

HOOSIER UPLANDS

EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



Mission Statement

The mission of Hoosier Uplands, is to plan, implement or cause to be implemented, and provide comprehensive services to the poor, elderly, and disabled. The corporation strives to alleviate poverty, improve living conditions, and provide access to health care and social services to those families and individuals in need within our service area. All endeavors are pursued with the client in mind, never forgetting the value of every human being or the importance of our responsibility to the public which we serve.



SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

Help give a child in our community a great Christmas this year!

HOW IT WORKS:

- Pick an Angel- You can get them from Emily Webb (office 420 or email ewebb@hoosieruplands.org)
- Each angel needs 2 outfits and 2 toy items
(Salvation Army ensures every child gets at least 2 new outfits and 2 new toys)
- Please turn in all unwrapped gifts to Emily Webb by December 2nd!
- Angels will be available for pick up October 29th!

If you want to donate towards purchasing items to go to the Angel Tree you can give the money to Emily Webb or Venmo:
@Emily-Webb-63



You can shop for an angel (or their family) individually, as group, or department! Split it up for which way works best for you!
Any questions, please email Emily Webb: ewebb@hoosieruplands.org

Hoosier Uplands employee, Hailey England (Ritchison) married Nolan England on Friday, October 4th as well as buying their first house together! October was a big month for these two!



Mr & Mrs



“We've got spirit, yes we do!

We've got spirit, how 'bout you?”

We revived the “Spirit Stick” award.

**This award is for those who: Have a Positive Attitude!
To Which We Express Our Gratitude! Have a Bring a
Smile to Your Face! Make Hoosier Uplands Home
Health Care & Hospice a Better Place!**

**Sticks have been passed on to Lori Williams and
Dana Jones; who exemplify that special spirit that
makes Hoosier Uplands Home Health Care & Hospice
a better place!**



Hospice Team:

Seated: Dr. George Sorrells, Hospice Medical Director

Standing: Lee Grimes, Hospice Intake/Volunteer

Coordinator and Hospice Medical Records Manager, Becky

Haagsma, LSW, Bereavement Coordinator, Keri Southern,

Hospice RN and Amanda Bernet, RN, Home Health/Hospice

Liaison and Hospice Patient Care Coordinator



Hoosier Uplands Home Health Care & Hospice Office Staff:

Seated: Vanessa Lumley, Plan of Care Review LPN, Mary Crowder, RN, Clinical Services Supervisor, Melissa Jeremiah, RN, Director of Operations, Mandi Dersch, RN, Assistant Director and Cheryl Boone, Hospice Billing/Accounts Receivable Manager Standing: Lee Grimes, Hospice Intake/Volunteer Coordinator and Medical Records Manager, Stephanie Karr, Clinical Records Manager, JoDeana McNabb, Director of Accounting Services, Lori Williams, Intake Coordinator, Janine Martin, Office Manager and Amanda Bernet, RN, Home Health/Hospice Liaison/Hospice Patient Care Coordinator



HHS Reopens COVID Test Website

October 9, 2024

The Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR), an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with the U.S. Postal Service has reopened COVIDtests.gov so that households across the country can order four additional over-the-counter COVID-19 tests for free. These tests are intended for use throughout the 2024 holiday season to detect currently circulating COVID-19 variants. Clear instructions are included on how to verify extended expiration dates.

These efforts complement ASPR's ongoing distribution of free COVID-19 tests to long-term care facilities, low-income senior housing, uninsured individuals, and underserved communities. Through this community organization distribution program and the home-ordering program, ASPR has provided a combined total of more than 1.9 billion COVID-19 over-the-counter tests.

As the fall and holiday seasons will create increased close proximity gatherings of people, the Administration remains committed to helping Americans access tests to help so that, if they develop a respiratory illness, they can learn whether it is due to COVID-19 and then make the best choices about seeking medical care and reducing risks to family, friends, and co-workers. To order four free, over-the-counter COVID-19 tests, visit COVIDtests.gov.

Thank You!

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to David Miller and Eric Zink from Hoosier Uplands for their generous donation of \$11,500 for new police radios. Your support plays a vital role in enhancing our community's safety and communication.

With these new radios, our police department will be better equipped to respond to emergencies and serve our residents effectively. We truly appreciate your commitment to making our community a safer place.

Thank you for being incredible partners in our mission!

-The Salem Police Department



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Recent Recipient: Stephanie Karr



Give our professionals a call at 812-849-4447 or 800-827-2219

Home Health Care & Hospice Fax 812-849-3068

“Not All Home Health Care & Hospice Agencies Are Created Equal!”

Based on the 3rd Quarter Home Health Testimonials of our Patients and Families:

“All around care good and professional.”

“HHA’s were excellent.”

“HHA helped me with my showers. She was very kind and helpful. She has a great personality. I thank her. All other staff were great too.”

“The ones I had was good. I had them come for breathing problems and because I was in the hospital.”

“Home Health Care does a good job.”

“I did not have a nurse; just PT and aide. I am an RN and I know my meds. My caregivers were great!”

“Done good job.”

“I would like to thank everyone from the girls in the office who answered the phone to every nurse that came to my home to give me care. They all went over and beyond.”

“PT and Nurse helped me make progress with my health under their tutoring.”

“All nurses were helpful and kind. I thank all of you in my time of need. When the nurse leaves my home I always have a smile on my face.”

Based on the 3rd Quarter Hospice Testimonials of our Patients and Families:

“RN was the greatest. She made my husband relax. She answered any question he asked truthfully and to his satisfaction. She made everything much easier on me too. I would have her again if I was in the same situation.

“The family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to Hoosier Uplands and RN.”

“The care received by Hoosier Uplands Hospice was excellent. I would rate the support and care received as the best by all caregivers. My father received care and my husband. Impressed by Dr. Sorrells personal visit to both.”

“Our care was excellent from the nurses and Dr. Sorrells. Our nurse was outstanding and caring through this difficult time.”

Thank you for trusting us to care for your patients!

Our dedicated staff are ready to serve our neighbors!

HEAD START

Hoosier Uplands Head Start is the #1 program offering preschool for children ages 3-5 and fun learning for the whole family. Preparing children for school since 1965!

FREE

Why Head Start:

- Lots of Love and Fun □
- Trained & Trusted Staff □
- Meals & Snacks provided □
- Limited Transportation available

Hands- on Learning

Safe & Clean Classrooms

Free Family Fun Nights



FREE PRESCHOOL
Call Today!!!



Currently taking applications
for August 2024 classes!

(812)849-4447 (800)827-2219

Serving families in Lawrence, Martin, Orange &
Washington counties



www.hoosieruplands.org



Spring Mill Events to Attend in 2024

EVENTS

Craft Show, Spring Mill State Park

Sat, Nov 2, 2024 9am to 5pm





HOOSIER UPLANDS CAN HELP YOUR CHILD SLEEP SAFE!

WE OFFER PACK N PLAYS AND SAFE SLEEP
TRAINING FOR THOSE IN NEED! CALL US
AT 812-849-4447 AND ASK FOR WHITLEY
CLEMENTS!

*We can help keep
your child safe!*

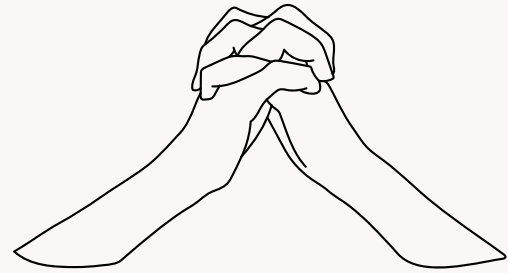
**HOOSIER UPLANDS OFFERS FREE CAR SEATS,
AND FREE CAR SEAT CHECKS FOR THOSE IN
NEED.**

**CALL OUR OFFICE AT 812-849-4447 AND ASK
TO SPEAK WITH WHITLEY CLEMENTS!**

**Car seats offered include convertible, combination,
high back booster and booster seats!**



PRAYERS



- **Prayer request for Kris Mathews, Head Start due to some health issues and testing related to finding a diagnosis.**
- **I would like to ask for a prayer request for my mom, Janie Hert, who is currently battling colon cancer and going through chemotherapy. -Jackee Grewe**
- **I would like to make a prayer request for Amy Hopper. She had a knee replacement surgery yesterday.**