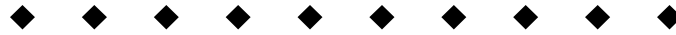


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What's Happening by Jerry Parker, CEO

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The Wood Group celebrated the opening of our newest Crisis Respite facility in Abilene, TX on January 29, 2008. The facility will house twelve adults and will be known as the "Formosa Crisis Respite Center." The facility is a cooperative effort between The Wood Group and Betty Hardwick Center. The facility is a beautiful red brick building located on a beautiful lot with trees in Abilene. We are very excited about this new facility.



Jerry Parker

the Mental Health community of Texas and the consumers that they serve are important and will make a difference in the lives of people who we serve.

As always, I want to express to all The Wood Group Team, a job well done.

We are working on new residential projects in Austin and San Antonio to open three Crisis Respite Facilities. As soon as we have located property we

will begin the licensing process. We hope to have these facilities open sometime in early summer. The new Crisis Respite facilities will provide housing for forty-eight residents.

As we continue to expand our service to new areas of Texas we must always remember that the services we provide to

Areas Served by The Wood Group



The Wooden Nickel by Jerry Parker

On February 15th & 16th I had the privilege to attend the Annual Central Texas African American Family Support Conference in Austin, Texas. The Wood Group was one of several sponsors for the event. Our company also provided a Consumer Education Scholarship that I presented at the

Conference Awards Luncheon on Saturday. The conference had several outstanding speakers who delivered messages of hope and improvement in the care of the mentally ill. It is always special when we are able to be a part of this type of conference. I look forward to representing our company at future confer-

ences and other events that we are able to share The Wood Group story and continue to provide Educational Scholarships to Mental Health Consumers who wish to continue their education.

Mark's Minute by Mark Bruce, Chief Financial Officer



Mark Bruce

THERE WILL COME A TIME
WHEN YOU BELIEVE EVERYTHING
IS FINISHED.

THAT WILL BE THE BEGINNING.

ANONYMOUS

Topic: Tax Re- bates

Hello everyone! I have good news from the Internal Revenue Service – hard to believe isn't it. As most of you probably have heard, taxpayers are getting an income tax rebate this year. I thought I would cover some of the basic criteria for receiving the rebate in this quarters' newsletter. First and fore-

most you have to file a 2007 income tax return before you will receive the rebate. Secondly you will receive a rebate in the amount of your 2007 tax liability – not to exceed \$600 for individuals (\$1200 for married filing joint) and a minimum of \$300 (\$600 for married filing joint). If you have no tax liability you will receive \$300 if you have \$3000 in qualifying income. Qualifying income

includes earned income such as wages, tips, self-employment income and Social Security Benefits. Eligible taxpayers will also receive \$300 for each child that qualifies for the child tax credit. This is a brief summary of the tax rebate rules and a more in depth discussion is available at www.irs.gov. I hope this has been helpful to you and enjoy your tax rebate!

TWG Express by David Kelley, Chief Operations Officer

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are doing well. I would like to take a moment to remember someone special. Doris Glenn was hired by the Wood Group as a Mental Health Aid at the Bastrop facility in November 2002. Doris caught on very fast and impressed the management of TWG as well as the staff that worked

with her from Bluebonnet Trails MHMR. When an opening became available for Facility Administrator, Doris was reluctant to accept the position. She was concerned that she did not have the experience or the skills to do the job. Doris finally accepted the position and over the next several years she managed the facility exceptionally well. Doris could be as stern as a Marine and as witty as a comedian. She had

exceptional people skills, which were what made her admired and liked by the people she worked with. Over time the confidence Doris possessed grew as she managed different situations. In 2005, Doris learned that she had Cancer. She was able to work until October 2005. Doris passed away in 2006.

The facility administrator in Bastrop today is Debra Moore. Debra has a lot of the same

qualities that Doris had, she was reluctant to take the Administrator job, she takes personal pride in her work and she has turned out to be an excellent manager. I guess it's not unusual for sisters to have a lot in common. Debra recently experienced another loss as her father passed. I would think he was very proud of his daughters. I'll see you down the road. David

MH Rehabilitative Services Updates by Mary Helen Farnam

Greetings everyone! I'm excited to be doing this column. I will be providing updates on The Wood Group mental health rehabilitative services. We have some very dedicated individuals providing this service in various locations. Over the past several months, I have had the opportunity to visit with the staff at these locations.

Our Pharr clinic has moved to a new location in January. Their new address is 802 E. Expressway 83 Suite A Pharr, Texas. Sylvia Valadez is the administrator in this southernmost Texas region. The El Paso mental health rehabilitative services clinic headed by Sandie Bustamante continues to grow. In addition to the MH rehabilitative services, we are providing a medication services clinic one Saturday per month and are in the process of obtaining more physician time for an additional day. Our Kenedy clinic has been open for four months now. Deanne Pape is the administrator. The Camino Real MHMR staff and The Wood Group staff have integrated their services in the same facility. There has been great teamwork between the staff with one goal in mind --- the recovery of the clients. Special thanks go to Brandy Casanova for commuting to the Kenedy clinic to provide MH rehabilitative services 2 times per week for a couple of months. The Pearsall staff continue to provide both MH rehabilitative services and residential services. Thanks to all of you for your dedication and hard work. Your job is so important to the people and families that you serve. - Mary Helen -

Lesas's Lines by Lesa Reimers, Human Resource Director



Flu season is upon us and several employees and clients have been sick. Here are some tips on how to prevent the spread of the flu and other germs.

1. Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing with a tissue and throw it away in trash can.
2. Wash your hands with soap and use hand sanitizer regularly
3. Make sure bathrooms are stocked with soap and paper towels.

4. Keep your working areas clean
5. Spray doorknobs, phones with anti bacterial spray.
6. During the flu season employees may need to sanitize the consumer's rooms more frequently to prevent the spread of germs.

Mary's Minestrone Soup

This is such an easy recipe I am almost embarrassed to give it to you!

1 can diced stewed tomatoes

toes

1 can rotel tomatoes

This is great served with cornbread or crackers.

3 cans minestrone soup

1 can ranch beans

2 can water

Brown 1 pound hamburger meat in your Dutch oven or large

sauce pan. Pour other ingredients in and heat to

See why I am embarrassed!! I promise your family will love it.

Mary



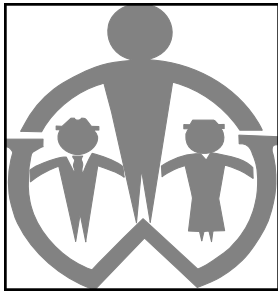
Mary Wood

Pulp Facts by Stacy Otto, Director of Quality Management

As Director of Quality Management, I would like to say a few words to our Administrators about the Quality Assurance Checklist that is due by the 25th of each month. All of The Wood Group facilities are inspected for compliance with Life Safety Codes and Assisted Living (TXDADS) Licensing Regulations on a monthly basis using a 97-point Quality Assurance Checklist.

This checklist is very important and if filled out completely and accurately each month it will ensure that we are meeting all requirements for licensing. Administrators, you are our eyes and ears out there so please take a few extra moments each month to go over the items on the checklist thoroughly. All deficiencies found should be reported immediately so that we can implement a plan of correction. Exam-

ples of deficiencies are: fire marshal inspections that are out of date; broken windows, doors and appliances; incomplete client forms; out of date staff trainings and unkempt grounds. Your hard work does not go unnoticed and we appreciate each of you. See you soon! Stacy Otto



Wooden You Like to Know??? (Employee News)



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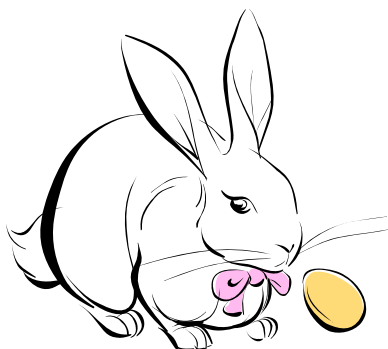
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HAPPY EASTER!

We have had several administrators and assistants in the hospital recently. Tiffany Smith, Wichita Falls, has been very ill and Deon Chisum, Beaumont, has been ill and continues to need our prayers. Also, Paula Perea, our Big Spring Administrator, has recently been released from the hospital. Deborah Moore, Administrator in Bastrop, has been in the hospital this quarter.

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Deborah Moore in the loss of her father in February and assistant Administrator, Aliesha Anderson's cousin's accidental death this month.

Paula Perea's sister passed away in December.



Pearsall's Administrator, Selma Gutierrez has a new niece, Mirla Isabel Gutierrez, born January 2, 2008 in Bryan, Texas. Isabel weighed 7 1/2 lbs and was 20 inches long. Selma was off several days visiting this precious baby. Congratulations to the whole Gutierrez family!

Lesla Reimers, HR Director, and her husband Carlton, finally found a home in Wichita Falls and purchased it this month. They are in the process of moving so please understand it if she is not as organized as normal!

The flu bug has been rampant throughout Texas and we have all been affected by it. Nearly everyone in the corporate office has been ill and I am sure each of the facilities have been suffering, also. Remind your clients and employees to wash their hands regularly.



" Every excuse I ever heard made perfect sense to the person who made it"

Dr. Daniel Drubin

"If your ship doesn't come in, swim out to it."

Jonathan Winters