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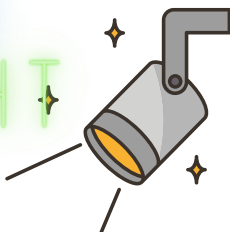
STAFF SHOUTOUT: SAMANTHA ORTEN



One of our staff members that we may not see as often as others is Samantha Orten! Sam has predominately worked the overnight shift at SR3 for many years. She is originally from the great state of Louisiana; and, after living in Kentucky for a while, she moved to Jacksonville in 2013. Shortly after that, she began working at Carobell in September of 2014. Samantha is married with two wonderful children, Jack, who is 6, and her daughter, Willow, who is 5. Her favorite thing about Carobell is the members and their unique and varied personalities. She feels that she has matured during her time at Carobell and wants to continue to grow. We appreciate Sam so much for being a devoted and reliable anchor of the 11-7 shift for many years! Her manager describes Sam as a dedicated, hardworking and valued member of the Sandridge 3 team. Some things that you did NOT know about Sam: She is currently writing a novel and one of her favorite "go to" comfort foods is sweet peas. You will have to ask her to reveal her childhood nickname. Thank you, Sam, for all you do!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

SEAN O'KELLEY



Sean came to live at Carobell in July of 1993. His mother, Nancy, lives in South Carolina and has remained in close contact with Sean over the years, visiting frequently.

Sean vocalizes and occasionally greets staff by shouting, "Hey!" He enjoys spending time on his mat, using his pom-poms, tambourine, koosh ball, or other sensory items, and creating loud noises by either slapping the mat or banging on any nearby surface. He likes to spend time outside, especially when it's sunny.

Sean seldom initiates interaction with his peers, preferring to remain engaged in more solitary pursuits; however, he has a warm relationship with long-term staff members who know him well. He also enjoys snuggling up with his large stuffed animals.

Sean loves to eat; he says "Mmmmm!" and smiles during meals! His favorite drinks are milk and tea. He communicates through vocalization, eye gaze and reaching out for desired items. Sean will be turning 50 next year and we are so happy that he has spent a portion of that time with us at Sandridge 2!

April

In April, our members and staff joined together to celebrate Disability Awareness Month. It was a meaningful time to promote inclusion, raise awareness, and recognize the strengths and contributions of individuals with disabilities



JUNE

In June, our members enjoyed a Father's Day brunch, celebrating the fathers and father figures who bring strength and love to our community.



CAROBELL'S CULTURAL CORNER

Ensuring cultural competency is an integral part of developing a system of care that is embedded in cultural and linguistic responsiveness.

This month, we celebrated cultural competency by honoring Carobell's 56th birthday with family and friends, reflecting on our shared history and values. We also celebrated Mother's Day with a special brunch, recognizing the important roles mothers and caregivers play in nurturing our community's diverse traditions and connections.



Mission

As a community service provider, we hold a passion and commitment to administering the highest quality of care and service delivery. With our dedication to person-centered outcomes, Carobell Inc. leverages established best practices to fulfill our goal of continuous quality improvement; while implementing holistic, innovative, techniques and strategies we aim to empower our members to reach their fullest potential.

Vision

To continue to develop professional services and quality supports that focus on empowering independence and personal dignity.

Philosophy

Carobell's scope and philosophy holds that all individuals regardless of ability level, their gender, sexual orientation, sexual preference, age, and language have the right to full inclusion in the community of his/her choice. We embrace the principles of the founders that the individuals we serve are treated with the utmost respect. The participation of family, friends, natural supports, and all other stakeholders as key members of each individual's circle of support is highly encouraged. Carobell's commitment to providing a quality, person-centered way of life in the safest environment possible is illuminated by its statewide reputation and reflects the pride of the communities it serves.



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