

# Dignity

## Fall 2013

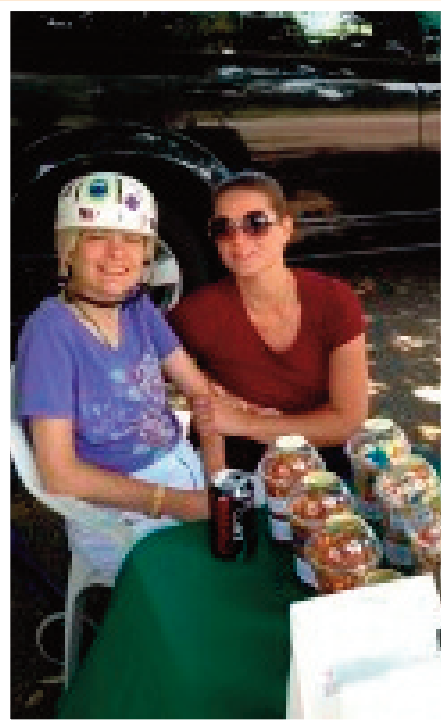
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### Goldie's Gourmet Goodies

Goldie Floberg's entrepreneurial partnership initiative is a supported employment project. It brings one or more people served and a staff member together to create meaningful and sustainable employment opportunities. This is an amazing opportunity for individuals who have been unsuccessful securing community employment. Our first project is Goldie's Gourmet Goodies. Dawn and Cori have partnered to create and sell delicious gourmet inside-out cupcakes and snack mix shakers. Prior to selling at local farmers' markets, Dawn works with certified cooks in the Center's kitchen to create these delicious delights.



Dawn and Cori attended their first farmers' market outside Likables & Recyclables at 5454 Bridge Street in Roscoe. They were supposed to be at the market from 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM but they sold out of cupcakes and snack mix shakers before 2:00 PM! The hottest item was The King inside-out cupcake. A banana flavored cake, it is filled with creamy peanut butter frosting and topped with thick cut bacon crumbles and a sweet glaze.



*Everyday is a day  
for cupcakes!*

#### "Just for You Size"

\$1.50 each  
\$8.50 per ½ dozen.  
\$16.00 per dozen.

#### "Signature Size"

\$3.00 each  
\$17.00 per ½ dozen.  
\$32.00 per dozen.

We have a variety of  
eight different  
cupcakes to choose  
from!

If you would like to place  
an order, call 815-624-  
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Orders need to be a half  
dozen minimum. Want to  
try GGG before you place  
your order? Goldie's  
Gourmet Goodies are  
being sold at Snow  
Delicious, in the  
CherryValeMall.





## Floberg Fire Brings Home The Gold

This year's Special Olympics Program brought many new exciting changes. The Floberg Team chose a new mascot to represent them as they competed at the Games. Each individual had the opportunity to vote on which mascot they felt best represented the Floberg Team. The highest amount of votes went to the Floberg Fire!

The team received entirely new uniforms; warm up suits and sports bags. This was made possible thanks to our generous donors. When competing in the Games, the athletes looked very confident and their performance was outstanding. The team also showcased their new uniforms in the Old Settlers Day Parade. At the latest event, Special Olympics Bowling, two team members received gold medals! We are very proud of our Floberg Athletes!



Even if an athlete did not qualify for State, some were able to participate as cheerleaders for their team! Their sportsmanship was amazing!

## Mother Christmas

Our Mother Christmas Program will be looking for help again this year to provide Christmas gifts for the members of the Floberg Family. Beginning Monday, November 4th Mother Christmas will be taking calls at (815) 721-1780 or e-mails at: [mothercmas@mail.goldiebfloberg.org](mailto:mothercmas@mail.goldiebfloberg.org). If you wish to buy a Mother Christmas gift, please call and receive a suggestion in the price range of \$5.00-\$30.00. Please deliver gifts unwrapped to the Center at 58 W. Rockton Road, Rockton no later than Friday, December 13th. Fire & Safety Equipment, 2420 Harrison Avenue, Rockford is a drop off site, also. If you want to choose a name but are unable to shop, Mother Christmas and her helpers will be happy to shop for you.



Fun with  
the Floberg  
Family!



## Mrs. Goldie B. Floberg Memorial Leadership Award

The Mrs. Goldie B. Floberg Memorial Leadership Award is a "lifetime achievement" award. It was established to honor an exemplary Center staff, board member, group or volunteer. Qualities or skills considered in the Center's selection of the award winner represent those possessed by Mrs. Floberg, the former Winnebago County Chief Probation Officer. Shortly before she died in 2000 at age one hundred, she was named one of the most important people of the 20th Century in the Rock River Valley.

"For a community to be whole and healthy, it must be based on people's love and concern for each other." Millard Fuller, the author of that quote, must have had the Lions Clubs in mind when he said that! Since 1917, Lions Clubs have helped empower volunteers to serve their own communities, meet humanitarian needs, promote peace and encourage an international understanding. That is the essence of their mission. Perhaps best known for fighting blindness, Lions Clubs are just as committed to many programs and projects which strengthen community members. "We serve" is their response to children and adults

worldwide to meet their health, educational, recreational and social needs. "We serve" is their response to protecting their environment across the planet.

The Roscoe Lions Club was chartered in August 1961 and has a rich history of service in the community. Forty-two years ago, they started the Roscoe Fall Festival, a favorite area tradition. This fundraiser, a weekend of family fun, benefits several local charities, including the Goldie B. Floberg Center. The Floberg Center has been the recipient of their kindness for nearly three decades. Their support has helped provided opportunities for Floberg Center athletes to engage in Special Olympics participation. They have supported the Center's



youth in Boy Scout Troop #643 by paying for Camp Indian Trails registration fees. They funded the purchase of AEDs and also contributed to the Center's Playground Project. Their commitment has been vital in enriching the lives of the youth and adults served by the Center. We are thankful for their impact on the lives of the Floberg Center family.





## Fun in the Mud

Several months ago the Goldie B. Floberg Center was looking for a team building activity. The Center was considering putting together a mud volleyball team for the Epilepsy Foundation's annual Volleyball Tournament. It just so happened that the Epilepsy Foundation was looking for volunteers to coordinate parking for the massive event. Our two agencies came together to help each other, with the Floberg Center coordinating parking and the Epilepsy Foundation providing the Center with two team slots and a court. We had a great team-building day and got to help out our fellow service provider. A winning situation for everyone!



## Paragon Staff

The Goldie B. Floberg Center bestowed its highest form of staff recognition on two individuals. Jamesson Keyes and Nathan Fry were named Paragon staff on August 21st. A Paragon is a staff member who excels at implementing our mission and vision and who exemplifies our values. They are role models for other staff. Jamesson and Nathan are the first two Paragon staff the Center has named. The following statements are excerpts from their nominations:

*"Jamesson is a natural teacher to the people we serve. He continuously works very hard to achieve our clientele's satisfaction. Jamesson has driven our clients to meaningful events and activities and has played an active role in teachable moments throughout the activities."*

*"It has been my experience that Nathan will do just about anything to help the team. He will change his schedule to cover supervisor hours, he will cover on-calls, and he will volunteer to take on assignments that others don't. I'm not sure if the word "no" or "I can't" are in Nathan's vocabulary when it comes to the team or our clients."*

Congratulations Jamesson and Nathan! We are proud of you!!



## GRANTS & GIFTS HELP TO ENRICH AND EMPOWER THE LIVES OF EACH PERSON SERVED!!

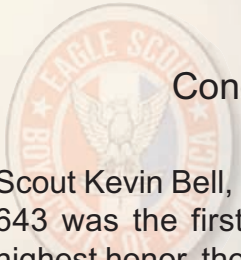
<b>Durand Lions Club</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
This grant was used to help support the Special Olympics Games.	
<b>Eagles Aerie #392 Auxilliary</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
This grant was used for therapeutic horseback riding.	
<b>GKN Foundation</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
This grant was used to purchase nutritional supplements for several clients who were in need.	
<b>Kegel Motorcycle Co. &amp; Rock River Harley Owners Group #1104</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
These proceeds from the annual Biker Jam will be used for our Special Olympics Program participants.	
<b>Knights of Columbus #470</b>	<b>\$1,571.00</b>
This grant defrays the cost of nutritional supplements for clients.	
<b>Knights of Columbus # 13123</b>	<b>\$1,245.00</b>
This grant was used for our athletes' participation in Special Olympics.	
<b>Roscoe Lions Club</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>
This club continues to be a long-term supporter of our Special Olympics Program.	
<b>South Beloit Lions Club</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
This grant was used to help increase our participation in the Special Olympics Program.	
<b>UTC Aerospace</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
This grant was used to help support our riders who receive therapeutic horseback riding.	
<b>William S. Howard Trust</b>	<b>\$6,815.00</b>
This grant will help to make our Special Olympics Program possible for all of our athletes.	

### Your Giving Makes a BIG Difference

Your hard-earned dollars make a very significant impact for us in a variety of ways. Many companies have an employee matching gift program. Some allow you to double or triple your gift's value. Some match a person's volunteer hours with a cash contribution while some allow time off for volunteering at non-profits. Memorial and honor gifts benefit our clients as well.

You may wish to discuss with your loved ones, attorney or financial advisor the ways that estate planning and other charitable giving strategies can assist you in leaving a legacy gift to the Goldie Floberg Center. It can be as simple as using the following language on your insurance policy, IRA or other beneficiary designation forms, or providing it to your attorney for inclusion in your living trust or will. "I leave (e.g. % of my estate, \$ amount, residue) to the Goldie B. Floberg Center, a not-for profit corporation located in Rockton, Illinois to support the mission of the Goldie B. Floberg Center."





### Congratulations Kevin

Scout Kevin Bell, a member of Goldie Floberg Troop 643 was the first member to receive Boy Scouts' highest honor, the Eagle Scout Award. He has been an inspiration to other Troop members. They helped him with his project, a requirement of the award. The project was to redo the memorial garden at his church, Riverside Community Church. The result is a beautiful and peaceful place. Troop members participated in Kevin's Award ceremony as well. As a result of Kevin's example and achievement as well as the high esteem other Troop members have for him, we expect more members to follow in his foot steps! Congratulations, Kevin!



We appreciate the dedication of our Scout leaders which include Kevin's mom, Nannette. Thank you, Scout Leader Team. You make awesome things happen!

### NEW WEBSITE

The Goldie B. Floberg Center has a new website! The new and improved site provides information about the history of the Center, our mission, new services, employment opportunities and much more. Please visit us at [goldiebfloberg.org](http://goldiebfloberg.org) to stay current on our recent events and subscribe to our Newsletter!

The website also makes it possible to donate using our secured online PayPal account.



### FALL FESTIVITIES

Many of our clients recently went to the Edwards Apple Orchard. The individuals visited with the animals, purchased some awesome goodies, explored the gift shop and tasted a variety of delicious samples.



## We Are Thankful For Your Gifts

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