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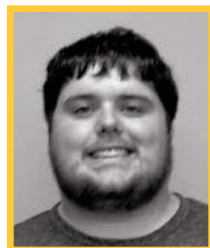
Micah ben Yehudi
Direct Support Professional
Clarke House



Manda Bell
Direct Support Professional
East Elm House



Richie Linneman
Direct Support Professional
North Kimball House &
Gamble Street Apartments



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Employment Specialist
East Elm House



Merri Murkerson
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East Elm House



Kelly Radloff
Direct Support Professional
Gamble Street Apartments



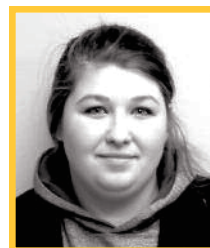
Amy Soderquist
Direct Support Professional
KJ Program



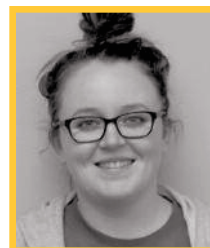
Mike Steele
Direct Support Professional
Residential Program



Wesley Stotts
Direct Support Professional
Gamble Street Apartments



Tegan Stunes
Direct Support Professional
East Elm House



Emily Sutherland
Direct Support Professional
Radke & Blaaid Houses



Unique Footprint

This past week, Mitchell was the recipient of a few inches of falling snow. Before the sidewalks could be cleared, there were several footprints that were left in opposite directions, meeting each other en route to their destinations. Now it's not known, by the footprints themselves, how many people greeted each other, had a brief conversation or simply passed each other by, only the owners of those footprints know.

I know that that is a small passage of time, however, in life, our paths are forever intertwined by the presence of others. I often wonder, have we taken advantage of the opportunities we've had to make a unique footprint in someone's life? The one that stood out from the rest of the footprints?

Perhaps it was an act of kindness, such as offering a helping hand or a gesture of appreciation, maybe you were the listener that someone needed or you gave someone a chance, the break he/she was waiting for. Or, maybe you were the one who didn't give up, who stood beside someone, believed in that person and, a life changed because of it.

I have seen many, many people provide a unique footprint in the lives of the people we support. Their lives are richer for it. And they have been the unique footprint in the lives of others. We all stand to gain, when we lead with kindness and caring and when we put what matters first, people. Be that unique footprint in someone's life.

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Staff Anniversaries

JANUARY

- Jeanie Morgan 18 years
- Cheryl Graham 17 years
- Darla McGuire 16 years
- Menetta Rassel 14 years
- Jenny Toulouse 14 years
- Heidi Geppert 13 years
- Denise Hughes 12 years
- Rhonda Schulz 9 years
- Darla Schoenfelder 8 years
- Lori Jerke 5 years
- Tammy Leddy-Sederquist 3 years
- Kristy Elder 2 years
- Jenna Miller 2 years
- Yolanda Martindale 1 year
- Irene Oloyede 1 year
- Cathy Timmerman 1 year

FEBRUARY

- Mark Limberg 18 years
- Danielle Revoir 9 years
- Cassie Werkmeister 8 years
- Josh Phillips 7 years
- Alli Beach-Pattison 5 years
- Holly Pence 4 years
- Christine Allen 3 years

MARCH

- Carla Eppel 22 years
- Michele Meservey 18 years
- Karie Harris 16 years
- Bobbi Huber 11 years
- Mary Lou Tollefson 11 years
- Jessica Phillips 7 years
- Liz Richmond 6 years
- Tawn Steffes 3 years
- Jennifer Erwin 2 years



Building a Foundation with... LifeQuest Foundation

Challenge Gift Completed

A generous donor matched the first \$15,000 of new and increased gifts given to the LifeQuest Foundation Annual Year End Campaign that began in November. All told, almost 90 donors increased their existing gift, or gave a brand new gift, resulting in over \$16,000 in new gifts to the Foundation.

"We're very thankful to this donor who has stepped up and offered this challenge," said LifeQuest Executive Director Pam Hanna. "We'll use funds raised from the Foundation to help people with disabilities live better lives," continues Hanna.

Myths About Planned Giving

There are many myths associated with planned giving, estate gifts, wills and other vehicles to give significant contributions to the LifeQuest Foundation and other non-profit organizations.

Myth: You have to be rich to give a planned gift.

Fact: Only in spirit! Planned Gifts of only \$1,000 are common and are welcome. A planned gift is a personally sacrificial donation that is made for future use.

Myth: I do not have much – I do not need a will.

Fact: Regardless of any gift to the LifeQuest Foundation, we hope that you would draft a will. Proper planning will significantly lessen the time and burden your family will encounter to properly complete your estate wishes.

Myth: You want all of my money after I'm gone!

Fact: We're sure you have family, friends and other entities you want to help. In fact, think of your family first! The LifeQuest Foundation only wants what YOU think you want to provide to the LifeQuest Foundation.

LifeQuest Foundation Online Donations

The LifeQuest Foundation can take donations via the Foundation's website, www.lifequestfoundation.org! "It's a simple and safe way to support us. The setup is easy to use, and continues to allow donors to give a Memorial or Tribute Gift, along with how we can let the family know of your gift."

Simply click on the "Give Today" link on the website and fill out the necessary information. After submitting information about the gift, it will submit that information directly to the Foundation, and will automatically re-direct you to WePay, an online payment service provider who partners with a number of online suppliers, such as gofundme. You will then submit your payment information and your gift will be given directly to the Foundation.

If you would like more information about online giving, call Brian Loken at (605) 990-7835 or e-mail him at bloken@lifequestsd.com.