

Summer Newsletter

TFS Family,

It's that time again for our TFS Newsletter. We are excited to share with you what has been happening with our individuals and the rest of the TFS family. We will be sharing our monthly outings, the lives of our amazing individuals we serve, and more. Let us know if you have any feedback or would like a story, photo or any other interesting stories that you would like to be considered for the next issue. If so, please email: newsletter@nashvilletfs.org. If you would like to see any of our previous issues, visit our website at www.nashvilletfs.org

Deionna Kelly

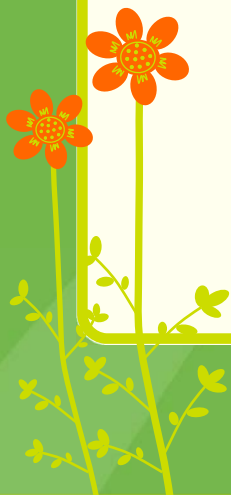


A Letter From Ralph

Many years ago now whenever the Parent/Guardian Association at Clover Bottom was trying to come to grips with what we feared would be the closure of the institution the thought of starting an agency seemed foolhardy. What do parents know about caring for their children? Well, that was the easy part. Meeting everyone else's expectations was, and still is, the hard part. It is remarkable that we have come so far knowing so little to begin with. God has been good and blessed our efforts to make the houses we built, homes for our special people. While we can marvel at what has been accomplished there is still work to be done...

TFS has operated a medical clinic and psychiatric clinic for some years now in an effort to improve the healthcare oversight we offer our residents. Still, we make too many visits to the Emergency Room. We believe the solution to our ongoing problems is the establishment of a full-time medical and psychiatric clinic for individuals with developmental disabilities. Our new office under construction in Smyrna will have a clinic operating on the first floor. The combined administrative offices for Murfreesboro and Nashville will be located primarily on the second floor. We intend to open these clinics to the public who have developmental disabilities in order to sustain the full-time operation of the clinics. The thought of starting a clinic may also seem foolhardy to some, but we will trust God to guide us in this project as He has in the past.

Ralph



The Big Pay Back!

In May, we participated in The Big Pay Back. This is a 24-hour, online giving event to help raise money for nonprofit organizations. The goal of this event is to inspire Middle Tennesseans to come together, show their pride in their communities, and contribute to support the life-changing work of local nonprofit organizations. This year, TFS raised over \$2,000. We want to thank every one for donating.



Ralph, Marla, Brittany, and Michele



Sarah and Jacob



All of our TFS team.





The Zoo



In May we went to the zoo to see all of the amazing animals for our monthly outing. As you can see, we took advantage of all the close encounters. We hung out with the birds and kangaroos, and we got to even feed the turtles!



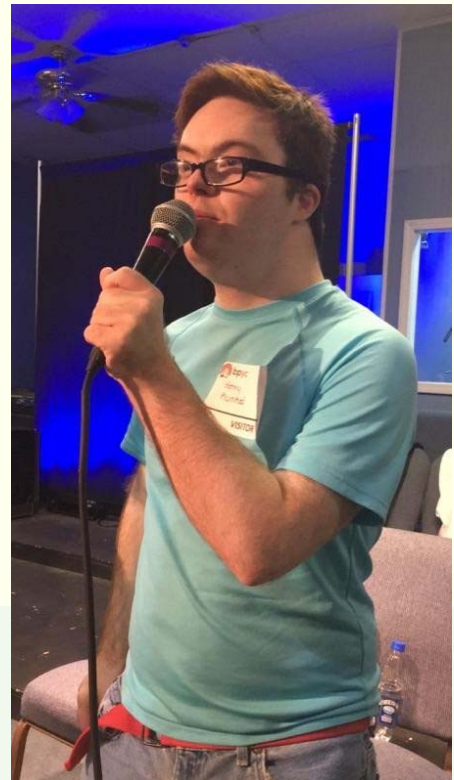
The lives of our individuals



Here we have Tristan, Johnny, and Greg with FTs Amber And Chris at Cummins Falls, as well as their visit to Memphis.



We also want to show off our very own Henry, performing at a youth camp church event in front of 700 teenagers. Good job Henry!!





Here we have Luke helping out with mowing the lawn.



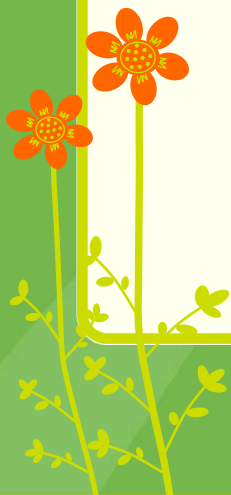
Randy being a part of the moving crew with his FT Gary, and LPN Rob. He also enjoys hanging out with Gary's dog, Jewels.



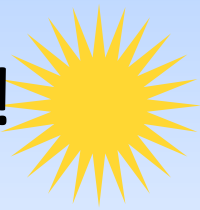
Don't you think Jacob's new decorations look good? I sure do!

Change of Scenery

As many know we are currently in the process of having a new office built in Smyrna. With this office we will be able to have all of our Admin Staff together in one office. We are looking at being moved in by the end of this year.



Make sure you stay cool in the sun!



Cake Batter Popsicle

Ingredients:

3 cups of vanilla ice cream
3/4 cup yellow cake mix
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup milk
1/2 cup sprinkles (I used jim-mies, nonpareils may turn your ice cream tie dye)



INSTRUCTIONS

1) Combine ice cream, cake mix, vanilla extract, and milk in a blender and blend on medium speed until thoroughly combined and smooth. Pour mixture into a bowl and mix in sprinkles. Spoon mixture into popsicles molds and freeze for at least 4 hours or over night. After 1 hour you can stick wood popsicles sticks in the molds if not using the holders that come with your popsicle molds.

2) When ready to serve, run luke warm water over popsicles molds for about 30 seconds to 1 minute. Let popsicles thaw for another minute or two before pulling from plastic molds.





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