

UPCOMING EVENTS

Walk A Mile In My Shoes Rally

May 9th, 2012
Lansing Michigan

Caregiver Appreciation Day

May 17th, 2012
9AM-2PM
Pallazo Grand
Directions and Map will be given to each home prior to this event.

Bowl-A-Thon

June 14th, 2012
6PM- 8PM
300 Bowl
100 S. Cass Lake Rd.
Waterford, MI
We must Reserve Lanes so please Cortney Fortin @ Highmeadow if you or someone you know would like to bowl for a good cause.

Annual Company Picnic

August 10th, 2012
12PM-3PM
Indian Springs Metro Park
South Meadowlark Shelter
If you plan on attending the picnic this year, please contact June Garvey @ (248) 666-1388 no later than July 31st to RSVP.

News

The newsletter staff is always looking for more good things to report. Please submit ideas and suggestions to news@progressivelifestylesinc.org

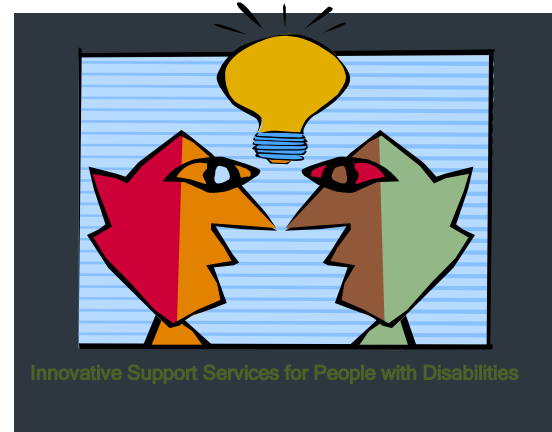


A Message from John Williams

Well, well, I think we have made it to Spring and the best part of the year is with us again. I cannot wait to get outside again! We have welcomed three new individuals to our homes over the winter.

Springfield, Eston, and Golf Lane each helped folks in need, find a good home. All of the new folks are doing very well and I am very proud of the work of staff at each of these homes. From my perspective it is clear that we are improving in helping people transition into new living arrangements. The sensitivity, planning, and outreach to family members has been nothing short of inspirational.

Many good events are coming up that are important to our company. First up is Staff Appreciation Day, we have a very large group attending again this year and the day should be a good one.



The fashion show will be on as usual; hopefully some of our folks are participating. The annual company picnic is being planned right now and will undoubtedly be better than ever. Our families are going to be invited this year and I think they will be very impressed with all of the great staff we have working for the company.

As always I would like to remind everyone about the free service available to all employees-Helpnet. Helpnet provides (5) sessions for a number of different services for each particular situation. In addition, there is web site that has many great features such as daycare providers, renting and real estate information, and other areas that may benefit you or your family. Also, remember we are still offering a small tuition reimbursement program that pays out twice year. HAPPY SPRING!

Progressive Thinking

Congrats

Congratulations to our new managers and assistant managers.

- Cassondra Barrett
- Nick Bieszard
- Ajeenah Kalimah
- Kirsten Nielson



Easter

Andrew Slezinski

We have just passed the Easter Holiday. Easter is much more relaxed than Christmas. Less hustle and bustle!

The coloring of hard boiled eggs has always been a huge part of Easter. My family usually did it on Saturday Night. One year my brothers and sister were gone to bed. I was alone with Mom and Dad in the kitchen and I spilled the egg dye on the floor.

Bowlers Wanted



Summer is quickly approaching and we will be having the summer bowling league once again. If any of the folks in your homes are interested in joining, please leave a list Attention: Destiny Ranbarger in Pleasant Lake's box at the main office no later than June 1st at 10AM

We will also be having a bowl-a-thon this year to raise funds for our annual picnic. Everyone is invited. The bowl-a-thon will take place on June 14th at 300 Bowl in Waterford. The cost is \$3.50 per game. In addition, a silent auction will be held at this event. If you or someone you know is interested in bowling for a good cause, please contact Cortney Fortin @ Highmeadow or leave a message with June Garvey for Cortney at (248) 666- 1388 with the names and phone number of bowlers you would like to sign up. We must reserve lanes soon so please RSVP no later than May 8th.

Anyone willing to donate items for the silent auction, please contact Brenda O'Toole at (248) 461- 2525 or leave a message for Ruth McCormick at the main office (248) 666- 1388.



We are attempting to organize another garage sale to help raise money for the company picnic. Please look thru your basements, attics and throughout your homes for unwanted items you would like to donate for us to sell. We also may be able to pick items up if necessary. Please spread the word to your family and friends as well. Anyone willing to help is welcome.

Progressive *Thinking*

Progressive Lifestyles, Inc. is a non-profit organization which provides support for individuals with disabilities in a residential setting for over 20 years. We are pleased to be having our annual picnic on August 10th, 2012. This event allows us to celebrate each other and also recognizes some very hard working staff. Thanks to those who made generous donations and the hard work of our volunteers, last year's picnic was a lot of fun for the folks we serve as well as the staff.

Please consider giving a gift to Progressive Lifestyles, Inc. to contribute towards our Annual Picnic fund or a general contribution so that we may continue to provide quality care and services for our residents. Any donation you provide is a tax exemption. Thank you for all your support and dedication to Progressive Lifestyles Inc.

_____ I would like to contribute to the Annual Picnic Fund

_____ I would like to donate a prize for the staff drawing (e.g. restaurant or department store gift cards, electronics, DVD's, movie passes, sports tickets, themed basket items, etc.)

Item(s) Donated _____

_____ I would like to make a general contribution

Total Amount Enclosed _____

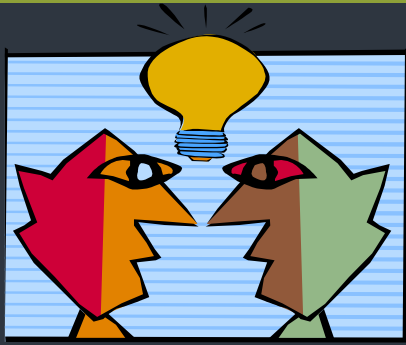
Checks should be payable to: Progressive Lifestyles Inc.

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Annual Company Picnic

The annual Company Picnic will be held on August 10th at the Indian Springs Metro Park from noon until 3 PM. We will be located at the South Meadowlark Shelter. We are inviting families to this year's picnic and we are hoping this year's event will be bigger and better than ever. So that we have an accurate count of how many people will be attending, please RSVP at (248) 666-1388 to June Garvey. Please leave your name and the number of individuals who will be attending and a phone number so that we may contact you back if we have questions.

Also don't forget to nominate a well deserving co-worker or team for an award. Nomination forms have been distributed to each home but if your home needs more forms, please feel free to contact June Garvey at the main office and she will make sure your home manager gets more copies. In order to be considered, nominations forms should be submitted to the main office Attn: Annie Turpin no later than July 10th by noon. Late submissions will not be accepted. In addition nominations for Home and Yard Beautification Awards must include pictures. Thank you and good luck!



Caregiver Appreciation Day

Caregiver Appreciation Day is around the corner. We will have a record number of people attending this year. A shout out is also in order for our friends at church home as they will be participating in fashion show. Can't wait to see you guys on the runway!

A Note From the Maintenance Supervisor

With the summer months quickly approaching, I wanted to take this time to remind everyone to keep the outside air conditioner units free of debris such as grass clippings, cotton, bugs etc. These units can be sprayed off with a hose. This will help to eliminate costly repair bills and give maximum efficiency. Thanks- Ruth