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Congrats to the Royalty of the Snowflake Ball



Farrell and Stacy enjoy their dance together as the King and Queen of the 2017 Snowflake Ball

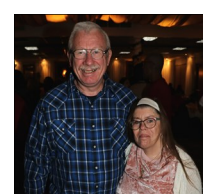
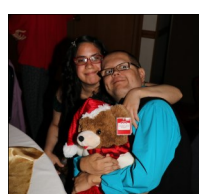
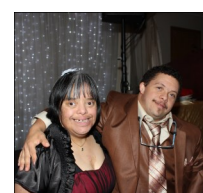
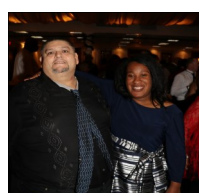
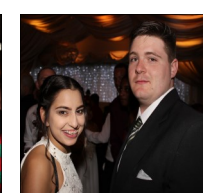
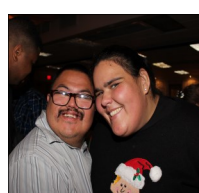
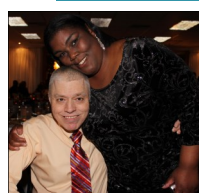
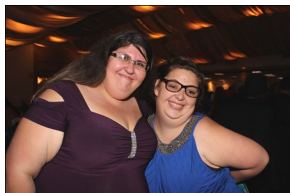
The 2017 Snowflake Ball was another huge success with a record number of people in attendance. Some 235 consumers, staff and guests enjoyed an elegant evening of fine food, great friends, and fantastic tunes spun by DJ Kevin Dobbs of Global Spinners. The evening was absolutely perfect and left everyone already talking about the 2018 event!

Once again, two individuals were crowned King and Queen of the Ball. Farrell Smith and Stacy Ocegueda, participants in the Work Readiness Program, were elected by their friends and co-workers. Both were very happy to have been selected. Farrell and Stacy enjoyed their first dance together and were then joined on the dance floor by Prince Jamari McBride and Princess April Williams of the Project Independence Program.



The Royal Court was announced by Desert Haven Executive Director Jenni Moran and crowned by PI Coordinator Lorraine McKesson and Director of Program Services Kathleen Miller.

DESERT HAVEN KNOWS HOW TO PARTY SNOWFLAKE BALL 2017



Consumers of the Month

Congratulations to our fellow coworkers, who have been selected by the staff as Consumers of the Month for the first half of 2017-18:

Work Readiness

(Food Service; Housekeeping/Towel; Off-Site Hab Crews)

Chai Kim
Jesse Briggs
Lana Logan
Jonathan Roberts
Alicia Noble
Thomas Cordova
Anitra Hernandez
Michael Cota
Elena Ramirez
Clayton Goodmond
Angelina Fraijo
Christian Segovia

Project Independence

Dorothy Lessley
James Kline
Shana Walker
David Walsh
Jared Clouse
Kelsey Monterroza

Supported Employment Individual Placement

(Chosen Quarterly)

July—September
Craig Collins, Enterprise Rent-A-Car

October—December
Marquez Hamilton, Smart & Final

Great Job and Congratulations!

Desert Haven's Got Talent!!



We have a lot of talent here at Desert Haven. One example is the Installation and Awards Ceremony held each year here in the Center, when Desert Haven installs the Board of Directors and gives awards to businesses and individuals who have helped the agency or persons with disabilities in some way. On that day, several consumers may volunteer to warm up and to entertain the large crowd of nearly 500 people, who attend the ceremony, before the ceremony begins.

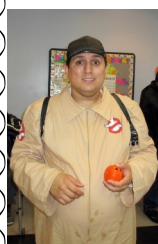
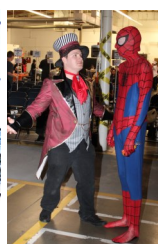
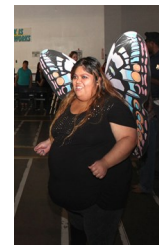


Last year, Nicole Harmon sang "Lean on Me"; John Crawford did a dance routine, even dancing with members of the audience; and Jacob Jenkins sang the National Anthem. The crowd was very enthusiastic and clapped their hands, tapped their toes, sang along, and appreciated each participant with a lot of applause.

If you are interested in possibly showing off your talent for the 2018 event, please let your Counselor know that you would like to be considered.



HALLOWEEN 2017: THE WHO'S WHO OF DHE



HALLOWEEN COSTUME WINNERS

Work Readiness Program



Above:
Best Male Costume: *Beetlejuice*
Joshua Connolly

Best Female Costume: *Glam Witch*
Kiana Yep

Best Overall: *Carrie*
Cathleen Trujillo

Project Independence



Above:
Best Male Costume: *Luigi*
Daniel Thompson

Best Female Costume: *Minnie Mouse*
Jade Perez

Best Overall: *Snow White*
Sandra Brazzil