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Upcoming Events

Saturday, Sept. 24
Note earlier date!
10:30 am - 3 pm

Bancroft Day
Location: Challenge Grove Park, Cherry Hill, NJ
Rain date: Sept. 25
Noon - 4 pm
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Friday, Oct. 7
9 am



Staff members and adults supported by Bancroft Brain Injury services recently volunteered at Project REcycle.

The Bancroft group took price tags off helmets and scrubbed down bicycles.

"We got to volunteer with local teenagers, so it was a nice social opportunity, too." notes Bancroft staff member Hollee Stamper. "Everyone helped one another and worked as a team to clean as many bikes as possible."

Says Project REcycle organizer Steven Burch, director of the Volunteer Center of Camden County: "We got a tremendous amount of work done and could not have done it without [the] crew from Bancroft."

Thanks to all who helped out, including volunteers Carolyn B., Jade B., Joseph O., Gary S., Robert T., Nora T., and Liz T., as well as staff members Okay Hubbard and Stephen Tayber.

The group also plans to participate in the next Project REcycle day, scheduled for this month.

Adults with brain injuries prepare bikes for youth in need

Seven people supported by Bancroft Brain Injury Services recently "gave back" to the local community, by volunteering at "Project REcycle."

The Camden County, N.J., initiative refurbishes used bikes and provides them, with helmets, to Camden County youth in need.

**Clarence York
Lecture****Contact:**

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6:30-11:30 pm

Butterfly Ball**Location:**

The Merion

Cinnaminson, NJ

For further**information:**ButterflyBall@bnh.org

Gregory Hanley, Ph.D., is the featured speaker at Bancroft's Clarence York Lecture in October.

National expert to address prevention of behavior problems at fall lecture

Gregory Hanley, Ph.D., a prominent authority on behavior problems, will give the main address at Bancroft's next Clarence York Lecture, **Friday Oct. 7, starting at 9 am.**

Dr. Hanley's presentation will include three comprehensive strategies aimed at preventing severe behavior problems:

- promoting healthy sleep
- minimizing non-functional, repetitive behavior (such as spinning or hand-flapping) and strengthening leisure skills
- teaching social skills that replace problem behaviors

Director of the behavior analysis doctoral program and an associate professor at Western New England College, Dr. Hanley has 20 years of experience in improving socially important behaviors of children and adults with and without disabilities. He has published more than 60 related articles in peer-reviewed journals, and is an editor of three behavior-analysis journals.

Watch for further details, including registration information in the next few weeks.



Bancroft Day to feature "street fair" theme

This year's Bancroft Day celebration will center on a street-fair theme and feature music and performing arts, games, arts and crafts, a barbecue lunch, refreshments and more.

Scheduled for **Saturday Sept. 24 from 11 am to 3 pm***, the event will again be held at Challenge Grove Park in Cherry Hill, N.J.

As always, admission is free. The barbecue lunch costs \$6, and other refreshments are also available for purchase.

If you are interested in volunteering or have questions about the event, please call Deb Conner at (856) 524-7023 or email dconner@bnh.org.

*Rain date: Sunday, September 25 from 12 to 4 pm

For a flyer on the event, [click here](#).

For a volunteer registration form, [click here](#).

For a vendor registration form, [click here](#).

Praise for our Mullica Hill staff

Employees arrange countless activities, enrichment opportunities

JoAnne Tozzi Wydra, Director of Vocational Services for the Mullica Hill Program, recently provided an array of news from the Mullica Hill Campus.

"As you know, we are going through a massive construction project that has altered the rhythm of the campus," writes Ms. Tozzi Wydra. "Through the machinery, dust and heat, there are wonderful things happening -- all being developed and carried through by Mullica Hill staff."

She goes on to recognize the following staff members, among the many Bancroft employees who contribute each day to the quality of life of the people we support:

- **Wardell Whittaker** for expanding opportunities for the people we support to "give back" to the community, by increasing their weekly participation in Meals on Wheels, and their volunteer work at the Salem and Gloucester County animal shelters and Elmer Hospital.
- **Wendy Riggs** for organizing weekly outings to participate in the events sponsored by the local library and for the campus-wide trip to the New Jersey State Aquarium.
- **Sharmen Bonner** for organizing campus trips to the Philadelphia Zoo.
- **Lenita Williams** and **Cherelle James** for their participation in the Camden County- sponsored "Cooper River Park Cleanup," and for their organization of a campus-wide barbecue.
- **Donna Hartmann** and **Shelia Stewart** for initiating and organizing the August Summer Social at Camp Crocket.
- **Samantha Kille** for facilitating a connection to the Camden Riversharks, enabling the people we support to go to baseball games for a reduced price.
- **Faith Foreman** and her craft shop staff for their "mural project" featuring paintings by staff member **Caleb Wilder**.
- **Gloria Johnson** and her coworkers, **Ellis Minatee** and **Clarissa Hope**, for their initiation of a 70th birthday party for one of the men in her unit.
- **Vicky Cerrone**, **Ester Bell**, **Tammy Easterwood** and **Paula Griesel** for their initiation of the Rec Committee, which plans birthday and holiday parties for everyone.

"Our staff is the heart of Mullica Hill," concludes Ms. Tozzi Wydra. "We appreciate all of them and all that they do."

DD Council to host event at Six Flags Great Adventure

The New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities'(NJCDD) will host its Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day at Six Flags - Great Adventure on **Sept. 3**.

For more information, including how to purchase discounted tickets, please [click here](#). (The discount is available to anyone who purchases tickets in advance via the web or by phone.)

Government offers free passes to 2,000 recreation sites

The U.S. Geological Survey offers a free, lifetime "Access Pass" to citizens with a permanent disability. The pass offers free access to more than 2,000 recreation sites - including national parks and historic areas - managed by five federal agencies.

At many sites, the Access Pass also provides discounts on such amenities as camping, swimming, boat launching and guided tours.

For details, [click here](#).