



BREAKTHROUGH HOUSE CLUBHOUSE



DECEMBER 2009

TOGETHERNESS FOR CHRISTMAS DAY



Lunch will be served Christmas day at the Clubhouse from 12-1:30. Temple Beth Sholom will prepare and serve the food for members. At least forty-five plus are expected to attend. Also, gifts will be handed out to members.

NEW CLUBHOUSE

The new Clubhouse is the best that we have ever had. It is all new with bright lighting in a new location. I liked the Clubhouse on Topeka Blvd. the best before. When we first moved the Clubhouse to 5th and Western, I didn't

think I'd like it, but once it was fixed up it was OK. But, we really moved up in the world when we moved to the current Clubhouse last year. I have been a member for 30 years.

by Barb M.

DAVID A.

David is a long-time member of our Clubhouse. He is originally from Denver, Colorado where he attended school. He came to Kansas in 1975. His family lived in Hutchinson at the time. Now his family lives in Colorado.



His interests are fishing, deer hunting, and playing the steel guitar. He used to play in the "Night Life" band at the Mint Club in Wichita.

He is 49 years old, divorced and has four kids. He eventually would like to start a restaurant business.

He enjoys the field trips at Breakthrough House and also likes to help in maintenance.

MELBA F.

What do you like best about the Clubhouse?

Melba: “Answering the telephone. I like to hear people’s stories and lives.”

How long have you been a member?

Melba: “Since October 11, 1987, I was nineteen.”

What skills would you like to develop?

Melba: “Singing and acting.”

What things do you remember about the old Clubhouse?

Melba: “I went to the Breakthrough House in Wichita. I didn’t go to the old Clubhouse in Topeka.”

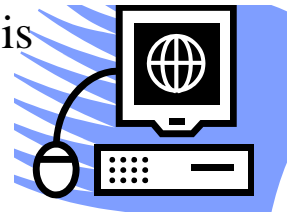
What do you do on the weekends?

Melba: “ I listen to Elvis Presley. I like to walk to Family Dollar store. I like to listen to my roommate. I like to play the piano. I like to call friends on the telephone. I miss my friends from Newton. I would like to be a politician.”

by Regina H.

New Staff Member

Patricia Jordan started December 14th at the Clubhouse. She is the coordinator for the Clerical Unit.



In addition, twice a week she teaches GED classes at the Adult Education Center.

Ideally all consumers who participate in the clerical unit will follow a schedule of increasingly more difficult assignments to become proficient on the computers.

by Regina H.

Benefits of Employment



David B. works at Dillon's on 21st and Fairlawn. He

has worked there for 1 year as a sacker and carry-out assistant. He also moves carts from the parking lot corrals into the store.

The newly opened store at 21st and Fairlawn is closer to where David lives. It is bigger and brighter than the previous location at 21st and Belle. Also, it offers more products.

David enjoys his work. He gets satisfaction from knowing that he is helping others. Visiting with the customers is a pleasure; plus it provides a pleasant atmosphere. The responsibility of keeping supplies replenished and

keeping the store clean are duties that he takes seriously.

This part-time job allows David to be productive, associate with customers, and supplement his income.

by David B.



HOLIDAY FUN

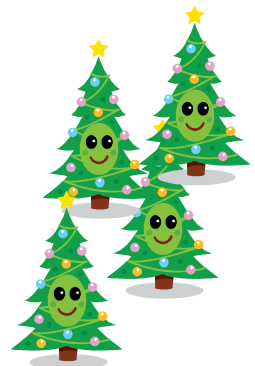
What did the bald man say when he received a comb for Christmas?

“Thanks, I’ll never part with it!”

Why are Christmas trees like bad knitters?

“They both drop their needles!”

by Regina H.



Clubhouse Hours

Mon, Wed, Fri 9-6:30 pm

Tues & Thurs 9-7:30 pm

Holidays 12-4 pm

Clubhouse Staff

Jim.....Director

Michri.....Asst. Director

Andre.....Kitchen

JoeMaintenance

Patricia Clerical

Meals

(Cost is \$.50)

(\$.25 for group home residents)

Monday....(FREE)noon

Tues through Frinoon

Holidays...(FREE)...1:00 pm

Mon, Wed, Fri.....5:30 pm

Tues & Thursday.....4:30 pm

Van Hours

(Cost is \$.25 each way)

(\$.10 for group home residents)

Rides 8 am & 4 pm

Tues & Thurs.....7:30 pm

Holidays.....11 am & 4 pm

