



Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Inc. Agency Newsletter

2nd Annual Community Link Fashion Show

~Nancy Miller – New Beginnings Older Adult Day Program

The Community Link Program of TCV MH/MR, Inc. held its 2nd annual Fall Fashion Show at St. Roberts on October 7, 2006. The event included a luncheon, craft sale, bake sale and a Chinese Auction that included baskets which were donated from various families and businesses. They were nicely done and a huge hit!

Everyone in attendance had a wonderful time. The clothing being modeled by our consumers came from Marshalls at the Waterfront. The Marshall's employees outfitted our models beautifully from head to toe. The lunch that was prepared by **Denice Scherrbaum** and **Cathy Hess** was excellent.

The hard work of the Community Link Staff, especially Denice Scherrbaum who coordinated the entire event from the chocolate leaf favors to the beautifully decorated tables and centerpieces, is to be commended. The Community Link consumers hand-crafted the fall-motif centerpieces and did an excellent job.

The Staff of New Beginnings ATF and Older Adult Program also should be acknowledged for their participation in making this event such a huge success. And again, The St. Robert Bellarmine Youth Group and many involved parents who generously volunteered their time is also truly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone involved and we can't wait to attend next year's event.



Models show off their clothes



Alyssa after her runway walk



Fashion Show participants

**Turtle Creek Valley
MH/MR, Inc.**

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SAFETY AWARD

~Jen Brannigan

July 28, 2006 was this year's PCPA's Worker's Comp Trust Annual Meeting. This year, TCV's Risk Management Committee received the Brown & Brown Safety Award for the 2004/2005 policy year for having an exceptional loss ratio of 25.91%!

This loss ratio means that our injuries were down, therefore leading to less work time missed over injuries resulting in a lower worker's compensation cost overall. Through preventative safety trainings, accident investigations, and monthly committee meetings, our Risk Management Committee was able to attain this goal of reaching a lowered percentage ratio.

Committee members **Jennifer Brannigan** and **Janie King** accompanied Trust Board Member and HR Director **Olivia Zitelli** to the meeting to accept the award. Congratulations to all who helped in accomplishing this achievement and for the strong commitment to safety!



Jen and Janie receiving award

“Snax for Fax” Tobacco Education Program

~ *Shannon McCleary*

According to the CDC, Tobacco use remains the leading preventable cause of death in the United States, causing nearly 440,000 deaths each year and resulting in an annual cost of more than \$75 billion in direct medical costs. To help address this problem, TCV’s Children and Family Services Tobacco Project has recently implemented a fun and educational program within the community. “Snax for Fax” is a weekly trivia game that reaches 35 local churches, family centers, school nurses, and programs at TCV MH/MR, Inc.

Each week an educational, information about tobacco and a tobacco-related question is faxed to the community organizations. The organization then answers the question and faxes their answer back to the tobacco department. Organizations can use any resources available to help them answer the question. From the correct responses received, we draw a winner. The winning organization receives a free gift basket from Panera, which is delivered the following week by a member of the tobacco staff.

TCV’s Tobacco Project’s purpose is to promote education as well as tobacco cessation classes. TCV offers free cessation classes to adults in the community. We hope that organizations in the community learn about our services, so they can direct their clients who might want to quit smoking. The Snax for Fax program has been running a few weeks, and so far, it has been a success. Weekly winners have been announced and they were excited to receive their gift basket! If your organization is able to make referrals to our classes and is not yet part of Snax for Fax, contact **Anthoni Fabian** x556 or **Shannon McCleary** x504. **TCV MH/MR, Inc. is funded to provide tobacco prevention and cessation services through a grant from Tobacco Free Allegheny.**

TCV Receives New Training for CASASTART

TCV MH/MR, Inc. held it’s first training on October 12 and 13 to implement the PCCD funded project CASASTART (Striving Together to Achieve Rewarding Tomorrows) at 723 Braddock Avenue, Braddock. CASASTART is a prevention program of Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Inc. aimed at preventing substance abuse and violence among youth between the ages of 8 and 13 years old. CASASTART seeks to build resiliency in the youth, strengthen families, and make neighborhoods safer for children and their families. It promotes collaboration among the key stakeholders in a community or neighborhood and provides case managers to work daily with high-risk children and youth. TCV MH/MR, Inc. is partnering with CASA (The National Center of Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University) and the Tri Boro Communities That Care to implement CASASTART within the Woodland Hills School District. For the training, Larry Murray from the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University came in to Pittsburgh to educate TCV CASASTART staff, Woodland Hills School personnel, juvenile justice supports and local police departments about what CASASTART aims to do and how it works. The project is in the process of being implemented in Rankin, Dickson and Ben Fairless elementary schools at this time.

TCV MH/MR, Inc. Receives \$5000 grant

With the support of **Senator Sean Logan**, Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Inc. has recently received a \$5000 grant from the Department of Community and Economic Development to provide educational supports for After-School programming in Braddock. TCV MH/MR, Inc. has partnered with the Braddock Salvation Army, UPMC Braddock and the Woodland Hills School District to provide after-school programming for approximately 30 children in grades 1-9 from the general Braddock community. The After-School program provides academic support, homework support, life skills enrichment, recreational activities and a hot meal each day.

Children at the program are placed into age groups for weekly talks on social skills, manners and other life skills such as hygiene and self esteem.

The Community & Economic Development grant will be used to hire a part-time staff person to provide homework and other educational supports for the children participating in the program.

Thank you to Sen. Logan for his kind generosity. If you live in the Woodland Hills area and want your child to participate in the after school program, please call 412-351-0222 x 500.

Together Forever

~*Marci Laskey and Janet Yniguez*

TCV's MR Residential department recently lost two very special individuals, **Sue and **Katie**.**

Sue moved into Homestead House in 1985 and Katie in 1989. In 1991 they relocated to the Main Street CHIMR in Munhall. They had many happy years with their housemates living in Munhall. Sue and Katie shared the true sense of family. It was obvious that they were more than just "residents" in the same house. Katie and Sue loved each other like sisters. They lived together until 2003 when Sue moved to the Crestview site. Katie along with the rest of their housemates moved into a new home on Lynda Lane in North Versailles. Although they no longer lived together, Sue and Katie continued to be a family. Katie frequently expressed that she missed Sue.

In May of this year Sue became ill. Katie was able to visit her several times, expressing her sadness after each visit. Despite the prayers, encouragement and tears of her family and friends, Sue passed away on July 27, 2006. Katie attended the funeral of her dear friend. With her belief that Sue was now in heaven with her mom, Katie was remarkably strong. Although saddened by Sue's death, all who loved and cared for her were at peace with her passing for it had been a lengthy battle for Sue and the fight was over. Sue was finally at peace

In September, Katie was hospitalized for a few days. Katie, who could express her wishes very clearly daily said; "I just want to go home", "Can I go to work on Friday?", "I want to see my dog". On September 28th she was released from the hospital. She was overjoyed at the thought of seeing her dog, Sadie, who she was sure, had missed her very much. Katie had her evening planned, declaring on her way home from the hospital "I just want to put my feet up and watch a movie with Sadie." Katie was never to set foot in her home. She suffered a massive heart attack while walking into her house. After all of the efforts by staff and paramedics Katie was unable to be revived. Those who loved and cared for Katie are trying to pick up the pieces and celebrate her life as she would have wanted.

Those of us who worked so closely with Sue and Katie will miss them dearly. We are quite fortunate to have been given the opportunity to form relationships with these two lovely ladies. The cherished memories of them will forever live in our hearts. We are holding on to the



belief that now and for eternity Katie and Sue are together. It is comforting to think of the two of them in heaven with their loved ones and with each other, sisters to the end.

Welcome to new employees!

Donald Allen - CHI MR Crestview
Shamond Baker - CASASTART
Dondrea Blackwell - St. Roberts ATF
Holly Cook - CHI MR Crestview
Rico Dillard - CASASTART
Julius Foy - CHI MR 16th St.
David Gardner - CHI MR Lynda Lane
Kameelah Gloster - Homestead House
Kera Graham - Turtle Creek
Jennifer Hensler - SV COG Family
Martin King-Smith - CASASTART
Teresa Lutka Fedor - Psychiatrist
Shannon McLeary - SV COG Prevention
Amber Prinkley - SV COG Family
Alexis Smearcheck - CHI MR Crestview
Susan Thornberg - HH Therapist
Diane Tucci - CHI MR Lynda Lane
Amber Vasquez - CASASTART
Dan Wagner - 723 Fiscal
Kristin Wiggins - CHI MR Crestview
Adrienne Williams - Therapist
Andrew Zaitsoff - HH TNS



Goodbye and Good luck!

I binye Brown - CHI MR 16th Ave.
Sharon Cotton - SV COG Family
Mary Jayne Edwards - CRRS HH
Michael Fahey - Homestead House RC
Patricia Filer - CHI MR Crestview
Nancy Folino - Homestead House RC
Alby Gates - SV COG PSR
Christine Gerhold - CRRS HH
Jolene Hernandez - HH Nurse Ther.
Terri Krushinski - SV COG ATF
Kenneth Moore - CRRS HH
Kim Morrah - CHI MR Lynda Lane
Robin Roberts - MH Employment Spec.
Mike Robertson - HH - Therapist
Carol Roebuck - SV COG PSR
Dr. Elliott Shinn - Psychiatrist
Ricardo Williams - SV COG Prevention
Lila Wilson - St. Robert's ATF
Valorie Wiss - SV COG Prevention
Christopher Woods - Supported Housing
Thalia Wotherspoon - SV COG OP
Rachel Young - Steel Valley COG RC

2006 Toward a Brighter Future Golf Outing

Thank you to all of the golfers, sponsors and those who donated to the 8th Annual TCV MH/MR, Inc. Toward a Brighter Future Golf Benefit on August 8, 2006 at Southpointe Golf Club.

Over \$13,000 was raised at this year's outing. Proceeds of this benefit will support the programs at TCV and ultimately help to provide additional prevention/ intervention programming to mentor and teach the children in the community to *strive toward a brighter future*. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's outing a success.

Winning foursome: Maher Duessel - Rob Lent, Tim Morgus, Jerry Patterson, Jeff Patterson

Skill prize winners:

Closest to Pin – Bill Hepfinger – 3'4"

Putting Contest Winner – Craig Jonas

Longest Putt – Terri Bloom – 42'7"

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Highmark

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UPMC Braddock

Verland Foundation

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John Ryan, Jack & Matthew King

Twosomes

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Ken Carnahan and Ken Puskaric

Kathy Becker and Mike Robertson

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Joe Fedor

Ray Logan, TCV MH/MR, Inc. Board Member

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Winning Foursome - Maher Duessel CPAs



Amcom/Individual golfer Ray Logan



Ameriserv Financial Foursome



Citizens Bank, TCV golfers - Kathy Becker & Mike Roberston



CCBHO Foursome



The Law Office of Evan Jenkins, Esq.



Highmark Foursome



Hometown/Mission Pharmacy Foursome I



Hometown/Mission Pharmacy Foursome II



Hometown/Mission Pharmacy Foursome III



Jefferson Regional Med. Center Foursome



Individual golfers - Jack, John Ryan & Matthew King, Joe Fedor

TCV Golf Outing Committee

- Shawn Nairn – Hometown Pharmacy
- Mike Kotloski – Sprint Nextel
- Tom Bach
- Mary Jo Napolitano
- Kym Mroziak
- Michael O’Donnell
- Olivia Zitelli



National City Bank Foursome

TCV Golf Outing Volunteers

- Jennifer Brannigan
- Patti Friedrich
- Judy Monahan Grystar
- Jackie & Nick Mroziak
- Jerry Potts
- Mimi Silinski
- Joni Zezza
- Martha Zucco



NOVACARE Rehabilitation Foursome



Sprint & Indiv. Golfers Ken Puskaric & Ken Carnahan



Individual Golfers - Craig Jonas, Lance Pascuzzi, Mike Napolitano & Ron Domis



Typecraft Press Foursome



UPMC Braddock Foursome



Verland Foundation Foursome

Sandy Wins 2nd Place in Eli Lilly Inspiration Award

A big congratulations goes to **Sandra Kogut** who won second place in the 2006 Lilly Reintegration Awards. Sandy and **Amy Sljva Blystone** attended the awards ceremony and dinner in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 6-8 where Sandy received an award in the Inspiration Category. In addition, she received a cash contribution of \$2500.00 to be donated to a designated program, a trophy and an all expense paid trip for her and a guest to the awards.



Sandy and Amy at the awards ceremony

To receive the award, Sandy was nominated by her supervisor Amy Sljva Blystone and had to write a 500 word essay on her accomplishments. Sandy is a contract staff employee at TCV. She is a WRAP facilitator and involved in Employment Services, Recovery Workshops, presentations in the community, Centers of Excellence Steering Committee and secretary for the consumer advocacy board for 2 years. Sandy has been working at TCV for a few years. Initially, she worked with Amy on a TCV project that dealt with workers who have disabilities for the Department of Welfare, now she is working in the Employment Services Department. She is most proud of her work on the boundaries workgroup, where policies were discussed and drafted regarding employment policies and consumers working for TCV.

Sandy plans on using the \$2500 donation for either a new Consumer-run snack bar at the SV COG, a consumer trip or a small resource area for consumers with reading materials, books about mental illness and where to go for help with clothing/food/paying bills.

Trip to Presque Isle

~ J R Brenner

On August 17, 2006 consumers from residential programs had the opportunity to take a TCV sponsored day trip to Erie. After the bus ride, some people went to the beach while the others enjoyed playing games like: bingo, spades, horseshoes and badminton. Four or five people tried their hand at fishing. We had a great lunch of chicken, Kielbasa, hot dogs, hamburgers, tossed salad, fruit salad, macaroni salad, watermelon and a veggie tray for dinner along with a snack table of cup cakes, chips, pound cake and angel food cake. Everyone enjoyed themselves and came home with a prize. I want to thank everyone for making this an enjoyable outing.



Staff as Trainers

During September and October, five TCV MH/MR, Inc. staff provided learning opportunities for persons working in mental health and drug and alcohol services. Those participating in the trainings mentioned that they were very useful, thorough and engaging for the audience. Additionally, many training participants noted that the presentations were exceedingly well done and provided information which reflected best practices in the delivery of mental health and drug and alcohol services.

On September 22nd, **Sandra Kogut** and **Amy Sljva Blystone** provided training regarding “Professional Boundaries” for staff at the Mental Health Association (MHA) of Westmoreland County. This training was provided as a component of the MHA staff retreat. Discussion focused on situations involving personal/professional boundary issues, along with sharing a peer staff person’s personal experiences with both working as a staff member and participating in services at the Agency. Sandra and Amy enjoyed getting to know MHA staff at a luncheon following the day’s program.

On October 11th, three TCV staff provided two workshops at the Pennsylvania Community Providers Association Conference in Seven Springs. **Stephanie Vargo** presented “Working with Chemically Dependent Survivors of Trauma”. Her presentation focused on chemically dependent persons who have endured traumatic experiences in their lives and included a discussion of dissociative symptoms, ways to recognize and interrupt trance states, accurate diagnosis and development of treatment strategies. **Darlene Karpaski** and **Terence Moore** presented “Waking the Resources Within: Using Solution-Focused Strategies to Empower People”. In this seminar, staff demonstrated how recovery principles are embedded in Solution Focused approaches. Presenters reviewed practical tools which can be used to uncover hidden resources in empowering people.

Thank you to staff for sharing your expertise and representing the Agency. Congratulations on the well regarded learning opportunities which you provided!

3rd Annual PSR Basketball Challenge

TCV MH/MR, Inc.’s PSR Department held it’s 3rd Annual Basketball challenge on October 19th at the Bishop Boyle center in Homestead. Staff, consumers and family members played in the basketball game. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped the department to raise \$75! Everyone had a great time. This year, the basketball challenge also had a foul ball shooting contest with special ribbons going towards the 1st and 2nd place winners. The PSR Department is looking to have an even bigger challenge next year, hopefully playing the Steelers!



Employee Spotlight

Every newsletter will randomly profile an employee. Who will be in the next issue??



Employee Name: Shamond Baker

Site Location: SV COG CASASTART Program

How long have you worked here?: Almost 2 months

What is your position? Case Manager

What was your very first job? Boys and Girls Club

What is your favorite movie of all time? Casino

If you could have dinner with anyone (living or dead) who would you choose? Maya Angelou

What three things can always be found in your refrigerator? water, soda and fruit

What is your favorite vacation spot? Bahamas

What accomplishment would you say that you are most proud of? Being a husband

What are your pets, and their names? Yes, Dos - DQ

Whom do you most admire and why? Uncle Chris, a true humble man



Two Shining Residents of Brinton Manor Apartments

~ Manaya King

STAR OF THE MONTH

Tom P., a resident of Brinton Manor Apartments, was named STAR OF THE MONTH at the Sheraton Hotel in Station Square. He has been employed full time as a Steward for 7 years. In July 2006 he was awarded STAR OF THE MONTH after being chosen over two of his co-workers. This is the second time Tom has had the honor of being voted Star of the Month by his co-workers and management of the hotel. Tom works hard and enjoys his job. In addition to doing his job, he is always willing to help others. Tom is a valued and respected employee of the Sheraton Hotel. GREAT JOB TOM!



SAFETY AWARD

Frank S., a resident of Brinton Manor Apartments, was awarded the SAFETY AWARD for July, 2006 at Wal-Mart in North Versailles. Frank has been employed by Wal-Mart since April, 2006. He was hired as a lot attendant. After just one month, he was promoted to a maintenance position inside the store. He takes great pride in his job. He ensures the store is free of spills and debris. Frank is very personable and well liked by his co-workers. EXCELLENT JOB FRANK!

Good Shepherd School Seeking Donations

Donations of Inkjet, Laser toner cartridges and old cell phones are being accepted by Good Shepherd School in Braddock. The school is participating in an educational and environmental partnership with Charitable Cartridge Recycling to help raise money for school activities. For each eligible inkjet cartridge, Good Shepherd can earn from \$.25 to \$3.50 and from each laser toner cartridge, the school can earn from \$12 to \$25.00 each. Old cell phones are worth from \$.50 up to \$50.00 each. Programs like this have helped other schools buy computers, printers, software, team uniforms, sports equipment and fund band and educational trips. TCV's MR Department is also thinking of participating in a venture such as this and may be collecting old/used working cell phones in the future.

Community Forum for Violence

On Friday, Nov 3rd, from 6-9 pm The Tri Boro Communities That Care will host a community forum for violence prevention at the Braddock Carnegie Library.

The evening will begin with the performance of the play, "Bang Bang You're Dead", by William Mastrosimone which explores violence in today's high schools. The play looks at the causes and results of school violence that are ignored until it is potentially too late. The play will be part of a community forum on violence prevention in Braddock and its neighboring communities.

After the play a panel of elected officials and community leaders will participate in a community discussion on paths to prevention of violence in Braddock and the boroughs of Rankin and North Braddock. The discussion will serve as a call to further action for violence prevention activities in the community. The forum is being facilitated by Tri Boro Communities That Care – a community building organization working to help youth find positive alternatives to violence and drug abuse. Tri Boro CTC is funded by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency. Distinguished guests **Governor Ed Rendell** and Allegheny County Chief Executive **Dan Onorato** will also be attending.

The community forum is being sponsored by: Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Rankin Christian Center, Watts Memorial Chapel and Sheridan Broadcasting Corp – WAMO 106.7FM. TCV MH/MR, Inc. is the lead fiscal agent.

The event is free and open to the public. Please attend this important event!

CFC Campaign

On October 18th, **Sandra Kogut, Amy Sljva Blystone** and **Kym Mroziak** attended the CFC Campaign at the Federal Building. The Combined Federal Campaign is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the Federal workplace on behalf of charitable organizations. The CFC is made up of local campaigns that raise funds in Federal workplaces across the country and around the world. Local charities that serve the local area or adjacent counties apply directly to a Local Federal Coordinating Committee (LFCC) – which serves as a “Board of Directors” of the local CFC. If you’re a Federal Employee or know an Federal Employee, please consider donating to TCV MH/MR, Inc. **Our CFC number is 9052.**



Sandy manning the TCV booth

TCV Supports Our Troops

Many employees at TCV MH/MR, Inc. have family and friends serving in the Middle East. We would like to honor those brave men and women:

Joshua Nesbitt, Army Reserves, deployed in Iraq – son of **Bobbi Nesbitt**

Jayson D. Garber, stationed in Fort Hood, Texas, specialist in the Army, formerly in the Marines for 4 years. Served in Iraq from Jan. 2004-Feb. 2005, *son of Robin Brown*

Brian Miller, currently in Kuwait and will be headed to Iraq within the upcoming weeks, nephew of **Linda Miller**

Congratulations Outstanding TCV MH/MR, Inc. Employees!!!

August 2006: Joleen Chiaverini,

Rosemary Gregg and Esther Wilson

September 2006: Andrea Fike, Martha Zucco and Janet Yniguez

October 2006: Raymond King and Hudaifa Ismaeli

Maintenance Department Fire Safety Notes

October 8-14 was Fire Prevention Week. Take the time this month to inspect your work area for fire hazards.

WHAT TO DO IN A WORKPLACE FIRE

When you hear a fire alarm:

- Evacuate using your assigned evacuation route. If that route is blocked use your alternate.
- Close doors behind you as you leave.
- If you encounter smoke, crawl low under the smoke.
- Once outside move away from exits. Go to your assigned assembly area and report to the person taking a head count.
- Remain outside until you are told it is safe to re-enter the building.

If you are unable to get out of the building:

- Create an area of refuge in a room with windows. Use wet cloth to seal cracks under doors and vents against smoke.
- Don't break windows. Open the window just a crack if you need air.
- Stay low under smoke, and cover your nose and mouth with a wet cloth. Signal for help by using a phone or hang something in the window.

If you discover a fire:

- Activate the nearest fire alarm.
- Call 911 immediately. Don't assume that someone else has already done this. Evacuate the building.

If you fight a fire with an extinguisher:

- Call 911 or get a co-worker to do that.
- Make sure everybody else in the area has been warned and is evacuating.
- Select the right extinguisher for the type of fire.
- Give up and evacuate if the fire is not extinguished by the time the extinguisher is empty.
- Don't try to fight a large or spreading fire – evacuate.

Donate your vehicle to TCV MH/MR, Inc.!!!

General vehicle preferred guidelines:

- Car in running condition with valid title and inspection.
- Minimal rust penetration (we have no body shop).

The rules are not set rules, but preferred guidelines.

We are generally not interested in “parts/salvage cars,” as storage space is limited.

WE DO TAKE ALL CARS! Pick up is free. Your donation is tax deductible. We can also accept trucks, boats, campers, and motorcycles. TCV is partnering with Community Auto, a 501c3 PA nonprofit and licensed auto dealer, to process your vehicle. Community Auto’s mission is to sell reliable vehicles to needy persons for transportation to work. 75% of the vehicle proceeds, after expenses, will be returned to TCV. **To donate a vehicle... Call us at 412-351-0222 x420.**

Please remember to ask your family and friends to designate Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR, Inc. as the recipient of their United Way gift through the Contributor Choice option when completing the United Way form, or donate online at www.unitedwaypittsburgh.org.

TCV’s United Way code is #136.

A copy of the official registration and financial information of Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR, Inc. may be obtained from the PA Dept. of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

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