

KANDU Connection



July 2, 2018



Party at The Pitts

For the 9th consecutive year, KANDU presented Party at The Pitts, a renowned annual fundraising event at Diane Hendricks' beautiful estate. During the day, guests participated in various outdoor activities including fishing, archery, clay shooting and golf. Participants who demonstrated top skills in each sport were announced and awarded prizes that evening after dinner.

During the evening portion of this daylong event, guests enjoyed mouth-watering menu creations from local chefs competing for the honorary title of Kerry's King of the Grill. A panel of four expert judges from Kerry chose their top three favorite dishes. Congratulations to Chef Gustavo Herrera from The Beloit Club (pictured below, left), whose delicious lamb lollipop with lima bean puree, pickled ramps and avocado salsa earned him the first place award. Chef Jen Wiedel from Blackhawk Technical College won second place with her grilled lobster crostini with blood orange mascarpone, pickled beets, fennel and onion, and Chef James Pfaff from Three F's Chefs placed third with his grilled veggie flatbread pizza. In addition, guests of the event voted for their favorites to receive the People's Choice Award. Sous Chef Valentin Hernandez of Merrill & Houston's Steak House (below, top right) took home this title with his grilled salmon with honey ginger BBQ on lemon jasmine rice topped with sesame seaweed slaw.



An extravagant live auction followed dinner, along with a performance by local favorite, the Penny Mae Dixon Band. The event concluded with a beautiful fireworks display.

All of us at KANDU would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Diane, our many sponsors, donors, vendors, volunteers and guests. Without your contributions, this invaluable event would not be possible.



Lt. Governor Kleefisch Tours KANDU

On Wednesday, June 20th, Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch visited KANDU to discuss the A-Team's "My Work. My Choice," movement. She toured the Adel Street location to see and hear why this topic is so important to KANDU and individuals with developmental disabilities. She had the opportunity to talk first hand with clients who shared their stories of why choice in workplace and service providers is so vital.

Following the tour, Barb LeDuc, Director of Opportunities, Inc., presented Lt. Gov. Kleefisch with an award from the Direct Service Provider Network. Kleefisch spoke about why Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness are imperative to all Americans, stating that work is a big part of a person's life and happiness. She also emphasized that working is a human right that should not be restricted by the government, but instead protected and sustained.

We want to thank Lt. Governor Kleefisch for taking time to tour KANDU and learn more about "My Work. My Choice."



MYWORK. MYCHOICE. MYHOME. MYCHOICE. MYLIFE. MYCHOICE.



An Important Bill Needs More Support!

On Monday, June 11th, members of A-Team Wisconsin traveled to Washington D.C. to advocate for support of bill #5658 authored by Congressman Grothman, serving in Wisconsin's 6th District. 13 client workers from KANDU wrote letters to Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner, Senator Tammy Baldwin and Senator Ron Johnson asking them to co-sponsor bill #5658, titled "Workplace Choice and Flexibility for Individuals with Disabilities Act." These letters, along with others from across Wisconsin, were hand delivered by the A-Team. The bill currently has 6 co-sponsors, but none of them are from Wisconsin. You can help us gain more support and co-sponsors by visiting www.accses.org and clicking the link: Tell Congress to Pass the Workplace Choice and Flexibility for Individuals with Disabilities Act (H.R. 5658).



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this event a
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ADDITIONAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Take Me Out to the Ballgame Appreciation Event

Friday, July 20th

***Invitation only**

KANDU staff, board members, donors, customers and guests are invited for a tailgating party, Beloit Snappers baseball game and fireworks!

Boardtracker Bike Night for KANDU

Tuesday, August 14th

Bring your bike, hotrod or just yourself to enjoy live music, food and drinks while supporting KANDU!

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