



Hands of Heartland May



2023

We've reached May and, like every year, there is plenty going on! From fun parties, to games, to graduations, the last month has been a whirlwind! We hope you're enjoying the activities you've been participating in, and we hope you're taking some time to relax, too.

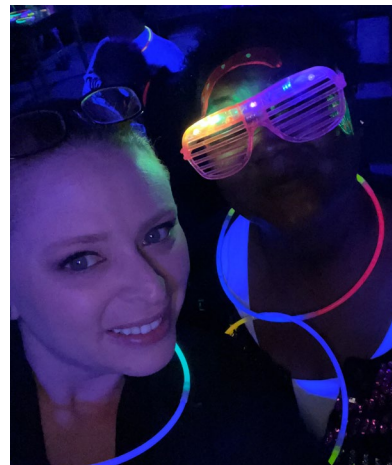
COMMUNITY

Glow In the Dark Party

Last month, HoH, Create-ables, and our Creative Coordinator, LaToyce Henry, put together an awesome event — a glow in the dark party! From LaToyce:

"Our participants walked into a glowing event full of glow sticks, a full-spread taco bar and, of course, the infamous mocktail bar. Participants mixed and mingled while vibing out to a playlist full of hits. The dance floor was full of our participants and HoH staff moving and grooving. Overall it was a successful event and our participants look forward to upcoming events."

Glow



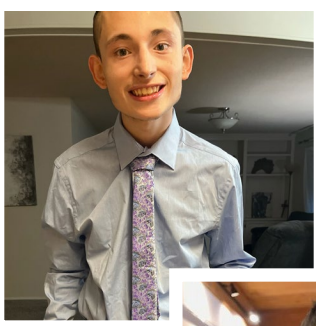


SPOTLIGHT

Hands of Heartland Spring Graduates

It's that time of year again! We couldn't be more proud of the Hands of Heartland participants who are graduating from high school this spring, and we want to make sure they know it! We've had such a meaningful time getting to know all of them, and are so excited to see where they go from here!

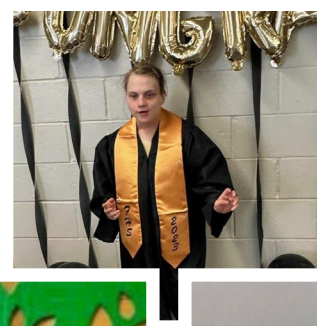
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Grand Island Public Schools



Jon R: ILC Transition Program,
Franklin Public Schools



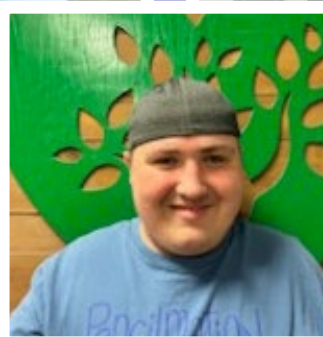
Shaylee C.
Fremont Public High School



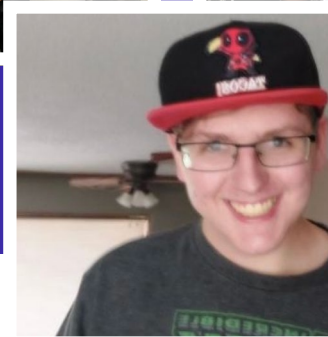
Lakeisha M.
Battle Creek High School



Noe C. Transition program,
Omaha Public Schools



Kaid D.
Lyons Decatur High School



Tyler S: Workforce prep,
Grand Island Public Schools

Not pictured: Jacob K., Ponca High School - Jeffrey S., Scribner-Snyder High School - Cole D., Norfolk Public High School

SPOTLIGHT

Team Member of The Month

It's time to highlight one of our outstanding team members again, and this time we're cheering on Angela Kadavy at our Lincoln location! The following is a quote from the team member who nominated her

"Angela goes above and beyond. She is always on time

and is very dependable. Angela has been a huge asset to our team. She came to us as a CNA, and has provided knowledge to others to help us all be better."



Want to nominate someone for Team Member of the Month?

Thank you to everyone who nominated a team member last month! While selecting a winner was not easy, it is such a joy to see that Hands of Heartland has awesome team members who are appreciated by their peers, as well as our organization as a whole. Please keep them coming! If you'd like to nominate a team member, please email TMR@handsofheartland.com



COMMUNITY

HOH Baseball Was a Home Run!

Hands of Heartland has their own team in the Allplay Miracle Baseball League. The Allplay Miracle Baseball League is a fun, free baseball league designed for people with a range of disabilities, with the motto: “Every child deserves a chance to play baseball.”

HOH has participated for several years, and there are always new players who join. It is an 8-week season, every Saturday. In addition to playing baseball, there are fun family events each week such as a pancake meal, the Omaha Stormchasers (our AAA baseball team) joining, and a Santa visit. We’re so proud of our participants, and can’t wait to play again next year!

CELEBRATING

May Team Member Birthdays

BELLEVUE

SKYE R (5/3)
BRIANA W (5/5)
TAMIKA F (5/6)
HEATHER J (5/9)
OPEYEMI L (5/12)
ESSENAM A (5/12)
ASHLEY H (5/16)
THERESA S (5/16)
AMANDA H (5/17)
RITA B (5/22)
ROYCE F (5/22)
JESSICA R (5/25)
MAHAMUD H (5/26)

KEARNEY

PETER D (5/1)
JASON C (5/28)

GRAND ISLAND

KATELYN H (5/17)
RUBY M (5/19)
TESHAWNA S (5/18)

WEST POINT

MICHELLE C (5/10)
MICHELLE H (5/13)
ESTEFANIA B (5/20)

LINCOLN

KRISTEN A (5/12)
BAILEY PAYNE (5/22)
SHAKIRA M (5/27)

FREMONT

JULIE T (5/7)

NORFOLK

DIXIE B (5/17)
LAVAE H (5/15)

CELEBRATING

May Team Member Anniversaries

BELLEVUE

KOMIVI A (1 YEAR)
BI TOHAN G (1 YEAR)
SPENCER V (1 YEAR)
JULIAN M (2 YEARS)
SHERRY N (2 YEARS)
JEREMY F (3 YEARS)
RITA B (3 YEARS)
JAMES K (7 YEARS)
CRYSTAL B (9 YEARS)

WEST POINT

ANGELA B (1 YEAR)
LAURALEE H (1 YEAR)
NAYDELI M (1 YEAR)

NORFOLK

KAY E (1 YEAR)
CHRISTINA K (1 YEAR)
ELIZABETH P (1 YEAR)

KEARNEY

CARLIE W (1 YEAR)

GRAND ISLAND

ZACHARY B (2 YEARS)

LINCOLN

ALEX A (1 YEAR)

