

babies, babies & more babies!!!

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO:

April Stiles, Osceola Therapist, had baby girl Shiloh Kate on January 1st.
Julie Cox, Pocahontas Therapist, had twin girls, Adelynn and Audrey, on February 1st.
Christen Higgins, Jacksonville Therapist, had baby boy Tate on February 15th.
Haylee Tucker, Osceola MHPP, had baby girl Sophia Grace on February 22nd.
Kim Routledge, Osceola MHPP, had baby boy Tripp Alexander on March 15th.
Amy Harding, Jonesboro Therapist had baby girl Chloe on March 25th.
Julie York, Trumann AA, had baby boy Zachary on March 29th.
Helen Shirron, Jacksonville Therapist, had baby girl Reagan Renee on April 2nd.

Best Wishes for
Continued Recovery

Joy Davis, President/Owner
 Brayli, Granddaughter of Ash Flat & Mt. Home Clinical Supervisor, **Shawn Dennis**.
 Amelia Hiltz, daughter of **Danna Mayhall**, Searcy Therapist
Judy McDaniel, Jonesboro Administrative Assistant

Sympathy to:

Shannon Moore, Trumann MHPP, for the loss of her father.
Pam Wilcoxson, Walnut Ridge MH Technician, for her loss of her mother.
Janet Stewart, Jonesboro Therapist, for the loss of her mother.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

april	may	june
APRIL STILES 4/1	JANA BURNETT 5/1	JAMANDA FENDER 6/3
DEBBIE BUCK 4/3	BRENDA BARKER 5/2	KARNILLA SCHINGOETHE-LEE 6/3
SUMMER BADER 4/6	WHITNEY SIEBERT 5/2	TERRI EVANS 6/6
KARI CRAWFORD 4/7	TINA TAIWO 5/3	JIM THURMAN 6/8
NAKITHA SCOTT 4/7	MELANIE COOK-DOBBINS 5/4	LISA COGGINS 6/9
LINDSIE SUTTON 4/7	ALICIA GARDNER 5/6	CHELSEA FIFE 6/11
LAURIE RUPLE 4/8	STACY MEDLEY 5/7	AMANDA COLLINS 6/12
MORGAN HALL 4/9	SHARON CURTIS 5/9	MICHELLE VEST 6/13
ALEX METCALF 4/11	PAULA MEDEIROS 5/10	BRIAN KOSTERS 6/14
GINA ANGLIN 4/13	AMANDA BAKER 5/11	CINDY RHOADES 6/14
VALERIE BRANNEN 4/13	BRITTANY MESSER 5/15	CARRIE MOFFITT-REAVES 6/18
DAWN LAYER 4/16	DEBRA COLVEY 5/16	TRACY BIRMINGHAM 6/19
DAVID SMITH 4/16	MARSUE CAINES 5/18	LAURIE RUMLEY 6/19
ASHLEY TAYLOR 4/18	CHRISTIAN SMILEY 5/18	ASHLEY STORMES 6/19
APRIL TOWELL 4/18	JESSICA EVRIDGE 5/19	MELINDA WALLIS 6/19
MARK GATES 4/19	LAURA OLDHAM 5/19	JANICE FRY 6/21
TONY DICKSON 4/19	TERRI CLARK 5/21	NICKY BRIGANCE 6/24
TONYA WRIGHT 4/19	MARC WILSON 5/21	STEPHANIE SAGERS 6/24
TAMMY HUNT 4/20	AMANDA HAMILTON 5/22	JOE BRANCH 6/25
PAUL SWYMN 4/22	ALICIA WHITLOCK 5/22	PAULETTE GRAHAM-MASSEY 6/25
SAMANTHA WRAY 4/23	CAREY DOBBINS 5/25	CARRIE HENDRICKS 6/26
CHRISTASIA COLEMAN 4/24	APRIL SCRAPE 5/26	SHERRY ADKINS 6/27
LESA DELANCEY 4/26	SALLY LEBLANC 5/27	BILL BOSCHERT 6/29
NEAL HARWELL 4/26	LYNDA NASH 5/27	CALEIGH ROMINE 6/29
STACEY BURNETT 4/28	WILL TRAVIS 5/27	SHAUNA TUCKER 6/29
ANITA DILLARD 4/29	SETH HANEY 5/28	MANDY CHILDRESS 6/30
MARTHA FLORES-DUPRIEST 4/29	JEREMY ANDERSON 5/29	REAGAN MARTIN 6/30
JULIE GARRETT 4/29	JANE BALDWIN 5/29	LISA MILGRIM 6/30
SHELLY HORTON 4/30	JUDY MCDANIEL 5/29	BEN MOORE 6/30
JUDY NICHOLS 4/30	RON TRIMM 5/29	ANGELA NEAL 6/30
	BEVERLY WALTERMIRE 5/29	BROOKE WEAVER 6/30

Your LINK to Families, Inc.

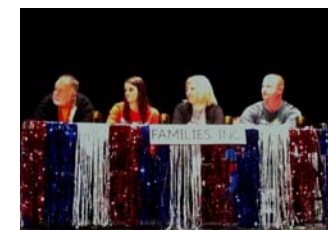


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Paragould Clinic wins 2nd Place in the Chili Rodeo benefiting Mission Outreach!



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES & MORE!



Paragould Clinic made it to the semi-finals in the Rotary Trivia Challenge benefiting Mission Outreach and the school backpack program.

\$1500 was raised at the recent Spaghetti Supper benefiting Relay for Life. Contact Team Captain **Lindsie Sutton** for more opporunties to raise \$\$\$.



WR Therapist Sarah Howard was the **OVERALL WINNER** in **Swifton Schools Baking Contest!**

Staff that are Foster Parents include: **Kim Tullos**, Searcy Clinical Supervisor, **Caleigh Romine**, Jonesboro Therapist; and **Leslie Baltz**, Jonesboro LPE. So proud of their giving spirit!



At the request of Black River Technical College, **Paragould staff** and **Shelly Horton** manned a table to provide support to students & **Paragould staff** turned out big for the Paragould Chamber of Commerce Membership Banquet!



Jonesboro Therapist **Wendell Smith** and family, and **Shelly Horton** and **Mark Thurman** represented Families, Inc. at the Annual Journey of Faith Banquet benefiting City Youth Ministries.

RECENT MISSION TRIPS

South Africa:
Joy Davis
Diane & Stacy Medley
Kendall Moss
West Africa:
Mark Thurman
Stacy Medley
Ethiopia & China:
Jon & Cassie Morgan

CONGRATULATIONS ABOVE & BEYOND AWARD WINNER...



2013 1st Quarter Winner

Recently, the Clinical Assistant position in Walnut Ridge/Pocahontas became vacant and we needed to quickly find a replacement. Lisa Milgrim, LPN, MHPP, stepped up in a big way for the last four weeks. In addition to the MHPP services she was already providing, Lisa agreed to serve as the CA three days a week to match the doctor's schedule in WR/Poc. With Lisa's background as an LPN, she was able to step in without Families missing a beat. This sort of dedication, added to the dedication of so many other clinicians and support staff, is what Families, Inc. was founded on.

*For going Above & Beyond, the Administration of Families, Inc. would like to say...
Your consistent hard work, dedication and perseverance is truly appreciated.*

THANK YOU!

Congratulations!

2nd Quarter 2013 nominations will be accepted until June 15th. Please send to Bob Puckett

We also received nominations that recognized the hard work of other great staff: Judy Nichols (Psych Dept), Lindsie Sutton (Admin), Sherry Adkins (Billing), Lisa Milgrim (MHPP-WR), Anita Dillard (CA-S), Stacey Burnett (CA-JB), Candice Martin (MHPP-Jax), DeAnn Richmond (MHPP-JB), Sarah Griffin (MHPP-O), Holli Shelton (LAC-O).



Wedding Congratulations

Stephanie Tull Dicus, Walnut Ridge Therapist married Scotty Alsup.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID...

brought to you by Certified Instructors

Shelly Horton, School Based Coordinator and Diane Medley, Training Coordinator.

Diane Medley and I are so excited about bringing a new educational opportunity to our Families, Inc. communities entitled "Youth Mental Health First Aid" (YMHFA). Following several recent tragedies across the U.S., CEO Mark Thurman and I began to research the "common denominators" within each event, as well as different programs that we felt addressed these concerns. A recurring theme during this research was the lack of identification of youth who are hurting or otherwise in trouble. In almost all of the reported crisis events, bystanders readily admitted to having recognized early warning signs, but failed to intervene. Most often, this failure to intervene was due to a lack of education. Mark became aware of YMHFA through his legislative contacts, and we were able to focus our research in this direction. The YMHFA program is designed to be presented to individuals in communities that work directly with youth such as schools, clergy, community youth programs, first responders, and juvenile courts, by giving them the tools that they need to identify adolescents that are at risk for or currently showing signs of mental health challenges. The clinical and qualitative evidence behind YMHFA demonstrates that it helps the public to recognize more quickly, understand, and respond to warning signs of mental illness, thus improving outcomes for these youth. The program provides a specific action plan to aid youth until appropriate interventions can be provided. We would greatly appreciate your help to spread the word of this program to your schools and communities. Please contact your Clinic Supervisor, Diane, or me for more information and flyers. You can also get more information for YMHFA by visiting on-line at www.mentalhealthfirstaid.org.

Thanks so much! Shelly Horton, School-Based Coordinator

Welcome to NEW STAFF... SINCE January 3, 2013

ASH FLAT
Kevin Neisler, LMSW
Therapist
Barry Gann
Jennifer Clayton
MH Paraprofessionals

OSCEOLA
Larry Dawson, LAC
Paul Goblisch, LCSW
April Scrape, RN
Therapists
Bill Estell
MH Technician

TRUMANN
Angie Self
Administrative Assistant

JACKSONVILLE
Danielle Hamilton, LAC
Scott Stephens, LMSW
Melissa Keller, LAC
Therapists
Carey Dobbins
MH Paraprofessional
Kimberly Mizer
Administrative Assistant

PARAGOULD
Kayla Mealer
MH Paraprofessional
Kimberly Randall
Graduate Intern

JONESBORO
Reagan Martin
James Betts
Heather Jones
MH Paraprofessionals
Mallory Broadway
APN Graduate Intern
POCAHONTAS
Stephanie Jones
Administrative Assistant
SEARCY
Stephanie Marlowe, LPC
Therapist
Jessica Evridge
Administrative Assistant



IT'S OFFICIAL!!! CONGRATULATIONS!!!

New Licensures for: Aaron Hannah, LMSW, Trumann; Stephanie Dicus-Alsup, LPC, Walnut Ridge; Christasia Coleman, LPC, Jacksonville; Kari Crawford, LPC, and R. J. Martin, LMSW, both from Jonesboro.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!!

After the loss of former therapist Jeff Woods from Searcy last May, Families, Inc. sought opportunities to honor his service. A donation was made to Camp Ne-O-Tez with the goal to build a gazebo to be used for Bible classes, small groups, social gatherings, and quiet times. "Jeff loved Camp Ne-O-Tez since childhood and he has left a legacy that will impact children for many generations", said camp representative Nancy Henley. In addition, Families, Inc. purchased an "Adolescent Treatment Planner" in his memory for his co-workers at the Searcy Clinic.

Families, Inc. Trumann Clinic partners with Three Rivers Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Marked Tree to provide mental health services to their residents. Three Rivers recently received an award for their "Nursing Home Innovator-Platinum Award" by Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care, and was recognized for significantly reducing the use of psychotropic drugs. "Our partnership with Families, Inc. is significant in our receiving this recognition", said Sherry Pearce, Community Outreach and Admissions Coordinator.

Trumann Clinical Supervisor, Dr. Dana Watson, was recently interviewed by KAIT8 for a story on "Early onset puberty and it's effects on body image", and by ASU-TV on a story about "Eating Disorders in adolescents and young adults."

Leah Everett, Paragould Therapist, has been chosen to participate as the mental health representative on the Circuit Court Improvement Project in Little Rock on May 8th & 9th.