

*Rest is not idleness, and
to lie sometimes on the
grass on a summer day
listening to the murmur
of water, or watching
the clouds float across
the sky, is hardly a
waste of time.*

- John Lubbock

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JUNE 2019



Summer has arrived a little early, and the temperatures have proved that! Please make sure if you and our participants are out and about, that the proper precautions are made by staying hydrated!

The 14th Annual Festa Italiana was held on May 19th, and we could not have asked for a

better day! The weather was perfect! We had a great turn out and Nevins certainly shined bright with its musical performances, live art demonstration and of course our wonderful participants. We owe a BIG THANK YOU to Dr. Vincent and Sandra Voci, the St Anthony Foundation, the entire Festa committee,

and all the volunteers (chef, performers, etc) and all the wonderful guests who made our mission their cause! Also, thank you to Pam Glass and our Vice Chair Tom Gottcent for taking the lead on the silent auction. Tom and Pam coordinated and organized one of the best silent auctions the Festa has had with over 95 items donated. We look forward to next year's 15th Annual Festa Italiana, which I am sure will be a very special one for all to celebrate.

We have a lot of exciting events and activities that will continue to revolve around our

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May Employee of the Month - Alexander Parillo!

Congratulations to Alexander Parillo, our May Employee of the Month!

Alexander began with Nevins upon graduation from Charlotte Catholic High School. He began as the "handy man", doing odd jobs around the Nevins campus. Seeing as how we are celebrating 60 years this year, there is no end to the odd jobs on our main campus and Alexander has tackled them all with enthusiasm and without complaint. We have been so impressed with Alexander's work ethic he was recently promoted to Supported Employment Job Coach. Any of the individuals he has been assigned to work with have already taken a shine to him. One look at the smile he wears constantly and you can see why. He is a very impressive young man and we are very thankful to have him supporting the Nevins Mission!

Alexander will be entering NC State in the fall in pursuit of his dream of being a Zoologist. He will truly be missed, but we are all so excited to see where he goes from here.

Thanks for all you do for Nevins, Alexander, and congrats again!



Events and Happenings!

**June 8th—
Nevins Harley Day**

**June 17th —
Camp Nevins Begins**

**June 20th—
Camp Nevins Kick off
Cook out**

**June 21st —
Camp Nevins Party Bus**

**June 28th —
Visit from Homer!**

**July 3rd —
Red White and Blue Party**

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



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Abilities and Possibilities

Boy has it been hot and to think summer is not even here yet!

Our summer camp program is approaching and we are excited about all the fun activities and all the new friends we are going to make!

Our second annual beach trip was another huge success. We had an awesome time. It is always a pleasure to see them enjoying their peers. You have to actually be on this trip to understand the excitement that these individuals have on this weekend thank you to everyone that supported the

chili cook off. This fun raiser makes it possible for the our individuals to have a great weekend. We are looking forward to the Adult Sensory Story time with the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library on Mondays.

We had the pleasure of experiencing a video game truck on May 25 here at Nevins we had a fun filled Friday! Thank you Adam and Tasha for always making it a great day to be here at Nevins, weather it's a consumer or staff you guys rock. Harley Day is Saturday June 8 come on out and enjoy the day seeing some really cool bikes

and having lots of fun.

On June 12th we will be going to see Disney Aladdin let's see what the genie has in store for us!

Our summer camp cook out will be on June 20 please remember to send your love ones with sunscreen and hats as we will be outside that day. We will also be cruising the city on the party bus on June 21st.

We are going to have a fun and exciting summer we hope that everyone will be a part of what Nevins Camp has in store!
 - Margie "Rudy" Ware

Executive Director's Letter (continued from cover)

60th Anniversary coming up! Natasha has been working hard preparing for our summer camp that promises to be filled with fun and excitement, and Pam and Natasha are working diligently to make sure that our 60th Anniversary Celebration will be a complete success! September 13th, 2019 will be recognized by the City of Charlotte as Nevins Day!

-Adam Lawlor, Executive Director

CPCC/Nevins I-LEAD

Summer Semester started Monday, May 20 and will end Thursday, August 1. During the next 10 weeks all classes will be caretakers of our Nevins Community Garden. We look forward to working with Miller Carbon, our Volunteer Master Gardener for the second year.



Our goals are to Google how to care for the garden then follow the steps by labeling, watering and weeding. We will research the weather each week to help determine the needs of the garden and make a plan to meet those needs. We will use the computers to create a Father's Day worksheet on the computer. We will discuss it in class then take it home on Thursday before Fathers Day.

Spring Semester Break will be Monday June 24 through Thursday, June 27.

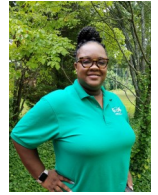
- Myra Robinson, CPCC/Nevins Instructor

That was a FUN Month!



Creating opportunities for intellectually & developmentally disabled adults in Mecklenburg County through person – centered care and employment services.

Notes from Natasha



At this years Mecklenburg Special Olympics Summer Games one of our competitors in the 25 meter motorized race was unable make it to the awards ceremony that day. So in true Nevins fashion we had our own medal ceremony. Congratulations Sean W., one of our fastest participants!

- Natasha Young-Davis, Program Director

Nevins/Atrium Team

I would like to thank all the individuals and staff for a job well done and for the impact they have in patient care. We have had a very productive and busy month transitioning through a lot of changes in the department; however, we have been very successful at making sure all daily assignments are complete. Thanks Team!

- Deon Chism, Nevins/Atrium Team Lead



Marshall Williams is our May Participant of the Month!



Clinical Services Update

We would like to welcome all our new employees and individuals who have joined the Nevins family over the past few months. We would also like to thank everyone for keeping up with the Therap data entry. Some staff have also recently had Person-Centered Thinking training to help better the way we handle all situations, whether at work while working with the individuals we serve or in our every day life.

We hope you all had a great Memorial Day weekend and enjoyed your time off with family and friends!

May we all keep up a great attitude and stay safe on these hot summer days that are ahead. Please stay hydrated and know your limits.

For any Nevins employee needing assistance,

you can reach out to the Employee Assistance Program at: Carolinashealthcare.org/EAP

-Kimberly Hailey, Program Manager of Clinical Services

- Tanisha Rorie, Program Supervisor/QP



Transportation Update/Supported Employment

I would like to thank all the drivers for getting our participants here and back home safely we really appreciate it. To our Families and caregivers, as the school year ends and less traffic is on the road your love one May arrive home a little earlier than in past months. Please work with us as we all adjust to the summer season, we greatly appreciate our families and always remember for any issues or concerns please reach out.

I would like to thank all my staff for all there hard work and dedication. As our program continues to grow we are very happy with the success we have. thanks to all the employers we work with in the community you all are part of the reason why we can make it possible here at nevins. remember if you like your love one to be a part of a great and successful program please reach out to us here at Nevins

-Jonathan Martin, Program Supervisor

Nevins/Atrium Mercy Team

I just want to say this is the 5th month of the year and the Nevins/Atrium Mercy team hasn't missed a beat. They continue to do their job to the best they know how, providing patient care, and always striving for the best. This Nevins/Mercy team is always wanting to make a difference and delivering the equipment with a smile!

- Linda Moore, Nevins/Atrium

Aktion Club

The Charlotte Mecklenburg Aktion Club met in the month on May 15th and hosted a service project here at Nevins Inc.

The Aktion clubbers went around the building and the parking lot picking up trash. They were excited to give back to the community.

This is what Aktion Club is all about, giving back to the community; this is one way to give back to Nevins. Nevins actually hosts our meetings and we greatly appreciate it. On June 5th it will be our annual fundraiser: the Aktion Club Car Wash, to help our clubbers with their club dues. It'll be held at Nevins at 9:30 am till 11 am. The price is \$8 for a car wash, \$2 extra for tire shine. We thank you in advance and donations are also welcomed. I would like to thank all of our loving staff for their continuing aid to our Aktion clubbers during the meeting. If you're interested in Aktion Club please come out to our next meeting on June 5th. Thanks!

-Delores Miller, Club Advisor



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

Festa Italiana, Grazie Millie!

THANK YOU to Dr Voci and the whole team that make Festa happen. Our participants and staff enjoy the day and the Opportunities you help us create!



June Birthdays

Lemanuel Jenkins	21st.
Quadejah Davis	23rd.
Jasmine Lash-Smith	28th.
Barbara Graham	30th.

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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.**

Camp Nevins is Starting soon!

Invite your friends to come spend the summer with us here at Nevins! A summer day camp for individuals with developmental disabilities (ages 15+) that provides day support with community activities and vocational experience on the Nevins Center Campus June 17th through August 23th. Have anyone interested contact us at 704-596-1372 to sign up!

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 is 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: _____

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: _____

June 2019

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23	2	3 Adult Sensory Storytime 10:30am-11:30am	4 Good Eats 	5 Aktion Club	6 	7 	8  Harley Day 10:30am
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* Adult Sensory Storytime is held at Beatties Ford Road Library from 10:30am-11:30am

*Monday Movies are held at Beatties Ford Road Library from 11:30am-12:30am (bring your non-microwavable lunch)