

Hope this New Year is:
 Life-changing, world-
 shaping, wonderful, pur-
 poseful, awe-inspiring,
 incredible, fantastic, mag-
 nificent, extraordinary,
 blessed, thrilling, blissful,
 grace-filled, jubilant,
 delicious, unbelievable,
 astonishing, mind-blowing,
 spectacular and ridiculous-
 ly happy!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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JANUARY 2018



Happy New Year! I hope every-
 one had a wonderful holiday
 season, and that the spirit of the
 New Year is with all of us! I look
 forward to celebrating 2018
 with everyone, and I look for-
 ward to more growth and im-
 provement of our services. With
 that being said, we will be send-
 ing out our survey in the near
 future, please be looking out for
 it. Also, with considerable inter-
 est, we will be adding an addi-
 tional day to our Art Therapy
 Program in the month of Janu-
 ary. We have many ideas that
 we are discussing to continue
 helping our individuals lead a
 fulfilling life.. Stay tuned!

We had another milestone in
 December. Christine White has
 retired after 20+ years with

Nevins. Chris started out as a
 CPCC instructor here at the
 Nevins Center 18 years ago,
 but up to recently was in-
 structing an Enrichment Class
 on Fridays. Chris will finish
 out the Spring Semester at
 the CPCC location, but will not
 return to Nevins. Chris will
 spend more time with her
 husband and traveling now
 that she has a three day
 weekend. However, she will
 always be welcome here at
 Nevins.

Nevins would like to welcome
 our new Enrichment Teacher,
 Julia Harris. Julia replaces
 Chris on Fridays and brings
 several years of experience
 working with our population.
 Julia has been employed with

CPCC for several years as well,
 and spends a lot of her time doing out-
 reach work in various communities.
 Julia is looking forward to her new
 chapter in life being part of the
 Nevins family. Her life-long motto's
 are, "Giving back to others", as well
 as "The harvest is plenty, but labor-
 ers are few". Welcome Julia!

Nevins would like to welcome Kim-
 berly Hailey as the new Program
 Manager for Clinical Services. Kim
 brings 13 years of experience work-
 ing within the Social Services arena.
 Originally she is from Atlanta, Geor-
 gia and has been in Charlotte for 4
 years. She is a graduate of Dillard
 University in New Orleans, Louisi-
 ana and is currently working on her
 Master's Degree. Welcome to the
 Nevins family Kim and Happy New
 Year everyone! - Adam Lawlor

December Employee of the Month - Gail Hester

Congratulations to Gail Hester, our
 December Employee of the Month!
 In just a few short months she has
 made an impression on Nevins and
 our participants. Always being a
 spirited and imaginative volunteer,
 helping with events and projects
 beyond her specific role.

I think Gail sums it up best "My
 journey at Nevins has been reward-
 ing in so many ways. Coming here is
 confirmation that God's plan for me is
 greater than any for myself."
 Thank YOU Gail!



Events and Happenings!

**January 11—Charlotte Chris-
 tian Volunteer Day**

**January 15—Martin Luther
 King Day Parade, Uptown
 Charlotte 9am-1pm**

**January 25—Law Enforcement
 Day @ Nevins 10am**

March 10—Chili Cook-Off

Join us on Facebook to see what fun we have been up to:
www.facebook.com/Nevinscenter



Management Staff:

- Adam Lawlor
Executive Director
- Natasha Young
Program Director
- Kimberly Hailey,
Program Manager
- Patrice Baldwin
Team Lead
- Linda Moore
Team Lead
- Deon Chism
Team Lead
- Jonathan Martin
Program Supervisor
- Cathy Duenkel
Admin. Assistant

Abilities and Possibilities

Happy New Year! I personally want to thank everyone for making 2017 a success with Abilities & Possibilities! The month of December has turned out to be very exciting and very busy! We decorated the Christmas tree and partied till Santa came to town! Many of the individuals from A&P added their voices and talents to the Holiday Concert and made all of us proud.

January starts the motor again and the fun is set back in motion! We will discuss how to hold on to our New Year's resolution, how to eat healthier, we will have a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, MLK Day, find creative ways to eat peanut butter, have a bubble wrap challenge day and celebrate the NFL Playoffs!

We will continue our Community Volunteer Activity with Meals on Wheels, Music Therapy, Chimes Choir practice and Art Classes.

Thank you to all the Parents and Caregivers for your support and for continuing to be an active part of the Abilities & Possibilities!

Natasha Young

CPCC/Nevins College & Career Readiness

Happy New Year 2018! Spring Semester begins Thursday, January 11 with new class times and a new name.

Classes will be 8:30 & 10:00am Language/Computer on Monday, Tuesday And Thursday with no Wednesday class. Wednesday will be 8:30-11:30am Vocational Education class & 12:00-2:00 Language/Computer Class. There will be no class on Friday. 12:00-2:00 Language / Computer class will be Monday, Tuesday , Wednesday & Thursday with no change.

Our new name is I-LEAD (Independence Literacy Education for Adults with Disabilities) & we are still under College & Career Readiness Department. I-LEAD provides specialized education and transition courses for adults with a diagnosed intellectual disability, traumatic brain injury, or other special learning need. Students learn skills for independent living, successful employment, and active participation in the community. I-LEAD courses help students improve their reading and writing, interpersonal skills, math and money management, consumer skills, community living, job success skills, government knowledge, and basic computer skills. Specialized transition programs, such as Project Search, help students gain real-life work experience through internships with local area employers.

See you in January 2018!

Myra Robinson, CPCC/Nevins Instructor

2017 “Wrap” Up!



Clinical Services Update

I hope that everyone enjoyed the holiday season and are geared up for 2018!

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as Kimberly Hailey, the new Program Manager for Clinical Services at Nevins, Inc.

I bring with me 13 years of experience working within the Social Services arena. I am originally from Atlanta, Georgia, and have been in Charlotte for 4 years. My professional experiences have allowed me to work with

individuals from all walks of life in various capacities.

These opportunities have led me to Nevins, Inc. where I am excited to begin a new journey with each of you. I thank you in advance for your patience, understanding and open communication while I get acclimated into this new position.

Kimberly Hailey

Aktion Club

It's about to be another New Year and Charlotte Mecklenburg Aktion Clubbers are gearing up to New Horizon as a Club. The Aktion Clubbers have new and exciting service projects and fundraisers they are ready to perform.

At the Last meeting the Aktion Clubbers voted to keep the same officers in positions that they hold now. The Clubbers are still in full effect at their tasks and are making great progress in their positions. The Clubbers would like to wish their Club President, Sue Ellen B., a speedy recovery. We really miss her!

We will not be meeting on January 3, 2018, but will have our regular meeting on January 17.

I always want to thank our staff here at Nevins for aiding our Clubbers during each meeting! It really means a great deal to them to see staff involved.

If you're interested in joining our Aktion Club, we will have a New Year Meeting on January 17, 2018. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Thank You,
Club Advisor, Delores Miller

CMC/Nevins Team

The Nevins/CMC Mercy Team; Linda, Sylvia and Shimica, wants to wish everyone a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Linda Moore, Team Lead

I would like to thank my team for all they do as we end another successful year at CMC Main. We all look forward to starting our new journey in 2018!

Happy New Year To All!

Deon Chism, Team Lead



Supported Employment News

I would like to thank all my staff for the great job they do here at Nevins! The Supported Employment Program continues to grow and we are so thankful for being able to make the Nevins Mission possible and for being instrumental in helping our individuals realize their dreams of being employed. If you have any questions or would like to know how your child could become a part of the Nevins Supported Employment Team, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Thanks and Happy New Year!

Jonathan Martin, Supported Employment Supervisor

Mission: Nevins, Inc. provides developmentally disabled people over the age of 16 with opportunities to achieve their fullest potential through employment and community involvement.

January Birthdays

Elijah Austin	4th.
Margie Ware	5th.
Myeshia Davis	10th.
Deon Chism	11th.
Marcie Stafford	13th.
Docval Oglesby	17th.
Willie James	18th.
Sylvia Crawford	25th.
Ruth McClain	27th.

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Helping developmentally disabled
adults reach their fullest potential for
over 50 years

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by public contributions and aided by volun-
teers. If you wish to learn more about how you
can help us provide person-centered care to
the developmentally disabled community
please visit our website at www.nevinsinc.org
or call 704-596-1372.

Transportation News

We would just like to thank all the Transportation Department for making sure our individuals arrive at Nevins and return home safely each day.

Winter is here, so please be mindful of the weather. If you have any questions concerning pick up and drop off, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Nevins Transportation line at 980/505-2388 at any time. If you have questions regarding Nevins being open in inclement weather, please call 704/596-1372. We will post closing information on our outgoing message.

Keep in Touch with Nevins

Here at Nevins we have a large “family”, a family that consists of consumers who utilize our programs, the parents or caregivers of those consumers, our talented staff, the dedicated volunteers, our generous donors and our community. To help us keep in touch we have a Newsletter that lets you know what’s happening at Nevins and helps us celebrate the accomplishments of that wonderful “family.”

Our monthly newsletter has been going for over a year and it’s finally available by email and ready to share with everyone. That is why we are asking for your contact information so we might be able to minimize costs while keeping everyone informed on how we are “Creating Opportunities.” You may also email this information to info@nevinsinc.org or send to 3523 Nevin Rd., Charlotte, NC 28269 or just subscribe to the newsletter on the website! www.nevinsinc.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I want the Nevins Newsletter emailed to me: _____ Please contact me. I want to learn more: _____

How are you “related” to Nevins?

I participate in Nevins programs: _____ I am a family member/caregiver: _____ I am a volunteer: _____

I am a neighbor of Nevins: _____ I am a part of the Developmentally Disabled Community: _____

January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  	2 <i>Good Eats Cancelled</i>	3  Drinking Straw Day	4  World Hypnotism Day	5  Bird Day	
7	8  National Weigh-In Day	9  Chili & Crackers	10  Law Day Enforcement	11  Milk Day	12  Eat Ginger Cookies Day	13
14	15  Martin Luther King Day	16  Pizza & Salad	17  Popeye Day	18  Pooh Day	19  Popcorn Day	20
21	22  National Hug Day	23  Sloppy Joes & Chips	24  Peanut Butter Day	25  Yearbook Day	26  Big Wig Day	27
28	29  Bubble Wrap Challenge Day	30  Soup & Croissant	31  Plan Your Vacation Day			