

# THE INCIDENT REPORT

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## Upcoming Events

Summer is *FINALLY* here!!!

We take full advantage of the three hot months by doing various activities like attending Twins, Saints and Lynx games. On nice sunny days “Let’s Go Fishing” takes us boating and fishing during work hours (I’m still waiting on my invite).

Summer also brings the annual WorkAbilities Carnival! We have fun events going on all week including dress-up days and a Magician all leading up to the big Carnival complete with games, prizes, snacks and fun!

More activities like walks, picnics and paddleboat rides are happening too!

Have a great summer, everyone!

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## Mr. Smith (BJ) Goes to Washington

“I got to see those monuments, the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument.” B.J. was eager to talk about his recent visit to Washington D.C.

“So we were standing on the corner waiting for this bus and then all of the sudden I saw like this presidential limo go by and I looked inside and it was him, President Obama. I waved to him. It was really cool.

And then we took a city bus... you know those trains that go underground and then we took the big bus and we went to the National Zoo. We saw the Washington Monument and we saw the Lincoln Memorial and the cherry blossoms too. We went to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall. When we saw that my Dad was just crying. And we saw that Marine Corps Memorial (Iwo Jima Memorial).

You can rent paddle boats and kayaks but we didn’t have time for that. We went to Mount Vernon and we saw this house and it was really nice. And we saw that World War II Memorial. And then... the Capitol Building! They were remodeling the dome.

Last but not least... the White House. I got to go on the White House lawn for free. First you had to show your ID to the security guard. Then he checks your birthday and social security number. Then they give you a key chain that says, “Visitor/Work”. Then I got this hat right here that has a special pin. I got a model of the president’s plane called, “Air Force One”.

Everything was just really neat. It was the best trip I’ve ever been on!”



# Simon Interviews...Russell B.

**Simon:** What's your age?

**Russell:** 51 years old.

**Simon:** What are your favorite sports teams?

**Russell:** Minnesota Vikings, Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Twins but I will watch any team.

**Simon:** Is your dad an actual banker?

**Russell:** No. He was a baker. "The only banker rolling in the dough."

**Simon:** You had a surgery recently. Can I ask what it was for and how are you feeling now?

**Russell:** Neck surgery. I feel okay. Sometimes it still hurts.

**Simon:** I personally witnessed you eating 4 hotdogs at the Twins game. How many do you think you could eat?

**Russell:** 7 hotdogs. I only like mustard on them.

**Simon:** Do you have any goals in life? Education? President? Banker?

**Russell:** To be really good with my new talker.

**Simon:** What's your favorite food?

**Russell:** Lasagna.

**Simon:** Tell us one thing that we don't know about you.

**Russell:** I wrestled for Minnetonka in high school. Record: 0-2



Simon B.



Russell B.

# Welcome to WorkAbilities



**Jody C. (April)**



**Joe S. (June)**



**Sarah M. (June)**



**Charles A. (May)**



**Angela W. (June)**



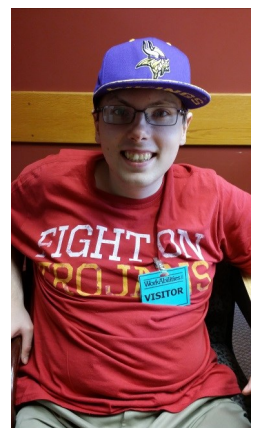
**Kathy B. (June)**



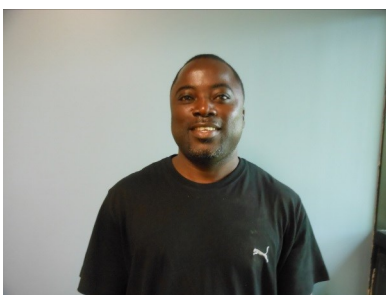
**Kim B. (May)**



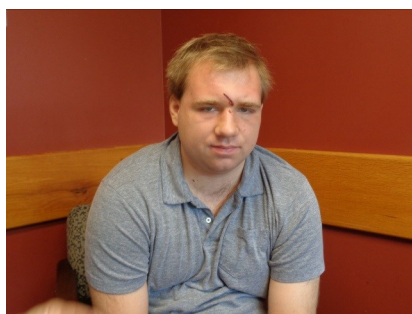
**Chris M. (June)**



**Richard D. (June)**



**Doyen K. (June)**



**Matthew H. (June)**



# Client Spotlight

## Group I

### Ralph K.



Ralph has been with WorkAbilities since July 1983. Ralph loves his time with the ladies in Group I. He likes to relax in the recliner. Ralph is good spirited and frequently starts laughing spontaneously making his belly wiggle like jello. His favorite staff is Nikayla. Ralph likes loud music and crowds. Ralph's favorite time of day is arriving to WorkAbilities to see all his peers and staff. Ralph likes hanging out with his friends from Homeward Bound. Ralph enjoys hand lotion and head/foot massage. Ralph enjoys to be out in nature. Ralph loves laughing with staff and room peers and is a beam of light in Group I.

## Group II

### Melissa G.



Melissa has been at WorkAbilities since May 2003. Melissa seems to love coming to WorkAbilities and will always give you a smile and likes to say hello to everyone she sees, especially Sam. Melissa is often laughing and making jokes. She enjoys music and swimming. Her favorite outings are camping and going to the state fair. Her favorite people to be around are Michael, Susan G. and Michelle R. Melissa loves the men at WorkAbilities, being silly and seeing Sam. Melissa's favorite staff is... Sam!

## Group III

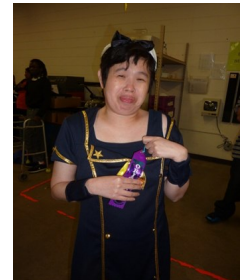
### Vince C.



Vince started at WorkAbilities in October of 1983. Vince loves to keep busy. He likes working at all jobs; labelling for mailings, laundry delivery and O-rings. Vince says he likes doing his recycling job. Vince has an uncanny memory of events. He always welcomes a staff "back" if they were gone for a day. Vince notices what you're wearing. Vince clearly watches the news and recounts important current events. Hint; don't tell Vince anything about an upcoming surprise event. Vince says his favorite activity outside of WorkAbilities is going to the river for a walk. He also enjoys fishing. Vince recently asked his current room staff to revise a class about the Mississippi River he had enjoyed from a different classroom. Vince was one happy camper when Josh returned from his teaching experience.

## Group IV

### Dai L.



Dai has been with WorkAbilities since October, 1997. Dai loves to work and keep busy. Her favorite job is the greeting card job. When a new pallet of cards arrives she ritually looks at all of the different styles on the pallet smiling. Then she gaily walks back to her work station clearly filled with joy. Her favorite staff to work with is Isaac. Dai doesn't especially like classes as she would rather be working. Dai likes painting and enjoys having her nails done. She also likes going to the park especially if it involves walking there. She likes swinging on the swing. You can tell when Dai is happy from her beaming smile and natural laughter. Dai likes to bring candy gifts to people at WorkAbilities on her birthday. Dai is a welcome face in Group IV.

## JULY

1 Brian C.  
 2 Jim L.  
 2 Erik Y.  
 3 Mark E.  
 5 John Y.  
 5 Laura T.  
 6 Tam L.  
 6 Shevonne M.  
 7 Josh S.  
 7 Steve S.  
 8 Dale H.  
 8 Paul F.  
 8 Bonnie M.  
 9 Ryan K.  
 9 Jason B.  
 10 Rachel E.  
 11 Rico B.  
 12 **Sylvester M.**  
 12 Ben C.  
 12 Sarah M.  
 14 John M.  
 15 Amanda G.  
 16 Jeff S.  
 16 Spencer H.  
 16 Vince C.  
 18 **Nikayla G.**  
 20 Edwin S.  
 20 Jeff S.  
 21 Nicole B.  
 22 **Brigette M-A**  
 22 Nicole B.  
 23 Susan G.  
 23 Joe S.  
 25 Nan T.  
 27 Rocco S.  
 27 Ben V.  
 30 Missy S.  
 30 Missy K.  
 30 Karen L.  
 31 **Victoria S.**  
 31 Judy D.

## AUGUST

1 **Cassie O.**  
 1 Melissa G.  
 1 Meaghan M.  
 3 **Wendy B.**  
 4 **Clarence W.**  
 4 Kim B.  
 4 Chris N.  
 5 Richard D.  
 6 Marlene S.  
 8 Matthew B.  
 10 **Laura E.**  
 10 John S.  
 10 Amy G.  
 12 Jackie C.  
 13 **Luana B.**  
 13 **Hadiza O.**  
 13 Randy G.  
 14 **Doug G.**  
 14 Tim M.  
 14 Demah S.  
 14 Hodan I.  
 15 Eric G.  
 17 **Magnus B.**  
 17 Khaled A.  
 18 Daniel T.  
 19 Michelle T.  
 20 Kathie P.  
 22 Donald R.  
 23 Matt E.  
 24 Brian L.  
 26 Cody P.  
 26 Tony M.  
 26 David H.  
 28 Eddie B.  
 28 Jenjeela S.  
 31 **Mardia L.**  
 31 Marlene C.

# BIRTHDAYS

## SEPTEMBER

1 **Quinn B.**  
 3 Ceile S.  
 5 Cindy K.  
 6 **Elizabeth E.**  
 6 Donmino P.  
 7 **Isaac R.**  
 7 Shannon L.  
 11 Lindsay K.  
 14 Matthew R.  
 15 **John N.**  
 16 **Fran T.**  
 17 **Stephanie A.**  
 17 Frances R.  
 22 Justin A.  
 23 Chelsea R.  
 25 Cindy B.  
 25 Ha N.  
 26 **Linnea P.**  
 27 Jeff B.  
 29 Aaron J.  
 30 Bob W.



## Anniversaries

### JULY

Magnus B. 2 Years  
 Jane F. 1 Year  
 Rachel R. 3 Years  
 Rox M. 21 Years  
 Scott W. 23 Years

### AUGUST

Brittian O. 2 Years  
 Ashley J. 4 Years  
 Quinn B. 7 Years  
 Stephanie A. 16 Years

### SEPTEMBER

Victoria W. 2 Years  
 Jody J. 1 Year  
 Samuel K. 3 Years  
 Liz E. 3 Years  
 Larry L. 10 Years  
 Kelly D. 9 Years  
 Nikayla G. 11 Years  
 Johnetta F. 12 Years





# Looking Back



Boy, WorkAbilities sure knows how to have fun! Once the temperature gets above zero, we are out and about– Feed My Starving Children, Twins Games, Como Zoo, Sea Life and “Let’s Go Fishing “just to name a few. Let’s not forget how fun our staff Coffee Connections are...celebrating anniversaries, playing root beer pong, Cinco De Mayo Margaritas at 9:00 a.m., a Father’s Day guessing game and let’s not forget the “hilarious” parking prank on April Fools Day (\*\*cough cough... Karma). Good times.