



THE STELLAR GAZETTE

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Resource Fair

AMY STROMBERG - HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

Make sure to stop by and see us at the PA Career Link Resource Fair on September 9th!

(See the flyer below for more information!)

We will also be attending the Washington County BHDS Employment Fair on October 1st from 1:00pm to 4:00pm - 95 West Beau Street, Room G-16.



Flu/COVID Vaccines

The Flu/Covid Vaccine clinic will be on Monday, October 6th at 10:00am in the Supernova conference room. Sign-up sheets will be sent in the next few weeks.



RESOURCE FAIR

2025



9 SEPTEMBER 2025 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



2013 COMMUNITY CTR DR.,
HOUSTON, PA 15342

HIGHLIGHTS



Meet with local Employers, Agencies, and Training Providers to support your overall well-being!



Visit tables, ask questions and take home information on various local organizations



Agencies are onsite to provide information on valuable services available to you



Visit and have a chance to pick up free giveaways and win prizes



This is an opportunity for all residents in the area, experienced professionals, and career changers to stand out! Meet with all areas of local resources and your PA CareerLink® Washington County

For further details, feel free to reach out to us via email at paclwash@washingtongreene.org

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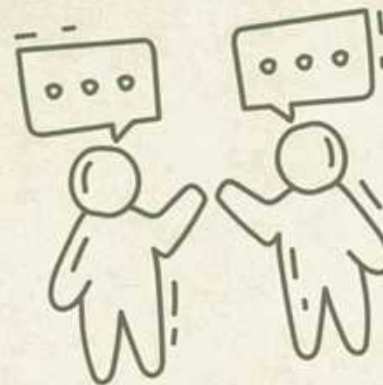
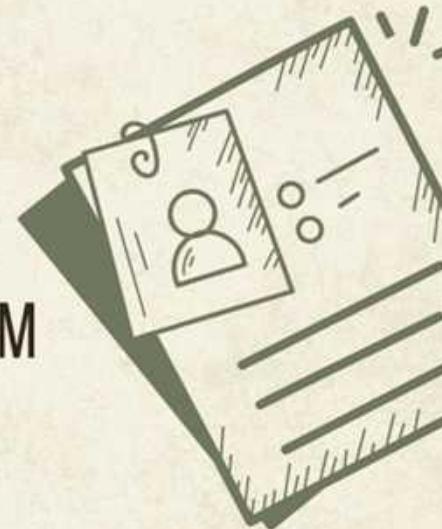


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Quarterly Attendance Bonus

Congratulations to the following DSPs who received the Quarterly Attendance Bonus!

Thelma Hickie

Steve Lynn

Ree Rush

Royleen Williams

Dave Henderson

Darien Baust

Billy Rood

Debra Srogi

Kara Harris

Keshabi Subedi

Mackenzie Ewan

Teema McElvy

Stephanie Madrid

These DSPs were also entered into a random drawing for this quarter's prize of \$250 in gift cards; The winner selected was **Steve Lynn**. Congratulations, Steve!



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Happy Anniversary to our Supernova Employees!

THANK YOU FOR CONTINUING TO SHINE BRIGHT WITH US!

DAN STEPHENS

AUGUST 1ST, 2019

CHRISTY STEPHENS

AUGUST 1ST, 2019

AMY STROMBERG

AUGUST 7TH, 2023

**SHANNON
TECKCHANDANI**

AUGUST 15TH, 2022

NASHAIA MCELVY

AUGUST 15TH, 2022

NICOLE JANDRES

AUGUST 25TH, 2023

STAN GRABIAK

AUGUST 25TH, 2024



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Meet Our New Supernova Staff!



Michael Lycett
DSP

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

Play Dungeons and Dragons

2.) What is your favorite movie?

Star Wars

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

Italy



Kathleen Lapina
DSP

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

Take care of my kids!

2.) What is your favorite movie?

N/A

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

Hawaii



Taylor Baumgardner
Employment Specialist

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

Spend time with my son and doing different things, like fishing.

2.) What is your favorite movie?

Where the Heart Is

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

Hawaii



Lillian Hritz
Employment Specialist

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

Play video games and write fiction.

2.) What is your favorite movie?

V for Vendetta

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

Australia

**WE ARE HIRING FULL/PART-TIME DSP'S \$18.50
HOURLY. REFER FAMILY/FRIENDS FOR A ONE-TIME
REFERRAL BONUS OF \$100 *NEW STAFF MUST WORK
3 MONTHS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE BONUS***



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Meet Our New Supernova Staff! (contd.)



Isaiah Robinson
DSP

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

I like playing sports and cooking.

2.) What is your favorite movie?

Stomp the Yard and You Got Served!

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

I would like to see family in Heaven, and I would like to travel to Africa!



Jenna Woytovich
DSP

1.) What do you like to do in your spare time?

I do a lot of Bible Study!

2.) What is your favorite movie?

The Lion King

3.) If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be?

Hawaii



Employment Program Spotlight - SNPJ Strabane

AARON WRUBLESKI - DIRECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The SNPJ Lodge 138 in Strabane PA has been a staple in the community for many years. The Slovene National Benefit Society enjoys a history that stretches back more than a century. Founded on April 6, 1904, SNPJ was initially incorporated as "Slovenska Narodna Podporna Jednota", which translates to "Slovene National Benefit Society" in English. In honor of the founders we have retained our Slovenian initials, and our society is now best known by its original Slovenian acronym, "SNPJ."

As a well-known organization in the local community and knowing some of the staff there personally, it was a perfect fit when the opportunity arose to provide our individuals with job training while also providing the SNPJ with the custodial services they needed. Supernova Employment Specialists and individuals are responsible for the general custodial duties of the Lodge. The individuals perform their duties 7-days per week maintaining the bar area, dining area, catering hall and the bowling alley.

Our team loves working at the SNPJ and regularly hold and attend events there. Just last month, we held an outdoor mixer where staff and individuals were able to interact with each other and learn to play bocce (belina if you ask the employees) and when the weather changes, we will hold a bowling night.

The relationships our individuals are gaining are second only to the confidence in their work skills. This has been a positive partnership for everyone involved and has also opened the door for some of our individuals to want to expand their job duties.



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Employment Program Spotlight - SNPJ Strabane (contd.)

AARON WRUBLESKI - DIRECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

When asked about the partnership, SNPJ President Chris Cadez said "Supernova Services and their dedicated staff go above and beyond to keep SNPJ Lodge 138 spotless, comfortable and inviting. Their professionalism, reliability and eye for detail make a real difference in how our lodge looks and feels every day. We often hear from our members and guests about the noticeable shine, freshness and care they put into every corner of the building. One customer recently shared, "The lodge has never looked better- the cleaning staff are friendly, hardworking and always make the place feel welcoming. We're grateful for their commitment and proud to spotlight their excellent work."

It is feedback like this that reminds me just how meaningful these partnerships are. knowing that we are meeting the needs of both the business and the individuals we serve is the reason we do what we do. The dedicated Employment Specialists and individuals that complete this, and all projects, are second to none!

If you're ever in the area, stop in and tell the folks "zdravo". It means hello in Slovenian and is used amongst friends...



Shining a Light on A.W.

1. Who is your favorite sports team and why?

The Steelers – they have the most championships and football is the most exciting sport to watch!

2. If you could only bring 3 things with you on a deserted island, what would you pick?

Food, water and wood for a fire.

3. What is on your bucket list?

I would like to go back to Disney World and Las Vegas.

4. What goal do you want to accomplish in the next few years?

Better mental health and living on my own independently.



Residential Updates

BRITTNI HODINKO - DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING

In early August, the Supernova team had a wonderful time attending the Wildthings game! We really enjoyed mingling, dancing, and chatting while watching the game. We're all looking forward to more fun events like this in the future!

We also have a full lineup of activities ready for DSP Appreciation Week, which will run from September 7th to 13th. We're so excited to celebrate our amazing staff at Supernova Services! Keep an eye out for details on all the awesome activities we have planned, including our second annual Kickball game on September 8th from 1-3 PM at the Washington Park Stone Pavilion. This game will "kick" off a week of fun events!

Finally, we were lucky enough to have another residential individual move in! Please introduce yourself if you see her around; she is looking forward to getting to know other Supernova individuals.



SUPERSERVICE



SUPERNOVA SERVICES **DSP** **APPRECIATION** **WEEK**



SEPT
8TH

2ND ANNUAL KICKBALL GAME

COME ENJOY A FRIENDLY GAME OF KICKBALL, INDIVIDUAL VS. STAFF! AT THE WASHINGTON PARK STONE PAVILLION 1-3PM.

SEPT
10TH

BREAKFAST AT THE OFFICE

EARLY BIRD COFFEE TRUCK AND BREAKFAST AT THE OFFICE 7A-11A

SEPT



12TH

COOLIE SKOOLIE ICECREAM

FREE ICECREAM AT THE OFFICE! 12 PM - 2 PM

THESE EVENTS ARE FOR ALL OF OUR AWESOME STAFF AND THEIR FAMILIES! PLEASE COME OUT AND ENJOY THEM. WE APPRECIATE YOU!

PLEASE CONTACT BRITTNI IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS! 412-997-4243

Pool Party

MICHELE GRANDE - PROGRAM SPECIALIST/RECREATIONAL THERAPIST

Supernova closed out the summer with a pool party and cookout for our clients, staff, and their families. The evening was full of laughter, new connections, great food, and plenty of fun in the water. Even with less than perfect weather, everyone came together and had a wonderful time. This celebration was a chance to recognize not only our amazing clients but also the dedicated staff who make Supernova what it is. It truly takes a village, and we are so grateful for everyone who is part of ours.

A special shoutout to Ryan & Chad for manning the grill all night and ensuring everyone was fed. We appreciate you!



Pool Party (contd.)



Pool Party (contd.)



The Cooking Corner



MELISSA HITCHMAN - ASSISTANT RESIDENTIAL DIRECTOR

MICHELE GRANDE - PROGRAM SPECIALIST/RECREATIONAL THERAPIST

Our Cooking Corner whipped up some savory snacks for this month's recipe, Deviled Eggs Your Way! W.B., R.S., K.R., and A.C. joined us to help make this delicious dish, and now you can enjoy it too!

Ingredients:

Hard Boiled Eggs

Mayonnaise

Yellow Mustard

Salt & Pepper

Relish (Optional)

Additions:

Bacon

Jalapeno

Ranch Seasoning

Sour Cream

Cheese

Buffalo Sauce

Instructions:

1. Remove the yolks from the egg whites and place them into a bowl.

2. In bowl, add mayo, mustard, relish, salt and pepper. Measure with your heart and taste as you go.

3. Scoop filling into egg white

4. Finish with desired toppings and enjoy!



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Walking Club

MICHELE GRANDE - PROGRAM SPECIALIST/RECREATIONAL THERAPIST

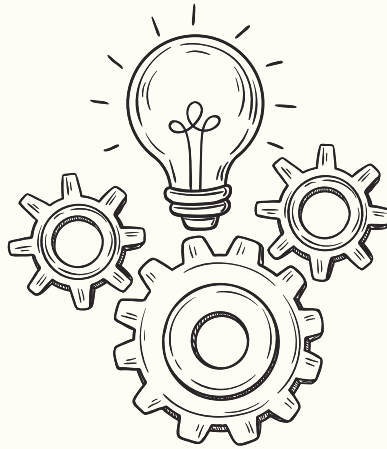
Another month of Walking Club is in the books! ☀️ Our crew has been out enjoying the fresh air, getting some steps in, and of course spending time with Cappi. The clients love taking turns walking him and giving him all the pets along the way. 🐾

Here are some pictures from this month, thanks to everyone who joins in and makes Walking Club such a fun part of our week!





A reminder to all staff to please keep monitoring your Relias accounts for upcoming due dates to ensure that we are in compliance with the 6400 Regulations, for we must acquire 24 hours of training each year. Thank you all for being amazing as always!



Want your ideas featured in the Supernova Newsletter?

Please contact Amy Stromberg, HR Director,
for more info!

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