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NEWSLETTER OF RAUCH, INC.

Behind *the* Seen

Rauch Helps John Find Fulfillment in Work and Life

Pam, a Rauch Supported Employment Consultant, first met John in late 2012. He was a very large fellow with piercing blue eyes and a somewhat disheveled appearance. He was very quiet and seemed guarded when speaking to her. At first glance, he appeared intimidating.

John wanted to work in food service. After several meetings and setting small goals, his grooming improved. He became more trusting of Pam and began to share information about his interests and dreams, including that he enjoys photography and would like to eventually become a chef. Not originally from the area, John was isolated. He did not know anyone in the community but his family.

A new Bob Evans was set to open on State Street in New Albany. They were hiring, and John was interested in applying. John was thrilled to be

selected for an interview. John and Pam prepared for the interview by reviewing possible questions and answers. He was very open and willing to work with her on this process.

Pam picked John up for the interview to ensure he was on time. On the drive, he appeared nervous but excited. He had been out of work for a few years and had limited success in getting interviews. The interview went well, and John was relieved and pleased to be invited to a second one. He was offered a position as a kitchen prep person and gladly accepted, smiling from ear to ear. John thanked Pam for all the help that she had given him, but he was disappointed about one thing... he would no longer see her after he was stable in his job.

John arrived to work his first day early and motivated. After being on the job for a short while, he started making friends at the workplace. He quickly received acknowledgements from his supervisors for his good work. John volunteers for overtime and has been successfully cross-trained for other positions in the restaurant. He recently got a raise, and was told that he would likely be eligible for another pay increase soon. The job has been good for him in other ways, too – he has lost so much weight that he is going to have to use some of that raise to buy new clothes.

John still has a glow of happiness when he sees Pam. He has come so far and kindly thinks of others by informing her of possible openings at Bob Evans from time to time. Pam is proud to call John one of her success stories, and is especially pleased that his life has improved not just financially but also socially. He carries himself with a sense of pride that he did not have at their initial meeting, and she knows he will continue to do well for himself.

Did this story inspire you? Share it with your friends via our blog at rauchinc.org/blog

*October is National
Disability Employment
Awareness Month!*



The 2013 Lucas Oil Golf Scramble Benefiting Rauch is a Sweet Success



*The incredible birthday cake by
New Albany's Sweet Stuff Bakery*

Rauch's fifth annual golf scramble was another record setter. We're thrilled to share that the event generated nearly \$15,000 in net proceeds after expenses to provide programs and services supporting children and adults with disabilities in our community—a 19% increase in profits over the 2012 event. The event hosted 120 players, 30% more than 2012 and our highest attendance ever. We have many to thank for this tremendous success; a listing of our generous sponsors can be found to the right.

2013 is Rauch's 60th year of service to Southern Indiana. In honor of that milestone, the scramble had a birthday theme. Men had the opportunity to don a birthday hat (instead of a grass skirt) for a 100 yard teeing advantage at one of the holes. Brown-Forman Corporation's Jack Daniels Birthday Cake Cocktail was served on the course in keeping with the theme.

The golf scramble also fell on Rauch CEO Bettye Dunham's birthday, and there was a special surprise on the course in her honor—a 7-foot tall cardboard cutout of her! To see more photos of the fun, visit Rauch's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/rauchinc.



The winners of the 2013 Lucas Oil Golf Scramble were: 1st Place: M&M Amish Custom Cabinets, 2nd Place: Ford Kentucky Truck Plant, and 3rd Place: S&J Precision. In honor of Rauch's 60th birthday, W. M. Kelley Company scored a 61 and won the prize for scoring closest to 60. Other contest winners were: Putting Contest, Marshall Cox & Dick Peterson; Longest Putt, Dayton McAloon; Closest to the Pin Hole 4, Paige Geary; and Closest to the Pin Hole 11, Tom Stumler. Congratulations everyone!

We hope to see you at the event next year. Please contact Teresa Jackson, Director of Development, at tjackson@rauchinc.org or 812-945-4063 to participate in or sponsor the 2014 event.



First Place Team: M&M Amish Cabinets



Rachelle, Bettye and Doug stop for a photo op

individuals ask "Can I do that?" while a disabled person when do that?" – perhaps we should all think more often like a disabled

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Left: Jacobi Oil Service's team poses with "Bettye". Above: Rauch Board Member Larry Timperman helps with balloons during setup.

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All the proceeds from the Imagine Awards benefit the Rauch Foundation, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, and guarantee that services for our clients will be provided in the future.

Help us make this Imagine Awards spectacular! The 14th annual Imagine Awards will be held at Horseshoe Southern Indiana on March 1, 2014, to kick off National Disability Awareness Month and honor three deserving Imagine Award recipients.

The night will include a unique silent and live auction, a delicious

Imagine Awards Nominations Are Open

Have you ever wondered how the Imagine Awards honorees are chosen? Do you have a neighbor, co-worker, or family member that has a disability or advocates for those who have disabilities? Do you know a business that is committed to enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities? Have you ever thought, "Well, so and so should receive that award."? Here's your chance—nominate them for an Imagine Award!

Rauch is accepting nominations for the 2014 Imagine Awards in the categories of Individual with a Disability, Community Leader/Citizen/Volunteer, and Business/Organization. Nominations can be made online at rauchinc.org/imagine. A printable nomination form is also available on our website, and can be faxed to 812-941-8820, e-mailed to ldavis@rauchinc.org, or mailed to 845 Park Place, New Albany, IN 47150. If you would prefer to receive a form by mail, please contact Lindsey at 812-981-4411.

**Make your nominations today.
The deadline is November 15.**

A Journey of Fellowship... and Food

Like all of us, the people Rauch serves have an array of interests, abilities, goals, and dreams. Staff members like Peggy Pinaire spend their days helping these individuals on their journey of expanding those abilities, enjoying these interests, and achieving their goals and dreams. Along this path, however, Peggy often finds that our clients give back just as much as they receive.



Peggy has been at Rauch for nearly six years, and has spent Wednesdays with Michelle for two of those years. The pair quietly starts their day at the New Albany Library before heading up the street to Riverview Towers to prepare for a literal journey around town. At Riverview, staff from LifeSpan Resources provides them with enough food to feed fifteen hungry people... and then they're off!

Michelle and Peggy traverse the streets of New Albany in Peggy's small car, listening to the radio and chatting. This is more than a joy ride, though. The meals they received at Riverview are a lifeline for the homebound and the elderly, and Michelle and Peggy deliver them with cheer and love. Along the way, Peggy helps Michelle learn each recipient's name and greet them accordingly. Michelle, a 10-year Meals on Wheels veteran, doesn't need any help with the hospitality part of the equation.



Ann is thrilled to see them arrive, and responds with a warm greeting. Michelle and Peggy have visited her home each week for a year, and Ann exclaims three words that demonstrate their impact – "I love Michelle!" After some brief chatting, the delivering duo is back to their mission.

Mary is as thrilled to see Peggy and Michelle as Ann was. She's known Michelle and her family since Michelle was a young girl. In fact, she says that she considers both delivery ladies to be her family. Michelle was initially apprehensive about Mary's beautiful cats. Now, however, she gladly gives them a loving pat before returning to the car.

Kent has difficulty getting around, and doesn't see well anymore. When delivering his meal, Michelle and Peggy perform another important service by bringing in his mail. And then there's Amy, who greets the two with the enthusiasm of a doting grandmother, bestowing huge, enthusiastic hugs upon their arrival. There is little doubt that Michelle and Peggy are a very bright and beloved spot in both Kent and Amy's Wednesdays.

After this journey is complete, Peggy and Michelle take a little time for themselves. Munching on a salad at a local restaurant, they have the satisfaction of knowing that their friends are enjoying a healthy meal, too – and that they helped make that happen.

LifeSpan Resources always needs more Meals on Wheels delivery drivers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Janet Manzo at (812) 948-8330.

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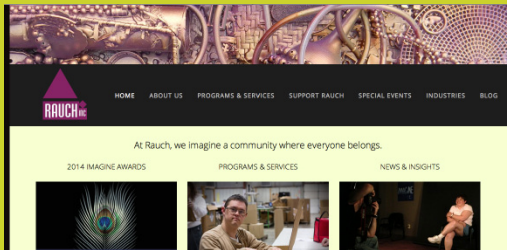


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