

AVEYRON INK JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2019 EDITION # 48

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2018 Staff of the Year!







Please join us in congratulating Angel Clarin as she is named Aveyron's 2018 Staff of the Year!

Winning Staff of the Year is determined by:

- Evaluation Score
- Least Medication/Documentation errors
- Training is current
- Actively employed for a minimum of one year

Along with her award, Angel received a \$100 cash prize!

Outstanding Team Player!



Congratulations, Dan Clark!

Dan was nominated for this award for his help in picking up many shifts at School Rd. Thank you, Dan!

Grant Money awarded to Aveyron!

Aveyron was the recipient of a generous grant from Hutchinson Community Foundation. Accepting the award, are Julie Johnson, Melissa Christensen, Sandy Sturges, Ian McDonald, Dave Sebesta and Community Foundation member, Steve Gasser. The grant money will be used to update computers at our homes.





CLIENT CONNECTIONS





Joan getting pampered on her birthday! Looking great at 78!











The Century
ladies were
having fun
decorating for
Christmas!
Pictured left are
Dana, Katelyn,
Paula and staff
Lauren. Pictured
right is Dana,
proudly
displaying her
handmade
decoration!



From our Aveyron Family to yours, wishing you a New Year filled with peace, comfort and joy.



Human Resource Manager Changes

Natalie will be leaving us.....

After fourteen years of dedicated service,
Aveyron's Human Resource Manager, Natalie
Reiter, is retiring at the end of January. Natalie
was hired in 2004 as an Administrative Assistant.
She also worked as a Program Coordinator and
Activities Coordinator before being promoted to
Human Resource Manager. We are sad to see her
go, but wish her well as she begins a new chapter
in her life!

Thanks and Farewell, Natalie!

Krystal will be joining us......

Please join us in welcoming Krystal Miller as she joins Aveyron as the new Human Resource Manager! Krystal joins us with experience from West Central Industries, Inc. and most recently from Regional Eye Center. Krystal resides in Glencoe, Minnesota. In her spare time, she enjoys cooking, baking and spending time with her family.



Welcome and Congratulations, Krystal!

Tiger Path!



Aveyron's Executive Director, Kathy Kalenberg, enjoyed her time meeting high school students at the "Tiger Path" career fair. Kathy used the above display to show some of the great things that Aveyron has to offer!



Getting in the Holiday Spirit are Century ladies Rachel and Paula. They, along with staff Amy, took a trip to Willmar to see the Holiday Train. They enjoyed the festive lights and went out to dinner too!

HELP END CUTS TO DISABILITY SUPPORTS

32,000 Minnesotans with disabilities rely on community-based services to live their best lives! (95% of which are paid for by Medical Assistance) Payment rates for these services are set by the state, and **directly affects staff wages.**

When the 2019 legislative session begins, we need your help to contact our state legislators asking them to pass the Best Life Alliance legislation that would end the 7% cut and set our disability services rate system on a more sustainable path into the future.

The more people that contact our legislators, the greater chance that our combined voices will be heard! To find out who represents you, you can go to: www.gis.leg.mn/OpenLayers/districts/

2018 Aveyron Advocates

As 2018 comes to a close, we would like to thank our **Aveyron Advocates**, on the list below, who have generously given their support over the past year. Many have supported Aveyron since our program started in 2013! Our Advocate's support has allowed Aveyron to purchase items for client activities such as craft supplies, movie tickets and sporting events. We have been able to purchase staff appreciation gifts and bike helmets that are given to area grade school students; just to name a few!

If you would like to become an Aveyron Advocate, please visit our website at: www.aveyronhomes.com or call the office at 320-587-6277.

Brian Ahlfs

Diana & John Anderson

Howard & Mary Kay Biegler

Brian & Bev Bonte

Earl & Konnie Brunberg

Brownton Lions

Duane, Marjorie & Brock Bucklin

Buffalo Lake Lions

Deb Christensen

Citizen's Bank and Trust

Council of Catholic Women, Lori Dahlberg, Dassel

Gwen Daniels

Linda DeWitte

Dobratz-Hantge Funeral Home

Sarah & Brad Dunn Family Rexall Drug

Orvilla Gebhardt

Glencoe Knights of Columbus Glencoe Regional Health Services

Hector Lions

Gerald Heintz, Heintz Floor Covering

Vern & Barb Husemoen

Hutchinson Co-Op Hutchinson Dental Center

Hutchinson Knights of Columbus

Hutchinson Lions
Tim & Julie Johnson



K& S Millwrights, Buffalo Lake

Rich & Kathy Kalenberg

Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kirsch

Knights of Columbus #4797

Gary & Sherry Knudsen

Larry Ladd

David Ladd

Mary Lorence

Ian & Kathy McDonald

Father Jerry Meidl

Charles & Barb Melberg

Minnesota State Fair

Susan Noyes

Gladys & Paulus Pilgrim

Primary Eye Care

Sandy Radloff, Hutchinson Therapeutic

Massage

Rexall Drug

Ken & Patti Rodmyre

Dave & Jan Sebesta

Ruth Smoldt

Southwest Eye Care

State Theater

Stearns Foundation, Corey Stearns

Stewart Lions

Sheryl Stranberg through Thrivent Financial

Sandy & Steve Sturges

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE'RE HIRING!

Aveyron has a variety of open shifts available. **Pass the word** to friends and family that we have career opportunities that are flexible and can work around busy schedules.

Young adults, ages 16 & 17, can also apply to assist our direct care staff. Limited hours and specific guidelines are in place for those younger than 18.

Don't forget about the <u>referral bonus</u> that's available! Applications are accepted online at: <u>www.aveyronhomes.com</u>

Welcome!

Please extend a warm welcome to new staff members:

Lauren W., Keith B., Abby S., & Nicole B., welcome back to Laura M.

We would also like to welcome new clients: Debrah D., Kirsten W., Cadi B. & Ambrosia H.

Upcoming Events for January and February:

- Jan. 1 Happy New Year!
- Jan. 8 Adaptive Rec New Year's Bingo, \$5, Hutchinson Event Center
- Jan. 10 Free Family Fun for Families with Children ages 4-10, 4:30-7p, Ridgewater, Hutchinson
- Jan. 13 Bingo for Senior Citizens, 2-3p, Ecumen Pines Dining Room, 25cents/card & \$1 coverall
- Jan. 13 Free Family Fun for Families with Children ages 4-10, Rocket Hill, 2-4p
- Jan. 17,24 Pub Trivia, 7p-9p, Landy Lodge
- Jan. 19 Ice Fishing Contest & Raffle, 3-6p, south end of Lake Allie, \$5 entry fee
- Jan. 19 Winsted VFW & Auxiliary 10th Annual Chili Feed, 4-7p, Winsted Legion, \$10
- Jan. 22 Adaptive Rec Below Zero Dance, Hutchinson Event Center, \$5
- Jan. 29 Adaptive Rec Movie, Hutchinson Event Center, \$5
- Jan. 29 Beer & Hymns, 6p-8p, Main Street Sports Bar
- Feb. 2 Free Family Movies, "Despicable Me" & "Peter Rabbit", Century 9 Theater, 10a
- Feb. 5 Adaptive Rec Friend Bingo, Hutchinson Event Center, \$5
- Feb. 10 Bingo for Senior Citizens, 2-3p, Ecumen Pines Dining Room, 25cents/card & \$1 coverall
- Feb. 12 Adaptive Rec Red/Pink Dance, Hutchinson Event Center, \$5
- Feb. 26 Adaptive Rec Karaoke, Hutchinson Event Center, \$5
- Feb. 26 Beer & Hymns, 6p-8p, Main Street Sports Bar

Feb 1 – April 26 Hutchinson Jaycees Flower Sales. Purchase flowers on Jaycee website; www.hutchinsonjaycees.org

Every Sunday is Family Night at Buffalo Wild Wings from 4-9p, \$1.99 kid's meals and more Every Monday is Family Night at Landy's Lodge from 5-9p, kids eat free with each adult meal purchase Every Tuesday is Kid's Day at Pizza Ranch, Kids 12 & under eat free with each paid adult meal

Contact Sandy, Aveyron's Activity Coordinator, if more information is needed on the above events: sandy@aveyronhomes.com