

Cornerstone Quarterly

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It has been a tremendous honor to be Cornerstone's director for the past 12 years. I've had a tremendous opportunity to work with both the best people, our board and staff members and the nicest most generous people in the world, the people who live in and around Quincy. I am grateful to all of you for the experience and the memories.

2003-2016 Executive Director~ John Hirner

Cornerstone Executive Director Retires

Ann Titus

February 29th was John Hirner's last day at Cornerstone. As Executive Director since 2003, John has worked tirelessly to see that this organization continues to provide comprehensive mental health services to those in need.

The list of his achievements is lengthy. Most noteworthy is the fact that with John's leadership, more and more people know about Cornerstone and the quality of care we provide. In addition, John has seen the organization through a difficult transition from an agency funded primarily by state contracts to one that is funded primarily through service fees and the generosity of donors and grantors. He has helped to keep this organization true to its mission.

John has done all these things with integrity, commitment, humility, and as we all know, a keen sense of humor.

We are grateful for all that John has done. We applaud the way in which he has done it. But the greatest gift that John has given is the reason for doing this work: he truly believes in people and the power they have to transform their own lives and their communities.

Thank you John. In all aspects of the phrase,



Executive Director John Hirner

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Cornerstone Welcomes.....



Missy Slee, RN

Registered Nurse, Missy Slee joins Cornerstone assisting Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Reggie Westhoff~

“I am looking forward to this new chapter in my life and the opportunity to work alongside such caring and genuine people. I believe I will learn and grow with the rest of the staff at Cornerstone. I studied psychology at Western Illinois University and received my ADN from John Wood Community College. I worked as a Critical Care Nurse for 4 years before my husband, Nathan, and I had our first child. Our daughter, Lenora, is 8 months old. In my free time I enjoy cooking and baking. I feel honored to join Cornerstone and be able to serve my community.”

Cornerstone is excited to announce the newest addition to our team, Billing Specialist Tina Pray~

“I am excited to be joining the staff of Cornerstone as a billing specialist. I have worked in the fields of insurance billing and accounts receivable and accounts payable for the last 20+ years and I am grateful for this opportunity.

I have been married to my husband, John, for twenty-nine years. We have three children, two of which are grown and married, one here in Quincy and the other is in California. My youngest son, Austin, will be 17 this month and still lives at home. I also have five grandchildren.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my grandchildren and going to the family farm for fishing, 4-wheeler riding and just relaxing.”



Tina Pray

11th Annual Golf Benefit

Spring is quickly approaching as is Cornerstone’s annual Golf Benefit! Mark your calendars for a four-person scramble at Spring Lake Country Club on Friday, May 20th. Registration and lunch begins at 11am with a shotgun start at 12pm.

Registration for a team is \$100 per person which includes lunch, 18 holes, golf cart, beverages and hors d’oeuvres following play. Great hole in one prizes sponsored by Shottenkirk and a chip off contest for a new

iPad is sponsored by Winters Insurance Group! Rain checks will be given for golf in the event of inclement weather.

Call Cornerstone at 222-8254 for information.



We're Seeing Stars at DWLS

This year's performances at Dancing with Local Stars were a knock out! Clearly, the dancers and their coaches had put in many hours of hard work to pull off such great performances. We can't thank them enough for their willingness to share their talents to a packed house! Cornerstone also had the opportunity that night to honor George Meyer with the Humanitarian Award for his tremendous commitment to children in this community throughout his thirty-four year career within the Quincy Public School District. Thank you sponsors and all those who attended for making Dancing with Local Stars such a successful event.



2016 Dancing with Local Stars Ensemble

Overall Winners:

Jenny Dancer & Jim Keller

Winning Team Dance Coach:

Amy Veach

People's Choice Award:

Pilar Yates & Tyler Brumbaugh

Best Costume: Tiffany Rains & Justin Twaddle

Best Chemistry: Katie Pellman & Michael Polarchy

Biggest Ego: Joi Cuartero Austin & Bret Austin

Kickin' It Up (Most Spirited): Jenny Dancer & Jim Keller

Rock Stars: Leanne Homan & Rusty Williams

Best Lyrical/Jazz Dance: Danielle Hiland & Jason Finney

Best Ballroom/Swing Dance: Alisha Smith & Phillip Smith

Best Country/International Dance: Shelley Ali & Sayeed Ali

Best Disco/Freestyle Dance: Amelia Hobbs & Chris Hultz

Thank you Dancers, Coaches, Sponsors and Attendees!

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