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# HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CONTEST

New Dawn had a pumpkin decorating event in October for those that wanted to participate. These spectacular pumpkins were created by our individuals and staff, without any duplicate pumpkins. The winner of the event got a Pizza party to enjoy. The winners were: A tie between Summit and Clary. Great job everyone!!



Thank You to all that participated!!

# CAN YOU NAME ALL 8 REINDEER?



- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

Can you name the most famous reindeer of all?

Answers on last page 8 of newsletter

## Burlington Staff Christmas Party

Burlington staff used their green thumb putting together an outdoor planter in early December. They started with a planter and dirt, then added in greenery, berries, red dogwood, ornaments, pinecones and white birch logs. They were beautiful when completed. They brought them home and placed them outside their house.



L-R: Sharon, Asia, Denise, Jen & Jo with their finished outdoor planters



## A Christmas Gathering.....

The NDI Supervisor's were together for a Christmas gathering in December for some holiday food, fun & laughs. We all crafted a gnome pictured below. It was a fun morning and appreciated the time spent together. We all wish you a Merry Christmas and a Blessed Holiday Season.

NDI Supervisor's, Becky, Ruth & Jackie

Not pictured: Ruth & Jackie





## Holiday Baking

A day filled with baking goodies for the holidays happened at Linda Lane with Shaun, Lindsey, & Michael. These goodies will be enjoyed for the holidays by the house.

Yummy, Yummy & Yummy!

## Staff Christmas Party @ Roy Ave.

Roy Avenue had a Colors Day Annual Christmas party in December. They enjoyed a gift exchange, a gift from their supervisor, and enjoyed a potluck dinner. The outfits were very colorful and laughs were abundant. They wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New



Reindeer: Sandy



Front: Stephanie, Gail & Julie  
Middle: Sandy & Lori; Back: Paige



Mark & Jeremiah



## Clary Ornaments

Clary individuals decorated some Christmas ornaments for the tree in December. Very creative and will hang on the tree or be given to family members.

It's the Most Wonderful time of the Year



Christine, Erin, Carol & Kristin



Carol



Christine

## Staff Christmas Party @ Clary Street

Clary decorated gingerbread men and gingerbread houses in December. Erin brought all the supplies to decorate and create our own unique cookies. Christine & Carol were the winners on decorating. From all of us, We Wish you a Blessed Holiday Season. Merry Christmas



***NDI EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES***

***Congratulations to:***

***Stacy Kirlin—19 years***

***Kristin Tonsager—17 years***

***You each make a  
difference.  
Thank You***

***11-15 years***

Tara Torkelson—11

Thank you for  
Your dedication to  
NDI

***6-10 Years***

Aimee Barrie—6

Brandi Timmerman—6

Jay Jensen—7

Dora Sithad—7

***1-5 Years***

Nathaliz Vasquez—1

Hannah Vongphachan—1

Billie Jo Timmerman—2

Cole Nyberg—4

Abby Mormann—4

Thanks for your  
commitment

Cindy Rogers

Michael Marcotte

Mackenzie Miller

Sofia Herrera

Kathreeya Edens

Shawn Harvey

Sara Abraha

Michelle Wasielewski

Brianna Meinders

Macy Sazama

Alyssa Bosma

Melody Veen

Zhaynah Elhadad

**Merry  
Christmas**

**NEW STAFF**

***Welcome to NDI***

# Staff Quality Improvement Plan

## The following staff have received a \$25.00 gift card for our Quality Improvement Plan:

NDI had 25 staff meet the criteria for documentation for October, November & December 2019.

Burlington—Jo

Doratheia—Bobbi Jo

Linda Lane—Barb

Summit—Linda

Lloyd Ave.—Patricia

North Douglas—Julie

East Ave.—Jennifer

Johnson Lane.—Dora

Hillcrest—Paula

Thank you all for your great work!

### STARS OF LINDA LANE

These guys did a cool star project one weekend with staff. They painted their star and put either their name or initials on it.

Awesome job guys!



Mikey, Dan, Trent & Shaun



Happy  
40th  
Birthday  
Andrew

Andrew lives at Summit in Wgtn. The house celebrated his 40th Birthday on Dec. 5, 2019.

From all of us at NDI, Happy Birthday Andrew



HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

ERIC CELEBRATED HIS  
BIRTHDAY ON

NOV. 14TH!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ERIC



### Holiday Decorating

Dustin, Chris, Matt & Brenda  
Work on Christmas projects



Christmas simply wouldn't be Christmas without some holiday crafts. Coloring pages, cards, and crafts projects in process at Summit.



George had his picture taken while at a doctor office in Oct. in support for breast cancer



Jeremiah, Steve & Veronica

Jeremiah, Troy & Bob



Brenda & Troy



Amy & Chris



Dustin



### NEW DAWN CHRISTMAS PARTY

Everyone looks forward to this night, the New Dawn Christmas party. Friends, Food and Fun. The food was delicious, the Christmas songs fun to sing, Christmas outfits we adorned, the head attire we wore, and the memories we made. This is what Christmas is about. More than the gifts we give & receive, it's the people in our lives that makes Christmas special to us all.



George, Pat & Alan

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Brenda



Barb & Ray



Ray & Steve

**Thank You  
to all who came  
&  
made this night  
Memorable!  
NDI**

Niakoone & Veronica



# Breast Cancer Awareness October

Did you know that in 2019, it's estimated that among U.S. women and men there will be:

## Women:

- 268,600 new cases of invasive breast cancer
- 41, 670 breast cancer deaths

## Men:

- 2,670 new cases of invasive breast cancer
- 500 breast cancer deaths

Know how to do proper breast exams on yourself, and know the warning signs of breast cancer. Remember, not all signs and symptoms are the same for all women.

## 5 Breast Cancer Survivors within NDI

New Dawn has 5 breast cancer survivors. 5 women who have fought, overcome & survived breast cancer. Let's look at these amazing women.

**Stacy** was just diagnosed last year with breast cancer and underwent chemotherapy and surgery to fight her cancer. Stacy, you are a Beautiful, strong women. Stay strong, fight, and Congratulations on being a Survivor.

**Fanny** is a 6 1/2 year survivor and now retired. She lives in Fulda and enjoys her hobbies, coffee time and some TV. She is a tender, caring, and

tough women. Congratulations Fanny!

**Gail** is a 13 year survivor who was diagnosed with Ductal Breast Cancer. She works full-time in Fulda as a Designated Coordinator and is looking forward to retirement in the near future. She loves spending time with her family, grandchildren and enjoys reading, Hallmark Christmas movies and traveling, if someone will go with her. You're a Survivor!

**Julia** is a 3 year survivor. She works full-time as a Designated Coordinator running two homes in Worthington, and also helps on the family farming operation near Adrian. She enjoys her family, friends and spending time with her grandson.

**Kristin** is a 9 year survivor who was diagnosed with Invasive Ductal Carcinoma at the age of 39. She feels very fortunate that her doctor felt the lump during an annual physical. She doctored at Sanford in Sioux Falls and is happy to be called a survivor. She enjoys her family, friends, and doing many outdoor activities.



**WE ARE ALL SURVIVOR'S**

Stacy

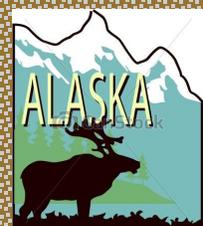


Kristin, Gail & Julia

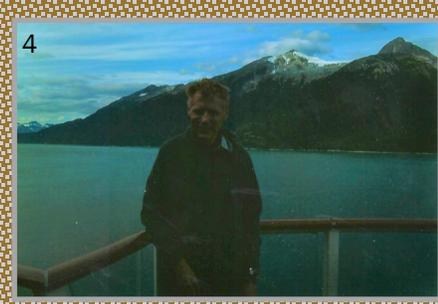


Fanny





# ALASKAN CRUISE



**Bob** adventured on an Alaskan Cruise in August 2019, leaving from the Minneapolis Airport on a 7 day cruise. Here are some of his favorite photos from his trip while in Alaska.

Picture #1: Hammer Travel group with the Alaskan Mountains in the background.

Picture #2: Favorite picture of the mountains in Alaska.

Picture #3: Bob and the Alaska sign where he also hiked.

Picture #4: Bob and the Alaskan Mountains from the cruise ship.

Bob works hard at Hope Haven and enjoys taking vacations every year. Thanks for sharing your favorite photos with us & hope you have many more vacations to come.

**Eric** had the opportunity to travel to Tokyo, Japan this fall on vacation. He traveled with the Ventures Travel, LLC company and several other companions. He enjoyed many new scenic sites, and in food selection. Eric spent 9 days in Japan touring, eating, sightseeing, and having fun. Here are a few of his favorite pictures from his Japan vacation.

Picture #1: Mount Fuji in Tokyo.

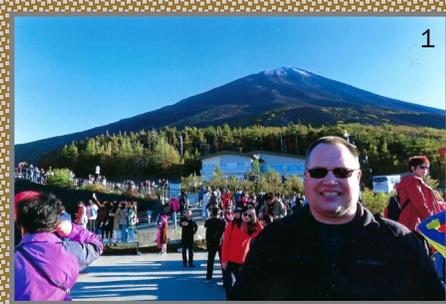
This is so scenic, one could look at it all day and not get sick of it.

Picture #2: Japanese garden.

Picture #3: Japanese shrine

Picture #4: Tokyo Disneyland where all your dreams come true!

Eric brought back several souvenir's, lots of pictures, and stories to tell a lifetime. Thanks for sharing some pictures with us.



## ANSWERS TO REINDEER NAMES:

- 1. Dasher 2. Dancer 3. Prancer 4. Vixen 5. Comet 6. Cupid 7. Donner 8. Blitzen

The most famous reindeer of all is: Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

# Future Events Worthington



*Feb. 2020—Bingo night at Living Water church in Wgtn*

*Feb. 14th—Valentine's Day*

*Feb. 17th—Presidents Day*

## Our Services

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Our community services are offered with dignity and respect. Persons receiving services, parents, guardians, case managers and other providers are all part of the **circle of support.**

## Our Mission

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“It is the mission of New Dawn, Inc., within a circle of support, to aid persons with disabilities in responsibly exercising their freedom of choice.”

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Board of Directors

March 26, 1996

