



IHOC Monthly News

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In my last month's message I optimistically announced that IHOC was going to be able to have a Hospitality Network from February to May 2022. However, after our December newsletter "went to press" Sonya received new information which made it clear that we would need to be prepared to quarantine our participants if one or more of them tested positive for Covid or were exposed to someone who had. We also realized that we would need to be able to care for clients who became sick.

In light of these facts and news of a new, faster spreading Covid variant, we convened a Network Committee meeting to reconsider our plans for the Network. At that meeting we all agreed that having the Network no longer made sense because we did not have the ability to safeguard our clients and volunteers if someone in the program tested positive for or became sick from Covid. This decision was approved by the IHOC Board of Directors at its December 14th meeting.

Although we will not be able to have a Network beginning in February, IHOC is committed to spending 2022 finding ways to expand our mentoring program and to improve our Hospitality Network. We are also committed to finding a property that we can turn into a new transitional house.

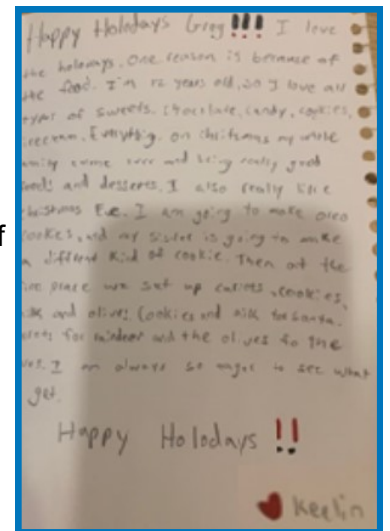
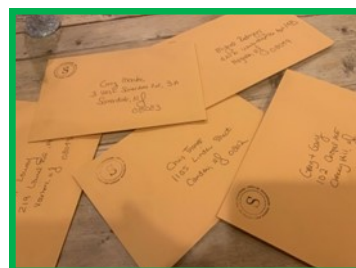
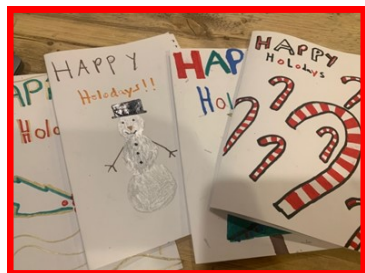
Thank you for understanding. Please keep us in your prayers



Some of our "graduates" are very isolated because they do not have a family or friends, so a card from one of us can really make their day. Pick an occasion, Christmas, Easter, Valentine's Day, or the Fourth of July to send a card. Or you can just send a "thinking of you" card for no particular occasion. If

you are interested Sonya can give you an address or addresses. She can also provide the graduates' birthday.

As you can see one young lady is doing just that. Her name is Keelin and she is Ruth Morgenroth's granddaughter.





MALL WALK 2022



The plans for Mall Walk 2022 keep rolling along. Here are some of the highlights to date:



- The Mall Walk 2022 will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2022 from 12:00 Noon until 4:00 PM at the Voorhees Town Center.
- The Mall Walk has collected over \$11,600, which is about \$2,000 more than last year. Last year, the Mall Walk raised \$43, 500. We were short of our goal of \$50,000. But, this year we are hoping to reach our goal.
- The Mall Walk 2022 tab on our IHOC website is now operational. It's real-ly easy. Just go to the IHOC website which is www.ihocsj.org find click the tab Mall Walk 2022 and get the latest information about the Mall Walk.
- Plus, go to the Mall Walk 2022 and click the drop down menu to register as a Walker, a Sponsor of a Walker, or a Benefactor.
- All Walkers must register online.
- There will be a Hoagie/ Walk Mailing Party on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 5:30 PM. The location to be determined. At the mailing party, we will have new Mall Walk 2022 T-shirts, posters, magnets, and Walk Sponsor forms. Watch for a notice of the location for the Mailing Party.

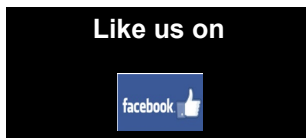
Have a wonderful New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the Mall Walk.



Remember Spanky?



Hi everyone, Remember Spanky? A beloved IHOC grad from years ago. If you have any handy man type work, give him a call at 609 941 8710. Speaking strictly for myself, he is a good man. While he was in the program, he was very kind to my niece Katie and she got a real kick out of him. He always asks how she is doing whenever I see him. If you have something that needs doing, give him a call. Thank you. Tom



QUOTE:
"THE ART OF BEING WISE IS THE ART OF KNOWING WHAT TO OVERLOOK"