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A Holiday Celebration



KANDU clients and staff celebrated the holiday season with food and fun on Wednesday, December 23rd. Staff and volunteers served lunch to clients at both Adel Street and Barberr Drive locations. Best Events prepared the delicious holiday feast, fit for Mr. Claus himself.

Speaking of Santa... He happened to find time in his busy schedule to drop by for a visit! Along with loads of holiday cheer, each client received a 2015 KANDU yearbook as a Christmas gift. A very special thank you to Tom and Pat Hall, who's generosity made the printing of these much appreciated yearbooks possible.

KANDU and Best Events would like to extend the warmest of season's greetings to everyone who supports our mission. Whether you are a donor, sponsor, volunteer or customer, your contributions have a profound impact on our community. We hope your holidays were merry and bright and your new year is filled with good health and happiness.

CommuniTree Results Are In!



The winners of Pontiac Convention Center's Christmas CommuniTree Competition & Show have been chosen! Local businesses, organizations and groups set up and decorated trees to promote their mission and creativity to the public. The trees were available for public viewing December 5th through the 20th and visitors were asked to vote for their favorites. Congratulations to the "People's Choice" cash prize winner, Golden K Kiwanis (pictured left)! Catholic Charities (center) earned the "Most Creative" title and Spirit Equine Rescue (right) won "Best Theme". Thank you to all who participated in this fun event!

Grapes & Hops 2016



Preparations are well underway for KANDU's popular celebration of wine and beer, Grapes & Hops. Slated for Friday, February 12th, this annual tasting event features local celebrity pourers, delectable food pairings and an exciting new location at The Armory. Guests will have the opportunity to learn proper tasting techniques from professionals Alice Blue and Mark Miller of Badger Spirits, while soloist Duane Worden returns to provide the perfect ambiance with his remarkable vocals and acoustic stylings of adult contemporary hits. Extravagant live and silent auction items will also be available throughout the evening. Tickets are available online or by calling (608) 755-4123. They can also be purchased at Badger Spirits or from any of our wonderful Celebrity Pourers. Click here to view the up-to-date list of Pourers, along with a complete list of 40 foreign and domestic wines and beers available for sampling during the event.

WOW Open House at Best Events



Saturday, January 30th, the Best Events Showroom and Design Center will wow the general public with their free annual Open House. Whether you are planning the perfect corporate party, graduation celebration, prom, holiday event or wedding: we have everything you need! From 10am to 2pm, guests will receive a behind-the-scenes look at all that Best Events has to offer, including food, table designs, linens, décor and so much more. Award-winning chefs will prepare delicious food samples on-site and expert Event Planners will be available to answer questions and offer insights into planning the perfect event. Guests will have the opportunity to tour the extensive props warehouse, as well as preview new products for the 2016 season. Lucky participants will be eligible to win a \$500 custom wedding décor package and a \$500 custom hors d'oeuvres party. Additional prizes will be drawn every 30 minutes. Special promotions will also be available for new bookings at any of our 3 venues. For more information and to stay up-to-date on WOW Open House, click here to follow the event on Facebook.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR VOLUNTEER OF THE
MONTH**



Thank you for your Workenders program!

Upcoming Events

WOW Open House

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30
10AM-2PM
BEST EVENTS SHOWROOM
2030 CENTER AVE
JANESVILLE, WI

A free, behind-the-scenes look at all Best Events has to offer! Sample foods, preview décor trends and consult with our expert event planners. Several prize drawings available.

Grapes & Hops

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12
6-10PM
THE ARMORY
10 S HIGH ST
JANESVILLE, WI

Featuring 40 varieties of wines and beers to sample, local Celebrity Pourers, delicious food pairings, music by Duane Worden and extravagant auction items.

Spring Evening Bridal Show

THURSDAY, MARCH 10
6-9PM
PONTIAC CONVENTION CENTER
2809 N PONTIAC DR
JANESVILLE, WI

Free wine, beer and appetizers! See beautiful gowns, tuxedos, vacation destinations, flowers, photos and much more!

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