



# AVEYRON INK May/June 2018

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# 2018 ARRM Day at the Capital!

Aveyron Staff, along with hundreds of other direct care staff throughout the state, attended the 2018 ARRM Day at the Minnesota State Capital in St. Paul. The goal was to encourage our legislators to "Stop the Proposed 7% Cut" to the reimbursement rates for services received by several thousand Minnesotans with disabilities. A cut would prove to be devastating to affected individuals and the staff that serve them. There is still time to notify your legislators to stop these cuts from happening, by passing legislation and returning tens of millions of dollars in assistance to funding for supportive services.

To find your state representatives, you can go to:

www.gis.leg.mn/OpenLayers/districts/

## TOGETHER, we can make a difference!



Aveyron's Executive Director, Kathy Kalenberg, and office staff Molly Markgraf and Julie Johnson are shown holding signs in support of people with disabilities and their direct care staff.

# PROMOTING AVEYRON!

Thanks to our Activities
Coordinator, Sandy,
pictured right, for
representing Aveyron at
the 2018 Health & Career
Fair at the Ridgewater
Community College in
Hutchinson. Sandy
handed out applications
and gave away door
prizes to those that
stopped by.





### May is Bike Safety Awareness Month!

For over 20 years, Aveyron has joined forces with the Stewart, Hector and Buffalo Lake Lions Clubs to give bike helmets to the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders at the Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart Elementary School.

This year, on May 11<sup>th</sup>, Aveyron staff will present the helmets, along with safety activity books, with hopes that the students will **stay safe** while riding and wear their helmets.

# 2018 Aveyron Advocates

The Aveyron Advocate Program continues for the 6<sup>th</sup> year and we are very grateful to our many supporters!

The following list notes recent contributors who have helped fund celebration parties, movie tickets, crafts, and outings to special events:

- Stewart Lions
- Brownton Lions
- Hector Lions

If you would like to become an **Aveyron Advocate**, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.aveyronhomes.com">www.aveyronhomes.com</a> or call the office at 320-587-6277.



### **COLORFUL CREATIONS!**



Above, Kathy & Ashley are showing off their creative skills by coloring Easter eggs. Below, with rainbow cupcakes, are Kathy & Caroline.



# SMILE!

Jeannie from Osgood showing off her great smile after getting her teeth cleaned at the dentist!





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Congratulations to Beth and Erika from our Northwoods home! They will be graduating from the TAP program in May.







# A TRIP TO THE ZOO



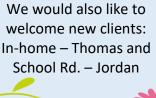
watching baby piglets play with each other, petting baby goats and sheep, and watching the flamingos, monkeys, and birds in the tropical exhibit. Pictured above from left are; Darla, Katie, Karen, Caroline and Kathy.

If we could talk to the animals, just imagine it, maybe with a moose or baby goat.... ©



Please extend a warm welcome to new staff members: Ellyse D., Julien P., Marianne B., Karen K., Jessica B., Melanie B., and Naomi M.

We would also like to welcome new clients:



### STAFF OF THE QUARTER



## **Congratulations**

Darlene Henke! Darlene was nominated for always willing to share time with our clients. She often changes her schedule to accommodate client needs.

Great job, Darlene!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### WE'RE HIRING!

Aveyron has a variety of open shifts available. **Pass the word** to co-workers, friends and family that we have career opportunities that are flexible and can work around busy schedules. A <u>referral bonus</u> is available and applications are accepted online at: www.aveyronhomes.com



Don't forget to check us out on Facebook

# Recycle

#### Reminder!

Don't forget to recycle your aluminum cans! There is a trailer designated for cans parked at Aveyron's office. (222 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW) Funds will benefit clients & support activities.

#### **New for Aveyron!**

Students, ages 16 & 17, can now apply to help assist our direct care staff. Limited hours and specific guidelines will need to be met. If you would like to know more details about this, please contact Natalie at the Aveyron Office.

320-587-6277 or natalie@aveyronhomes.com

#### **SAVE THE DATES:**

#### Thursday May 17th



Stop by the office between 1p and 3p. Our Health Care Coordinator, Melissa, will do free blood pressure checks. Those attending will be entered in a prize drawing.



#### Thursday June 14th

Aveyron's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Walk for Wellness at the Rotary Park from 4:30p -6p. Join us for a healthy walk, a light lunch, and a chance to win prizes.

# **Upcoming Events for May and June:**

- May 1 Adaptive Rec Bingo, 7-8:30p, \$5, Hutch Event Center
- May 4,5 Musical, "Always....Patsy Cline," Hutch Event Center, 7p, \$25
- May 5 City wide garage sales
- May 5 McLeod County Master Gardener Annual Plant Sale, 9a, Fairgrounds
- May 8 Adaptive Rec Talent Show, 7-8:30p, \$5, Hutch Event Center
- May 13 Community Bingo for Senior Citizens, 2-3p, Ecumen Pines
- May 15 Adaptive Rec Spring Dinner/Dance, \$10 or \$5 for dance only,
   Dinner at 6:30p, Dance at 7p, Hutch Event Center
- May 17-19 Christ the King Rummage Sale, Hutchinson
- May 19,20 Vendor and Craft Sale, Hutch Mall during Mall hours
- May 28 Memorial Day Parade/Program, Parade starts at 9:30 from Landy's Lodge, program begins at 10a at McLeod County Veteran's Park
- June 1 Dairy Days Celebration, 11a-1:30p, Library Square
- June 9-17 Hutchinson Water Carnival
- June 15-16 NTPA Power Pull Nationals, 7p, McLeod County Fairgrounds, \$18 advance,
   \$22 at gate
- June 17 Hutch Water Carnival Parade, 1p
- June 10 Community Bingo for Senior Citizens, 2-3p, Ecumen Pines
- June 20-23 Peace Lutheran Church Garage Sale, Fairgrounds

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May and June

May 5 – Cinco de Mayo

May 13 - Mother's Day

May 19 – Armed Forces

Day

May 28 – Memorial Day

June 14 – Flag Day

June 17 – Father's Day

Contact Sandy, Aveyron's Activity Coordinator, if more information is needed on the above events: sandy@aveyronhomes.com or 320-587-6277 ext. 123