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SUMMER FUN!

Each year, we host events for our staff and clients to come together to build relationships and grow in community with one another. This summer, we hosted a day at the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo for staff and their families. We spent the day exploring the many fun and furry features of the zoo, feeding giraffes and goats, riding the Sky Safari, and much more!

We kicked off the summer with Tie-Dye Day, an event where clients and staff were able to come and tie-dye a Sky Point t-shirt to bring home. In July, we also enjoyed our annual Night at the TinCaps, with food, fun, and baseball!

Written By : Angela Weaver

LOCAL EVENTS

Fort Wayne has so many events and attractions to offer! Check out the list below and plan your next day of fun!

- Fort Wayne Children's Zoo
- Science Central
- Headwaters Park
- Foellinger-Friemann Botanical Conservatory
- Allen County Public Library
- Promenade Park
- DeBrand Fine Chocolates
- Embassy Theatre
- Fort Wayne Museum of Art
- Parkview Field



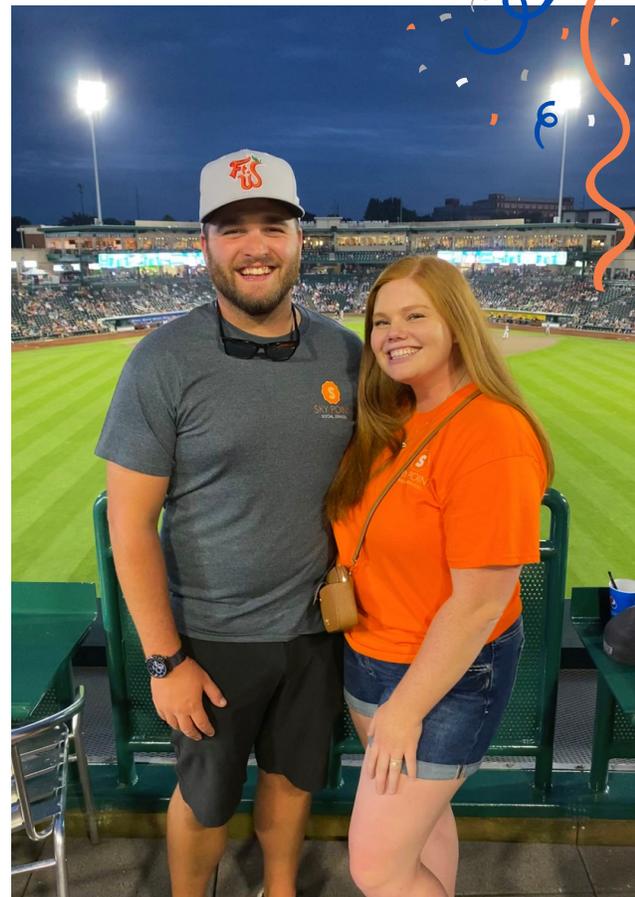
- Fort Wayne Philharmonic
- Fort Wayne Outfitters and Bike Depot
- Jefferson Pointe
- Glenbrook Mall
- The Old Fort
- The History Center
- YLNI Farmer's Market
- Lazer X
- Putt-Putt Fun Center
- Sweetwater
- Eagle Marsh



CONGRATULATIONS, EMILY!

Sky Point Social Services is excited to announce that our very own Emily Martin has been promoted to Director of Development! Emily has been with Sky Point for over two years, working as a Program Manager. In her time here, Emily has proven to be a great asset to the company going above and beyond her job duties. She is passionate about our values and entirely on board with our mission and vision.

In her new role as the Director of Development, Emily will be responsible for maintaining employee relations and cultivating a culture that promotes unity, creativity, innovation, and growth at Sky Point Social Services. She will work closely with the Director of Operations and the Director of Programming to help improve the quality of the workplace environment and take a people-centric approach to their duties. This position will support all staff in their roles and ensure connectivity through engagement, communications, and mentoring. Additionally, Emily will work with the other directors to ensure that Sky Point has satisfied employees and robust talent management.



Pictured: Emily and her husband, Matt at the TinCaps game

OUR GROWING COMPANY



Allen Copsey
Program Manager



Cheryl Doan
Direct Support Professional



Lori Steury
Direct Support Professional



Deidre Britton
Direct Support Professional



Jaclynn Barnhart
Program Manager



Taylor Graham
Case Manager



Raynesha Causey
Direct Support Professional



Aerika Katip
Case Manager



Nikki Hunley
Direct Support Professional



Candice Lamb
Direct Support Professional



Julia Geerlings
Direct Support Professional



Ellen Connor
Direct Support Professional

5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Jennifer Krause, DSP ~ Bonnie Monhollen, DSP ~ June Stucky, DSP ~ Wayne Turner, DSP ~ Kristi Gebhart, DSP ~ Teila Jackson-Thomas, DSP ~ Diana Neate, DSP ~ Dawit Menda, DSP ~ Paula Earty, DSP

OPEN POSITIONS

Sky Point is growing and we are looking for a Waiver Program Manager, Therapist I, Therapist II, and Direct Support Professionals to join the team. Apply online at: www.skypointindiana.com/careers

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM



Yolanda has been a Direct Support Professional with Sky Point for over 3 years and moved into a new leadership role serving as the Direct Support Professional Mentor in April 2021. Yolanda shares her experience as a Direct Support Mentor:

"The purpose of the mentorship program is to provide support and guidance to incoming DSPs. I was drawn to this role because I feel like I could provide value from my own experience as a DSP and help to shape the program. One of the best things about being a mentor is meeting new people and helping to provide direction. I enjoy engaging with others and helping to make the DSPs feel welcomed."

Even after DSPs graduate the Mentorship Program, Yolanda continues to provide ongoing support, insight, and leadership to her former mentees. Yolanda is a wonderful asset to the new staff at Sky Point and continues to grow in her leadership skills and influence.

CLIENT CORNER

This quarter, we are excited to spotlight our friend James! James has been with Sky Point Social Services since 2017 and works closely alongside his sister Bonnie, stepdad Wayne, and friend Darlene. James loves staying active and has several hobbies that he loves to share with others. His sister Bonnie said the following about her brother:

"Last April, James turned 72 years old. When he was 60 years old, James was diagnosed with leukemia, and his treatment was a bone marrow transplant. The doctors gave him a very low percentage of surviving. The doctors now call him their "Miracle Boy," as James is now 11 years in remission.

James enjoys life with a variety of interests and hobbies. He loves to participate in parades in costume and anything to do with the Clydesdale horses. His greatest love is trains, and James volunteers to help with the restoration of a steam engine and train cars.

James is still employed part-time and working around another interest, which is semi-trucks. He states that he's not ready to fully retire yet as "look what I might miss out on seeing." James lives his life to the fullest."



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Sky Point Social Services is committed to support individuals with ALL abilities in reaching their fullest potential by providing the care and services that will enable them to live enriching lives in the communities where they are valued and respected for their abilities and contributions



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