

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

Gina Anglin	4/13	Kay Spence	4/6
Jolene Benedict	4/21	Brian Stiles	4/24
Debbie Buck	4/3	Cindy Tyner	4/1
Judy Dunn	4/16	Dana Wagner	4/30
Christa Eldridge	4/12	Mattie Warren	4/30
Dawn Grandon	4/7	Tonya Wright	4/19
April Green	4/15		
Neal Harwell	4/26		
Shelly Horton	4/30		
Dawn Layer	4/16		
Dianna Rotscheid	4/28		
Laurie Ruple	4/8		
Nakitha Scott	4/7		
Yasheka Somlar	4/19		



May

Beverly Waltermire	5/29
Judy McDaniel	5/29
Jane Baldwin	5/29
Ron Trimm	5/29
Jewell Tucker	5/23
Lynda Nash	5/27
Brenda Barker	5/2
Paula Medeiros	5/10
Carmen Foster	5/29
Marc Wilson	5/21
Alicia Whitlock	5/22
Christian Smiley	5/18
Adam Burnette	5/15

June

Jim Thurman	6/8	Amber Denza	6/25
Vonda Keasler	6/24	Shalynn Duke	6/15
Terri Evans	6/6	Amber Weaver	6/30
Jeffrey Woods	6/18	Shauna Tucker	6/29
Dr. Mervin Leader	6/29		
Lisa Coggins	6/9		
Stephanie Chapps	6/8		
Michelle Vest	6/13		
Tawanda Harris	6/2		
Cindy Rhoades	6/14		
Carrie Moffett-Reaves	6/18		
Ken Medley	6/11		
Joe Branch	6/25		
Lisa Milgrim	6/30		
Jeff Cline	6/16		



Baby Congratulations!

Lisa Bowen, Walnut Ridge Case Manager, welcomes new grandbaby, Logan White.

Sympathy to:

Anna Gatlin, LCSW, QA Officer, for the loss of her father, Malvin Gatlin.

Natasha Wheeler, Pocahontas Administrative Assistant, for the loss of her grandfather, Guy Amos.

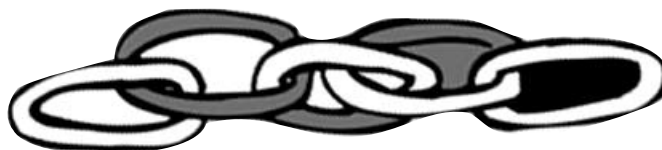
Christie Walker, Osceola Clinical Assistant, for the loss of her brother, Donald Munsey.

Sharon Travis, Director of Clinical Operations, for the loss of her brother-in-law.

Wishing a Speedy Recovery to:

Hogan Crecelius, husband of **Bridget Crecelius**, LPC, Jonesboro Therapist, who was seriously injured in a boating accident. You may visit the website caringbridge.org/visit/hogancrecelius to send your well wishes.

Your LINK to Families, Inc.



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Message from Joy...

I wanted everyone to be aware that I've recently been diagnosed with breast cancer. I will be meeting with doctors at Vanderbilt this week to discuss my treatment options. I am actually feeling good about beginning treatment and am confident that everything will turn out well.

I appreciate so much your expressions of concern and thank you for your continued prayers.

Joy

TORNADO DESTROYS HIGHLAND CLINIC!

Tragedy struck the town of Highland, along with several other communities in Arkansas and other states, on Tuesday, February 5th, 2008. A tornado touched down about a mile south of Ash Flat and tracked northeast, cutting a 9-mile-long, half-mile-wide swath through the Sharp County countryside. More than 40 businesses and more than 80 homes were damaged or destroyed, according to the *Jonesboro Sun* newspaper.



Families, Inc. was located in the lower level of the Midway Plaza that was totally destroyed. A crew of staff from Highland and Jonesboro worked diligently to clean up and secure a new location in nearby Ash Flat. The second picture shows our mission statement banner. (Pictured (L-R) are **Ellen Gann**, Clinical Assistant, **Shaylynn Duke**, Intern, **Tom Ray**, Highland Clinical Supervisor, and **Mark Thurman**, COO). As Tom said “Our old building may be gone but our mission, to help families reach their fullest potential, survived!”



Families says a **heartfelt thanks** to Tom and his staff for their diligence, from day one, in transitioning to the new clinic.

Announcing Retirement!

Jay Waltermire, long-time Purchasing Agent (and lots of “other duties as assigned”), will be retiring on Friday, April 18th. A reception is being planned in his honor for that day. (There will be more details soon.)

As he has already purchased a golf cart, it appears he is planning to play quite a bit of golf, and am guessing watch some Razorback sports, and probably cater to his beloved, Beverly, a whole bunch!

Jay, it has been a true pleasure to work with you (ok, well “most” days - HA)! We all **thank you** for your dedication to Families, Inc. and wish you all the VERY best in your retirement!

Families, Inc. Staff - Supporting our communities...and our clinics!

Kendell Camp & Christian Smiley, Jonesboro therapists, and **Laura Madden**, Jonesboro Case Manager, have teamed up with the Bay school counselor to offer a GAP (Grandparents as Parents) Support Group, one night a month. It has been extremely well-received and has produced several new referrals.

Paula Norvell, Osceola Clinical Supervisor, and **Sarah Griffin**, Osceola Case Manager, represented Families, Inc. one Saturday at a DHS Community Health Fair. This also resulted in three new referrals.

Welcome to NEW STAFF... since February 11, 2007

JONESBORO
Christa Eldridge
Lucretia Beecham
Case Manager
Derick Carter
Special Projects
Assistant
Hailey Vaughn
Intern

MOUNTAIN HOME
Jolene Benedict
Case Manager

SEARCY
Morgan Harrell
Filing Clerk
Winter Yielding
Benjamin Okai
Steve Armitage
Tara Taliaferro
Lacy Clayton
Rebekah Wyant
Interns

OSCEOLA
Bobbie Harris, LCSW
Therapist
Tracy Jackson, RN
Therapist
PARAGOULD
Jennifer Starnes
Administrative Assistant
Ron Trimm, LAC
Therapist

POCAHONTAS
Carolyn Ballard, RN
Therapist
Gina Anglin
Courtney Johnson
Aaron Kimberland
Case Manager
TRUMANN
Julie Veteto
Administrative Assistant
ASH FLAT
Kim Evans
Case Manager

Congratulations! Congratulations!

Allison Poe, Paragould Therapist, and **Shea Lang**, Osceola Therapist, are both now LCSW's!
Vonda Keasler, Walnut Ridge Case Manager, is now a therapist with her achievement of her LMFT! **Judy Dunn**, Mountain Home Case Manager, and **Suzie Eudaly**, Searcy Case Manager, are new therapists since achieving their LAC!
Jennifer Clester, former Paragould Administrative Assistant, has transferred to Case Management in Paragould.
Pocahontas Clinic passed the APS & First Health audits with “flying colors”!
Judge Barbara Halsey gave a rave review to **Families, Inc.** recently when she said she had “heard a lot of good things about Families.”!
Mountain Home, home to one of our outpatient clinics has been recognized as *Outdoor Life Magazine's* “Best Places to Live - Top Outdoorsman Town” and one of *Field & Streams* “Best Fishing Towns in America”!
Jonesboro, home to our corporate office and first outpatient clinic, has been recognized as *Forbes Magazine* “Best Places for Business and Careers - #46 of Small Places”!