pick up from Tammy at Creative Childhood Center May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank you for supporting Camp Kidz!**



# als awareness month

ALS is a disease of the parts of the nervous system that control voluntary muscle movement.

In the United States, ALS also is called Lou Gehrig's disease, named for the Yankees baseball player who died of it in 1941.

## **What happens to someone with ALS?**

In ALS, nerve cells that control muscle cells are gradually lost. In most cases, the cause is unknown. As these motor neurons are lost, the muscles they control become weak and then nonfunctional. Eventually, the person ALS is paralyzed.

Death, usually from respiratory complications, typically comes between three and five years after diagnosis (some studies say after symptoms are noted, so the timing is unclear). About 10 percent of those with the disease live more than 10 years, and some survive for decades.

Modern technology has allowed people with ALS to compensate for almost every loss of function to some degree, making it possible even for those with almost no muscle function to continue to breathe, communicate, move about and use a computer. Longevity statistics may be somewhat out of date because of changes in supportive care and technology.

ALS can strike people of any age, though it usually strikes in late middle age.

It's important to note that the involuntary muscles, such as those that control the heartbeat, gastrointestinal tract and bowel function, bladder and sexual functions are not directly affected in ALS. (However, prolong inability to move and other effects of ALS can have some indirect impact.)

Pain is not direct consequence of the disorder, although moderate pain can certainly occur as a result of immobility and its various complications.

Hearing, vision, touch and intellectual ability generally remain quite normal. Some people experience loss of control over emotional expressions such as laughing or crying, a phenomenon thought to be directly related to the disease process.

Of course, in such a devastating disorder as ALS, it's natural for people to feel angry, sad or depressed, whether or not they experience unwanted emotion episodes.

## **What can be done about ALS?**

Although ALS research is proceeding at an unprecedented pace, only one medication has been found to be somewhat effective against the disease and is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as an ALS treatment. That medication, riluzole (brand named Rilutek), has a modest effect in prolonging survival.

Several other medications are now in clinical trails (See "MDA's Search for Treatments & Cures").

Until a definitive treatment or cure is found for ALS, MDA clinics and centers use a team approach to patient care that mobilizes a variety of health care professionals, all of whom aim to alleviate symptoms, maintain function and independence, prolong life and offer guidance for those with this disorder and their families.

Source: <http://www.als-mda.org/publications/fa-als.html>

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