



# THE SCOOP

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### TINCAPS OUTING

Our 4th annual TinCaps game was a night to remember! On May 24, the Sky Point Family attended the Fort Wayne TinCaps game and celebrated at the Huntington Picnic Pavilion, enjoying a buffet dinner before a fantastic fireworks show. The weather was perfect—not too hot, not too cold. Our Sky Point family, including staff, clients, and their families, came together for an evening of food, fun, and baseball, creating cherished memories. Although the Fort Wayne TinCaps lost to the Cedar Rapids Kernels 12-4, the spirit of togetherness made the event truly special!

Story by: Chukila Williams



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#### **CELEBRATE THE WINS**

- Three of our staff members recently welcomed new babies into their families!
- Francis, CEO/Owner, is becoming a CARF Surveyor!
- The Behavior Consultants team connected over coffee and conversations!
- The Leadership Team attended the Global Leadership Summit Conference in August!
- 11 volunteers for Day of Caring this year!
- We welcomed Dustin, Employment Specialist, to our leadership team in March! Dustin is also BIN Certified!
- The Leadership Team is successfully operating in a hybrid schedule: in the office Monday – Thursday, and remote on Friday.
- Directors (Kyle, Megan, and Emily) successfully graduated from the Ignite Fort Wayne Leadership Program
- A Supported Living individual bought her first home!
- Emily joined the conference committee for NIHRA
- Successfully participated in the 2025 DSANI Buddy Walk



DISABILITY EXPO BOOTH 2025



JACLYNN, THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM Manager, Graduated with Her Master's in Social Work.



ANNUAL SKY POINT TINCAPS GAME IN MAY



LEADERSHIP TEAM ATTENDING
THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE

#### WHAT OUR STAFF SAY ABOUT US

To help us **GIVE OUR BEST**, we asked our team to share feedback in the July 2025 employee satisfaction survey. Here's what some of our staff had to say about working at Sky Point Social Services!

"Sky Point has a very positive atmosphere. It is easy to get needed answers & everyone is genuinely encouraging to everyone, staff & clients."

"Flexibility, people oriented. Everyone is helpful and understanding"

"They are very inclusive and care about their employees"

"Sky Point truly cares. The staff go above and beyond to serve individuals with dignity, compassion, and professionalism. There's a deep commitment to making sure each person is seen, supported, and empowered. Whether it's connecting people to vital resources or simply showing up with kindness, Sky Point creates a sense of belonging and hope. It's more than a service provider—it's a team that genuinely believes in the potential of every life they touch."

#### **CLIENT SATISFACTION SURVEY**

#### Thank you for being part of the Sky Point Family!

We value your feedback and invite you to take a few minutes to complete a short survey about how our staff are meeting your expectations. Your participation is completely voluntary, and your responses may remain anonymous. To participate, simply scan the QR code and complete the survey by November 2, 2025.



# **CELEBRATING OUR STAFF**

#### **OUR GROWING COMPANY**



We're thrilled to welcome these amazing new team members to our Sky Point Team!



Catherine Schindler **DSP** 



Jonathan Rivera Guzman **DSP** 



Jill Fletcher DSP



Diana Collins DSP



Michelle Cantrell DSP



Elizabeth Bell **DSP** 



Amelia Hinkle DSP



Penny North **DSP** 



Valerie Jones **DSP** 



**MHSP** 

#### YEAR MILESTONES

Cheers to these incredible staff celebrating 5 years with Sky Point Social Services!



Sherrie May DSP



Jodie Coil DSP



Jade Magnuson DSP



**Emily Kumfer Director of Development** 



Jennifer Hicks DSP



## GROWING LEADERS, GROWING IMPACT

At Sky Point, leadership isn't just a title—it's a calling to grow so we can better serve. During our leadership meetings, which occur twice a month, our leadership team gathers to learn together through books, reflection, and honest conversation. Along the way, we've invested in opportunities like the Global Leadership Summit, Ignite Fort Wayne, and The Great KIDS Leadership Academy. We've gained insight through Enneagram assessments, been guided by leadership coaches, and pursued courses that stretch us both personally and professionally. But the actual impact of this growth is seen in our people—staff who feel supported, encouraged, and equipped, and clients who receive the very best care because their leaders are inspired to lead with excellence. At Sky Point, we believe that when our leaders grow, our whole community grows—and every life we touch feels the difference. Story by: Francis Jomo

# EVENTS SPOTLIGHT

#### DAY OF CARING

Every year United Way organizes a volunteering event in Allen County named Day of Caring. Local businesses gather to participate in a variety of projects aimed at making a difference in the community. This year, Sky Point was involved in refurbishing and painting fire hydrants on the west side of Fort Wayne. Eleven staff volunteered their time to give 28 hydrants in two neighborhoods a new shine. The weather even cooperated to give us a perfect day to give back to those in need. Story by: Allen Copsey







#### **DISABILITY EXPO**





The Disabilities Expo is one of the biggest events of the year, offering individuals with disabilities and their families a welcoming space to explore valuable resources, services, and support providers. Each year, we look forward to connecting with new members of our community and reconnecting with familiar faces, all while working together to empower and uplift one another. Story by: Mackenzie Berry

#### **DSANI BUDDY WALK**

Sky Point Social Services was proud to participate in the 27th Annual DSANI Buddy Walk at Parkview Field. This year marked our third consecutive year of attending the event as a resource vendor. We had the opportunity to talk about our services and connect with an amazing community of families, advocates and organizations dedicated to supporting individuals with Down Syndrome. It was a fantastic day filled with meaningful conversation, community spirit and plenty of smiles! We are already looking forward to next year! Story by: Kyle Bordner



#### **VOLLEYBALL BENEFIT TOURNEY**







In September, we hosted our Second Annual Charity Volleyball Tournament and it was a huge success! This year, we teamed up with Kate's Kart – Books from the Heart, an amazing nonprofit that provides free books to kids in hospitals across Indiana. We were lucky to have Kate's Kart join us for the day with their own team on the court — and they crushed it, taking home second place! Krista, their Director and Co-Founder, also came out to support and share more about the awesome work they're doing. It was so inspiring to learn more about their mission.

A total of eleven teams hit the sand, with great energy and competitive spirit. We also had eight silent auction donations from local small businesses and sports teams, plus a bunch of spectators who showed up to cheer and support the cause. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we're excited to share that we raised \$3,410 for Kate's Kart! We couldn't have pulled this off without the amazing support from our Sky Point family, our friends at New Leaf Recreation, and our awesome community. Whether you played, donated, or just came to hang out — thank you for being a part of something special! Story by: Mackenzie Berry

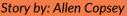
#### **CELEBRATING OUR DSPS**

Every year in September, we celebrate DSP Appreciation Week, which is a time to recognize our Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) and honor their dedication and commitment to our organization. Our DSPs work on the front lines to provide compassionate, high-quality services to those we serve, making a lasting impact in their lives. To show our gratitude, Sky Point sent gift cards to our DSPs as a token of appreciation for their outstanding work. Thank you to the dedicated staff who make our mission possible — we're stronger because of you!



## STRIKES, SPARES, AND SKY POINT FUN

On September 12, our leadership team traded the office for the bowling lanes for a team building exercise at Crazy Pins on Lima Road. All of the Leardership Team participated in an afternoon of chicken wings, pizza, and bowling pins. Some got strikes. Some got spares. There might have even been a gutter ball or two. Who won? Who lost? It was hard to tell. We were all having too good of a time to keep track!











### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: MEET CASEY**

Since March 2023, Casey has been a Behavioral Consultant at Sky Point Social Services. In this role, she supports individuals with diverse needs, empowering them to thrive within their communities. Casey entered the social services field by working in ABA, and it spiraled from there. When asked what she enjoys most about working at Sky Point Social Services, she replied, "The work community is inclusive, and I enjoy working with my clients."

Casey grew up in Roanoke, IN, and now lives in Ossian, IN. She has been married for five years and has two boys. She met her husband at Chevvy's Sport Bar. Casey describes herself as an extrovert who is organized and passionate. Her hobbies include outdoor activities, such as camping and going to the lake. In her free time, Casey enjoys staying home and hanging out with her family. Her biggest achievement in the past year was celebrating her 5th wedding anniversary! Cancun is her favorite place she's traveled to, and Bora Bora is her dream vacation destination. Interestingly, Casey once went skydiving in Tucson, Arizona. We are so lucky to have Casey in our Sky Point family!







#### **CLIENT CORNER: MEET YIHUN**

Yihun's journey to meaningful employment led him to Sky Point Social Services' Employment Services program, where he worked closely with Dustin, one of our Employment Specialists. Together, they focused on building Yihun's confidence, strengthening his skills, and preparing him for the job search and interview process. All of that hard work paid off—Yihun proudly accepted a position at Outback Steakhouse as a busser! He's thriving in his new role, enjoying the chance to meet customers, collaborate with his coworkers, and earn his own paycheck.

Outside of work, Yihun stays busy with his favorite hobbies, including reading, painting, watching TV, and keeping his car spotless. His faith is also a big part of his life, and he loves being active in church and youth group. Looking ahead, Yihun is excited about getting his driver's license, moving into his own place, going to college, and—someday—getting married. With his determination and positive outlook, there's no doubt Yihun is on a bright path toward achieving his dreams. We are so proud of his accomplishments and can't wait to see what he does next!





# **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

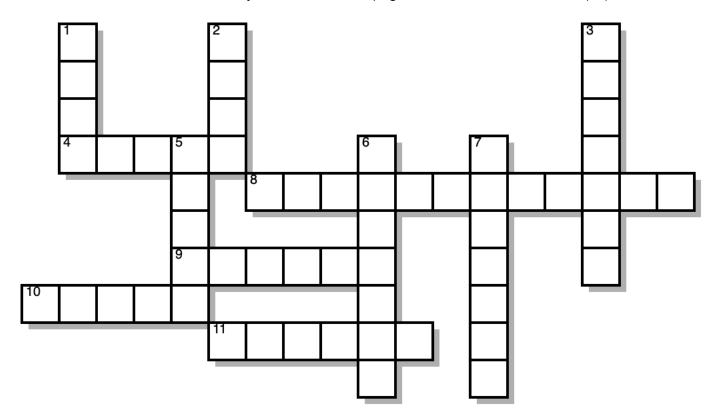
NEW CONTEST ALERT

Complete the crossword puzzle below for a chance to WIN AN AMAZON GIFTCARD!

To enter, simply finish the puzzle, snap a photo of your completed answers, and text it—along with your name—to the Sky Point Team at **260-255-4322** by end of day on November 2, 2025.

All participants must be a Sky Point client/guardian or staff member to be eligible. Good Luck!

The winner will be announced LIVE on Sky Point's Facebook page on November 4 at 9:10 AM (ET).



#### **ACROSS**

- **4.** "During our leadership meetings, which occur \_\_\_\_\_ a month, our leadership team gathers to learn together through books, reflection, and honest conversation."
- 8. "Every year in September, we celebrate DSP \_\_\_\_\_ Week."
- **9.** How many Sky Point Social Services staff members volunteered at the Day of Caring?
- **10.** "Sky Point Social Services was proud to participate in the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual DSANI \_\_\_\_\_\_ Walk at Parkview Field."
- 11. Who is BIN Certified on the leadership team?

#### DOWN

- **1.** In September, we hosted a charity volleyball tournament and raised money for Kate's\_\_\_\_\_ Books for the Heart.
- **2.** How many staff members are celebrating 5 years with Sky Point Social Services this year?
- ${\bf 3.}$  What team-building activity did the leadership team participate in?
- 5. Who was featured in the Employee Spotlight?
- **6.** Who on the leadership team is becoming a CARF Surveyor?
- 7. On May 24, the Sky Point Family attended the Fort Wayne\_\_\_\_\_ game.



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