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## BACKYARD





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6/14 Flag Day

6/15 Father's Day





6/19 Juneteenth

6/20 1st Day of Summer





Liz Lambert **Jamie Stoddard Aubrey Parker** Victoria Ruchotzke Patricia Gallo





**D-Lectable D-Lites Food Truck on site** 6/10 at SCI 6/24 at Admin **11am-1pm** 



# Shoutout to Kevin for being our resident Snake Wrangler!



No Maintenance
Team members were
harmed in the making
of this photo-op!

### **May New Hires**

Chelsea Eastwood-Direct Support Professional

> Holly Feuling-Home Health Aide

Lynn Wagoner-Home Health LPN

Angela Steines-Production Worker

# June Employee Anniversaries

Rick Buikema- 10 years
Bridget Ainley- 15 years
Caprice Dickey- 22 years
Dea Prince- 9 years
Chris Ryan- 8 years
Wendy Buikema- 8 years
Ellen Zimmerman- 5 years
David Schlecht- 5 years
Crystal Hansen- 5 years
Layla Smith- 2 years

Christy Allen- 5 years
Jamie Stoddard- 1 year
Alexis Jones- 6 years
Yvette Morris- 3 years
Ashley DeJesus- 10 years
Gianna Watkins- 6 years
Elizabeth Peltier- 3 years
Stacy Christiansen- 2 years
Chloe Gronewold- 2 years
Troy Husemann- 2 years



## Message from the Executive Director

Every once in a while, a story pops up in front of you that not only aligns with the things you are doing but is also perfectly timed. With the end of another school year imminent, graduations are fresh on our minds especially for those of us that have a senior in 2025. The People News story was simply titled "College President Knocked Down By Graduating Daughter in Adorable Video". The story states that on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> Clemson University President Jim Clements "witnessed a graduation to remember when his youngest daughter gleefully (and accidentally) knocked him down while accepting her diploma." Why does this particular story appeal to me as something to share in the newsletter? Well, Grace Clements is a young lady with an intellectual disability that was graduating from Clemson's LIFE program. LIFE is a program at Clemson that teaches individuals with disabilities independence, job skills, and according to the article, "how to sack a university president." The program specializes in preparing young men and women with intellectual disabilities for competitive employment & independent living. They even have a program that focuses on teaching skills strictly related to the hospitality industry. Perhaps even more heartwarming is the fact that the LIFE students are welcomed into the various fraternities and other programs offered to students. As we strive to integrate and provide inclusion for the individuals that we serve I couldn't help but think that the Clemson story reminds us that there are no limits to what individuals can do as long as society's mentality remains open to capabilities and possibilities. Thank you to our Skyline Board of Directors Secretary/Treasurer Tim Cottle for sharing this wonderful story with me. Tim just so happens to be a Clemson University alumnus, so this story was something that was near and dear to his heart. I encourage all of you to watch the heartwarming video of the "tackle" on YouTube as it will definitely make your day. I would like to close with noting that I obviously bleed Blue & Maize for Michigan athletics. After reading this story I think that maybe, just maybe I can support the Clemson Tiger orange and black on game days because of this great LIFE program that they have created. That is, of course, if they aren't playing Michigan....





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