



SEP
2025

Taking
Flight

BIRTHDAYS

Andrew Gallagher (Office Manager)	1	Isaac Borsay (Troseth)	13
Anab Houssein (Zen)	1	Kiki Ndogu (Hope)	13
Filsan Mengistu (Skycroft)	1	Steve S. (29th)	13
Solana Shepherd (1250 Hoyt)	2	Scott F. (Fairview)	14
Denise C. (York)	3	Deb Monk (HR Director)	15
Clifford Akporherhe (Tamberwood)	4	Robert Kamara (Stacker)	16
Bosede Babajide (11th Ave)	4	Alexis Sanborn (Wentworth)	16
James M. (Idaho)	4	Alisa Forkpah (Colfax)	17
Lyly Dao (Harmony)	5	Muna Abdullahi (Xerxes)	19
Adam V. (Harmony)	5	Joan E. (Groveland)	19
Jasmine Henderson (Harmony)	6	Barbara S. (York)	19
Nicole Pivec (HR Assistant)	7	Jess H. (Colfax)	20
Asha D. (Clinton)	8	Musukore Kamara (1250 Hoyt)	25
Margaret Kurtz (Aurora)	9	Vickie Johnson (Thomas)	26
Kyla R. (In-Home)	9	Marc Ouelette (Maintenance)	26
Rumiya Amei (Cielo)	10	Sherilyn S. (In-Home)	27
Catherine Bichsel (17th)	10	Cindy L. (Troseth)	28
Mark Meyer (Payroll Specialist)	10	Mark Wald (Clinton)	28
Abdulkhaliq Jama (Humble)	12	Andrew LaPage (Idaho)	29
Stantel H. (In-Home)	12	Ayan Mohamed (91.5)	29
Naima Sheikh-Hussein (91.5)	12	Clarrissa Renville-Bell (Groveland)	29

ANNIVERSARIES

Nimo Abdi (Humble)	1 yr	Daniela Lopez (Harmony)	2 yrs
Nusteho Abdiwahab (Zen)	1 yr	Angela Sandi Jumu (Thomas)	2 yrs
Gabriel Deng (Harmony)	1 yr	PangDer Vang (Somerset)	2 yrs
Kenya Harris (Aurora)	1 yr	Lami Amin (Cielo)	3 yrs
Alexis Johnson (Zen)	1 yr	Tobias Owiti (11th Ave)	3 yrs
Feven Kiros (Harmony)	1 yr	Brenda Unzen (In-Home)	3 yrs
Yvette Madison (Wentworth)	1 yr	Sheleion Drepaul (1250 Hoyt)	6 yrs
Nichole Muhre (Humble)	1 yr	Olubunmi Falade (11th Ave)	6 yrs
Richard Ombaso (Thomas)	1 yr	Ahmed Hasan (Oliver)	6 yrs
Valentine Ondo (Hope)	1 yr	Sue Willwerscheid (In-Home)	7 yrs
Nick Van Halm-Lutterodt (Humble)	1 yr	Nichole Hofbauer (Skillman)	8 yrs
Grace Wells (In-Home)	1 yr	Brenda Spraggins (17th)	15 yrs
Hayat Ali (Somerset)	2 yrs		



MAKING MEMORIES AT CAMP CONFIDENCE

Abundance of life
Dancing in lush foliage
Thrive with Confidence

— *Amber Mason, Skycroft House Coordinator*

From Aug. 5 through 8, Demont House went to Camp Confidence. During the trip, we had the opportunity of participating in several activities. Some of the activities that the clients and staff enjoyed were a sing-along, archery, fishing, zip lining, tubing, arcade games, swimming and a speedboat ride. On our last night, we all sat by the campfire and ate s'mores. Before leaving camp, we stopped by the gift shop to purchase some souvenirs. Demont's time at camp was fun and delightful. We look forward to going to camp in 2026!

— *Johnnie Mae Livingston, Demont House Coordinator*



CELEBRATING A MILESTONE BIRTHDAY: ASHA TURNS 40!

Clinton House joined in the fun as Asha D. celebrated her 40th birthday with cake and dinner at home. The festivities didn't stop there. Asha is also setting sail on a cruise with her mom and Program Director Deb Hofbauer for an unforgettable adventure. Of course, the Glee Club couldn't miss the chance to honor their favorite tambourine player and sing her "Happy Birthday!" Here's to Asha and the exciting year ahead. Happy 40th, Asha!

— Darohyn Gray, Development Officer



RAINBOW SUPPORT GROUP: EXPLORING SPIRITUAL PATHS TOGETHER

Rainbow Support Group met with guest speakers Tyler Sit of New City Church and Hunter Wengersky of J-PRIDE. Group members shared their experiences with different spiritual traditions and learned about LGBTQ+ affirming Jewish, Christian and Buddhist communities.

— Kyla Sisson, Rainbow Support Group


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MADE IN THE SHADE ART CONTEST FINALISTS

We're thrilled to share that Angie and Phoenix from Skycroft have been selected as finalists in the unassisted category of the Made in the Shade Art Contest, while Gail from Portland Avenue is a finalist in the assisted category. We couldn't be prouder of these artists! Congratulations, Angie, Phoenix, and Gail! Final voting for the contest will be at the Made in the Shade Art Contest table at Lake Bde Maka Ska on Saturday, Aug. 13 from 9:30 to 11:30 am with winners being announced at 12:00 pm.

— Liz Irizarry, Development Associate & Enrichment Coordinator

