



*From the Corner Office...*

**ASPIRATIONS**

The dictionary defines the word – aspiration – as a hope or ambition of achieving something. But did you know that aspiration is also a medical term which describes the act or process of drawing in breath? Combining these two definitions one could say that our aspirations give way to hope which in turn, fuels the very breath of life.

Aspirations have come to mind throughout the past several weeks. As we watched the rafters being hoisted into place on our campus outdoor pavilion, I began to imagine the breaths that will be taken in this space as well as the moments in this space that will just take our breath away. A stage will occupy the rear area where our talented and amazing children will perform, recite poetry, sing, dance and... grow. If the construction schedule goes as planned, we will break in our new pavilion as we gather in early June to bear witness to our Chanticleer Learning Center's Class of 2021 crossing that "stage of life", collecting their high school diplomas and continuing with their ambitions for the future.

Aspirations in the form of hope for brighter days continues as our high school graduations give way to summer plans that promise loosened COVID-19 restrictions if the current trends of more vaccinations and fewer infections continue. Our agency operations have maintained necessary precautions and restrictions that we hope to gradually lift in the coming weeks and months. We are hopeful that the summer months will give those we serve more opportunity to safely venture out into our local communities and do as country singer Faith Hill suggests – just Breathe.

Wishing all of our readers aspirations of a summer filled with wide open spaces, fresh air and deep breaths in the company of those who bring you joy.



Aspirations Inspired by Our New Pavilion

Laura Cooper, Executive Director



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

- 5/5 Angie Morrison
- 5/6 Gemelia Welch
- 5/12 Meaghan Hayward
- 5/16 Kevin Brooks
- 5/20 Doreene Carlisle
- 5/24 Marcus Johnson
- 5/24 Miah Burton

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

- 6/2 Iesha Calhoun
- 6/5 Senetra Stovall
- 6/6 Sherry Cook
- 6/13 Ashton Harris
- 6/17 Sherrell Holloway
- 6/18 Skye Guice
- 6/19 Ashley Beasley
- 6/19 Chanesha Morgan
- 6/21 Kelley Wells
- 6/24 Andrea Guy
- 6/30 Shelia Penn

**NEW HIRES**

- 4/03/2021 Steven Gaddis, Residential Specialist Detention
- 4/10/2021 Ashley Beasley, Residential Specialist Detention
- 4/15/2021 Aerial Hutcherson, Residential Specialist Passages

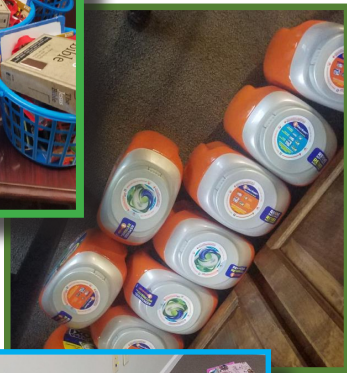
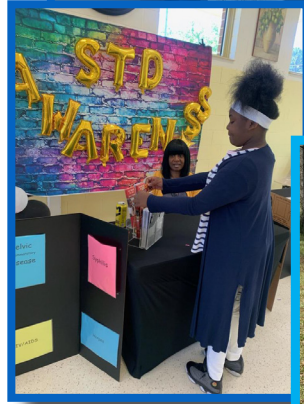
- 4/19/2021 Kearston Clark, Counselor Psychological Services
- 4/20/2021 Ella Howard, Counselor Psychological Services
- 4/20/2021 Maleshia Bryant, Social Worker Passages
- 4/27/2021 Shayla Ray, Weekend Residential Specialist
- 5/6/2021 Andrea Guy, Residential Specialist Voyages





# CENTER SCENES...

SPRING IS IN THE AIR!



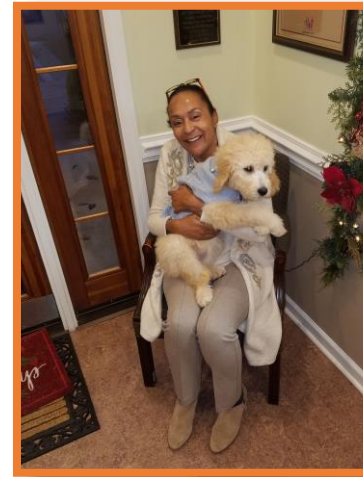
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WE APPRECIATE YOU!



## HAILEY'S HOME

In 2016 she came to us as a ball of fur and two bright eyes. Most of her "forever family" at the TLP Home had never heard the term Golden-Doodle. We just knew that she was gorgeous, loving and more than a little bit mischievous. As our Hailey's 5th Birthday approaches, we wanted to reflect on all that she has brought to our family and our home. Hailey allows us to take a seat and calm down in her presence on even our worst days. When we have spats at our home. Hailey chimes in to tell us – in her own way – to cut it out, she is right there in the mix. She barks and wags her tale to let us know that she is happy to see us when we have been away. She also is super protective of us and our home and does not hesitate to let us know – in her own way – when there is stranger danger afoot. As the photos attest, our Hailey has grown and changed from that small round ball of puppy fur to a tall, stately friend. Thank you for the joy you bring and the love you share – Hailey is Home!



## RESPIRE HOUSE HAIR SALON

They say it's a mighty bad wind that doesn't blow in some good. COVID-19 was and is a very bad wind. However this pandemic has allowed us to reimagine some things around campus. We emphasize the need for our children to self-care and to be mindful of taking time with hygiene. And of course, this includes taking time to properly care for and style their hair – hard to do in a pandemic, right? We are happy to announce the opening of our own Respite House Hair Salon where our children can go and get pampered without the risk associated with public hair salon spaces. Thank you to our contracted hair care specialists who will be who will help us with this new initiative – a good wind has blown our way!



## COA ACCREDITATION CEREMONY

