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Harvest Fun 3 Rivers Style!!!

On October 27th, 3 Rivers hosted its annual “Harvest Party,” and what a great success it was! Our guests were treated to an evening of fun, food, games and prizes. There was a fishing pond, “G-H-O-S-T” (our adaptation of BINGO!), a coloring table, and a crowd-pleasing Cake Walk, which nearly every participant was rewarded with a festively decorated cake to take home.

Following these activities, we all came together for the costume contest. All were able to vote for his or her favorite enchanted creature. The competition was fierce, making it difficult to choose only one winner. All had a great time!

The final event of the evening was the popular “Trunk-or-Treating.” Several of our staff handed out goodies to the many costumed Trick-or-Treaters who paraded past comical or hauntingly decorated vehicles. Kudos to all staff members who went all out to decorate their cars in impressively festive and spooky style!

Lastly, we wish to extend a heartfelt thanks to our incredible parent and teen volunteers and supportive staff members who went the extra mile to plan, organize, and oversee the festivities, as well as to supply cakes for the cake walk or lend a hand in decorating our rooms and hallways. Your efforts made this event a **‘howling’** success!

**3 Rivers Wraparound
Family Support Staff:**

Family Support Coordinator:

- Carolyn Cox

Family Partners:

- Jessica Frost
- Cindy Noble
- Dawn Miller
- Tom Cox
- Melissa Williams
(JJC Family Partner)

Youth Partners:

- Jessica Hodges
- Ally Dearing



SEASON OF GIVING

For anyone looking for something a little different to do this Thanksgiving, the Tri-City Union Gospel Mission (located at 112 N. 2nd Ave., Pasco) is holding its annual Thanksgiving Open House at noon on November 24th. Tours of the Mission will be given, and there will be opportunity to meet some of the people who are being helped through local gifts and donations. There will be no solicitation. All they ask is if you are able to join in the celebration, please call ahead of time @ (509) 547-2112 so they know how many guests to expect. You're invited to see how your gifts are used to touch and change the lives of local men, women and children who are experiencing tough times.

~by Cindy Noble, Family Partner



Taking Time To Learn!

In October, Matt Peirce came to Yakima, Washington to share his wealth of knowledge on children and how we can become successful understanding them, as well as helping them and us learn the skills we need to support families. Many of our staff had the chance to travel the 60 mile distance to hear him speak. It was an exciting talk. Matt's enthusiasm for children really shined through in his presentation and stories about the families' lives he has touched. The team members who were able to attend really look forward to implementing his techniques with our families here at home and around the office!



Online Resources for Family Fun!

If you're looking for family activities around town, here are some of our favorite websites. We thought we would share the resources. Let's have some fun!

www.threeriversconventioncenter.com

www.tcrchamber.com

www.visittricitie.com

www.pasco-wa.gov

www.pascochamber.org

www.traconline.com

www.psd1.org

www.ci.richland.wa.us

richlandwa.usachamber.com

www.rsd.edu

www.westrichland.org

www.westrichlandchamber.org

www.ksd.org/default.aspx

If you have any questions please, contact Dawn Miller, Family Partner @ 783-2085 or dmiller@lcsnw.org



PAVE Community Training

PAVE Presents: FREE Community Training November 7 & 8, 2011

Location: United Way 401 N. Young St, Kennewick, WA 99336

For further Information and to Register contact:

Sherry Mashburn @ 1-877-821-4113 or smashburn@wapave.org.

You can also contact **Carolyn Cox @ 1-509-783-2085 ext 3653 or ccox@lcsnw.or**

2011 Developmental Disabilities Legislative Forum

Sponsored By:

Benton & Franklin Counties Advocates for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

Date: November 3, 2011

Place: Red Lion Pasco – Gold Room

Time: 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Please mark your Calendars



New Community Resource:

The Family Resource Center is a project developed by Yadira Galvan in an effort to meet the needs of families affected by Autism and other Developmental Disabilities, with a focus on reaching Hispanic families.

The Center started in May 2009, but closed down temporarily due to a car accident experienced by the Galvan family. Galvan is recovering and ready to get the Center up and running once again with a new funding stream and fresh, innovative ideas!

The Family Resource Center officially opened Oct. 21st at 1 E. 1st Ave. Kennewick, WA 99336.

Upcoming events hosted by the Family Resource Center:

- 10/29/2011 Trunk O' Treat 1:00-3:00pm (at the Center)
- 11/18/2011 Thanksgiving Dinner (at Go Bowl in Pasco)
- 12/16/2011 Christmas Dinner (Go Bowl in Pasco)
- Toys for Autism Drive

For more details contact: Yadira Maria Galvan Office: (509) 586-8692 Fax: (509) 586-8319



3 Rivers Wraparound Program Family Support Events For November 2011

- **November 3rd ~ 3 Rivers Dads Night Out:** Okay dads, here is your night! You will be meeting at the 3 Rivers office for good conversation and food, with other dads and male caregivers. Please contact Tom Cox, Family Partner at 509-783-2085 or e-mail teox@lesnw.org. The fun starts at 6:30pm!
- **November 7th & 14th ~ 3 Rivers Family Support Parenting Class:** For those families signed up, we will be meeting at the 3 Rivers office at 6:00pm. Please contact Carolyn or Tom at 783-2085. You can also contact your Care Coordinator.
- **November 10th~ Parent, Kid & Youth Groups:** 6:00 to 7:30pm at the First Lutheran Church on Yelm and 395 in Kennewick. Dinner will be provided. Please **RSVP** to Carolyn Cox or to your Care Coordinator @ 783-2085.
- **Parent Group:** Continue discussion with Carolyn and Austin. We will also be talking about getting through the holidays. We would also like feedback from parents on new topics for groups.
- **Youth Group:** Holiday fun for the youth and getting to make decorations for the Holiday Party.
- **Kids Group:** Movie, play time and arts and crafts
- **TBD ~ Grandparents Group:** Will be held at the 3 Rivers Wraparound office starting at 5:00pm.
- **November 17th ~ 3RWP Family Night:** 6 to 7:30pm at 3RWP/ Lutheran office. Don't miss our annual gingerbread house making family activity. Festivities start at 6pm. Snack provided.

Thanksgiving

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.
 ~John Fitzgerald Kennedy

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We are on the web: <http://www.lcsnw.org/kennewick/3rivers.html>



Look for us @
Kennewick Wraparound



PARTNERING WITH FAMILIES
AND COMMUNITY TO ENHANCE
THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF
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3 Rivers Wraparound Welcomes Youth Partner Ally

“Turn your baggage into assets and pay it forward,” is the personal motto Ally came up with to describe the viewpoint she has developed through her experiences.

Ally has taken an exceptional journey to get where she is today. Having a diagnosis of Aspergers has given Ally and her family a unique and enriching understanding of overcoming life’s challenges. Throughout her childhood, Ally spent time in and out of counseling, therapies, and in-patient facilities. Her family worked tirelessly to support her during a time of explosive and unpredictable behaviors, always looking to find a way to get Ally to a place of peace. Ally attributes her recovery to her loving family who never gave up looking for ways to work with her and understand her.

Ally is now a successful young woman, who is married with two children. She has spent time working as a teacher’s assistant in life skills classrooms. Although Ally grew up in the Tri-Cities, she has dual Brazilian citizenship through her father and has traveled all over the world, experiencing many different cultures. We have enjoyed having Ally on our team and look forward to working with her more and getting to know her!

