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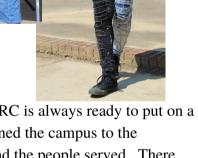
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Move over *The Voice* and *America's Got Talent* because HRC is always ready to put on a show. On August 21st, the Recreation Department summoned the campus to the amphitheater to be entertained by their fellow coworkers and the people served. There were dancers, singers, and some very passionate and comedic performances.

Each participant deserves credit because it's not easy to stand before an audience and perform. Thank you to these brave souls for rising to the occasion and putting on a good show. Thank you to the Recreation Department for organizing, yet another, fun event and providing fresh popcorn.





EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to Cindy Brown and Antwone
Perkins, the Employees of the Quarter for the third
quarter! Cindy Brown is a Direct Care Worker
Alternate Supervisor at the Meridian Group Home.
Tammy Atkins, her supervisor said, "Cindy is always
on time for her shift and follows her work schedule,
attends team & DCW meetings. Cindy has a great
attitude. Cindy gets along great with her coworkers."

Antwone Perkins is a Media Coordinator in the Staff Development Department. Timila Bell said, "Antwone brings an infectious enthusiasm to his job. He wants everyone to be excited about what we do at HRC. He fulfills his duties within his department, but he doesn't stop there. He's always a call away if you need his help."





HAPPY RETIREMENT

Tracy Harris is an Administrative Assistant in the Support Coordination Department. She has worked at HRC for 28 years, and will retire at the end of August. Thank you, Tracy, for your many years of dedicated service!

What is your fondest HRC memory?

"I don't have a fondest memory. All my memories here are great. I enjoy my job."

What is your advice for someone beginning a career in State service? "To stay with it and work hard."

What are your retirement plans?

"I have seven grandchildren. So, I'll be spending time with them and my husband."

What will you miss most about HRC?

"Talking to families on the phone."



Tracy Harris

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NOTE FROM PUBLIC RELATIONS

As most of you know, I'll begin my maternity leave at the end of August. If you have any <u>campus events that need to be photographed</u>, contact Antwone Perkins at ext. 6075. Pictures of <u>group home events</u> can be emailed to Antwone Perkins. <u>Volunteering/Internship inquiries</u> can be directed to Danelle Jones, ext. 6010. <u>Friends of Hudspeth Center inquiries</u> can be directed to Jamesia Gilbert, ext. 6126.

I'd like to thank HRC for their support during my pregnancy. I look forward to resuming my duties, however, I'm in no hurry to do so. I'm going to enjoy this time with our new baby girl.

Sincerely,

Timila Bell

Public Relations Director



Timila Bell

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The Director's Note

Congratulations to Tracy Harris on her retirement! 28 years is quite a feat, and you will certainly be missed at HRC. Using the American Rescue Plan Act funds, the A/C units on every cottage and the Administration building will be upgraded. Since Rosewood Cottage was renovated, its A/C unit will not be upgraded. This project will tentatively begin in September with Holly house being the first cottage.

There is a steady rise in COVID + cases. As I mention every month, please continue to practice the protocols that are in place. Continue washing your hands and sanitizing your spaces as frequently as possible. Do not hesitate to get tested if you begin experiencing symptoms.

Sincerely,

Jerrie T. Barnes

Janie T. Barne

Facility Director



For any submission requests or feedback, contact Timila Bell, Public Relations, at (601) 664-6017 or timila.bell@hrc.state.ms.us

Important Dates in September

2nd: Labor Day 3-6th: Orientation 8th: Grandparents Day

10th: MANDT recertification

11th: Patriots Day 20th: CPR Training 22nd: First Day of Fall

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