

Union Station Clubhouse

Newsletter



A Day at Hutchinson Park

By: Dustin M.



On October 5th, members and staff went to Hutchinson Park in South Union Township. Members and staff spent the day at a pavilion enjoying music and conversing. There was also a Little Free Library nearby that the members enjoyed.

Furthermore, there were walking trails, a playground and other modern amenities for the park visitor. A great picnic lunch was served by both members and staff. In the afternoon, members and staff had discussion regarding clubhouse function and future.

This park will one day to connect to the Sheepskin Trail, which will connect to the Great Allegheny Passage between Connellsville and Dunbar to West Virginia, creating a multi-use path. This park is a true gem for residents and visitors in Fayette County.

In closing, thanks to the staff for allowing this day to occur for us and secondly, for the members who cooperated with us and enjoyed the day.

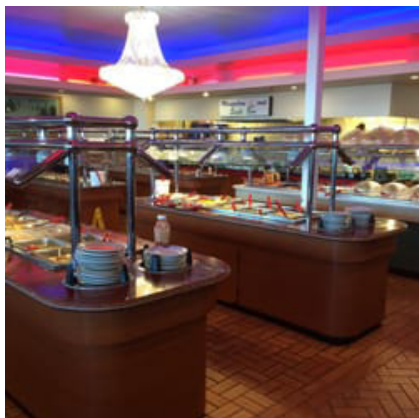
Member Spotlight: Nancy M.

Nancy M. has been a member at Union Station for approximately 4 years. What she enjoys the most about the program is the fact that she is receiving help from the Clubhouse to get a job.

Over the course of her time at the program she has learned a variety of skills, including how to cook and clean. She hopes that these two particular skills will help her in getting a job in the food service industry.

As they say, if you want to get a job, you have to start somewhere. Finding out what you are interested in doing for a career is often the hardest part! However, if she puts her mind to it, there is nothing she cannot do!





Eat-Out Night at All Star Asian Buffet

By: Krysta C.

We had a great time at the All Star Asian Buffet on October 11, 2018. We went as a family and we had a lot of fun together! The food was delicious and the service was nice. We will plan to go again in the future.

Autism Speaks Walk

By: Dustin M.

Last month, I participated in the Laurel Highlands Autism Speaks walk again. This year the walk was at Idlewild & Soak Zone. This year was about the same as last year, however more interactive tools online gave me the possibility to raise more funds. By doing so, I raised \$450.00. I was in the top 20 fundraisers and I also earned a t-shirt for raising over \$150.



The walk is rewarding in many ways as there are groups that talk their way through Story Book forest with inspiring stories and songs. For half of the day at Idlewild, there are no sounds played and noise is limited to the shaking of complimentary pom-poms, as those on the spectrum have hypersensitive hearing.

As there is no cause defined yet, funds are raised for research and supports for those on the spectrum.

Next year's plans call for t-shirts for my team and more proactive approach to securing funds. All in all, my second Autism Speaks walk was a success.



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