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St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprises, Inc.

Spring, 2011

SAVE TAKES

A BRANSON VACATION!

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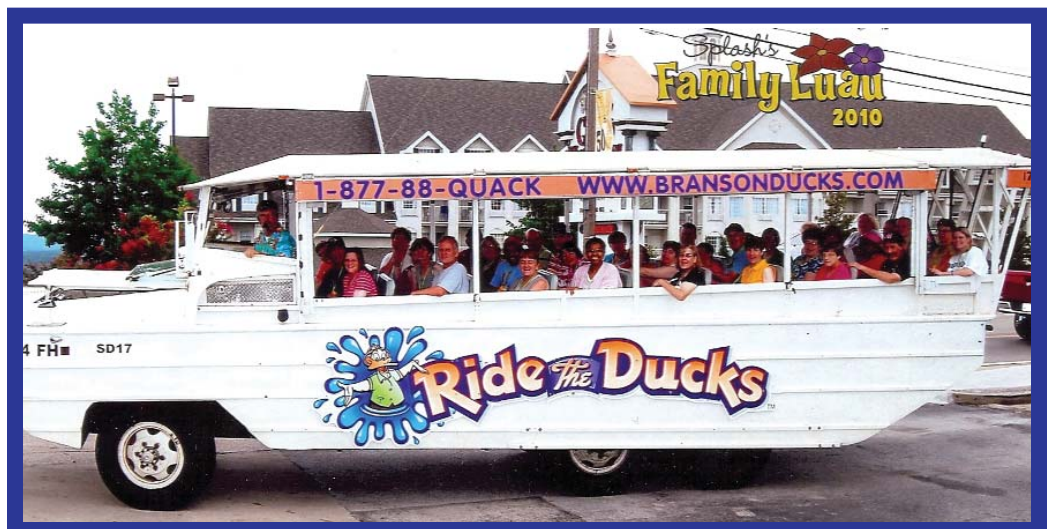
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by Carol Schwan

Again this year SAVE had a great trip to Branson. There were 29 clients and 6 staff, and we had a ball. The trip started with a dinner cruise Friday on the Branson Belle. Not only were the food and the show great, but the view of the sunset on the lake was breathtaking. Saturday morning after breakfast it was off to ride the DUCKS - our very favorite thing to do. We laughed and "quacked" the whole time. Then lunch and shopping before the afternoon show, "Cats Pajamas." It was a musical review and afterwards, all the performers posed for pictures and visited with us. After dinner at the Golden Corral, we saw the "Top Ten Rock and Roll Review." Loved the music!

The people and workers in Branson are great. Again thanks to my special volunteers, Rita, Mandy, Angie, Amber and Sue, who gave up their time (and money) to make sure the consumers had a wonderful week-end vacation. See ya' next year!





**THE
DATES!**

Celebrate SAVE Open House

Thursday, March 24, 2011 · 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

SAVE North Illinois St. Facility · 620 N. Illinois, Belleville

Learn about SAVE's programs, meet some of the men and women who live and work at SAVE, tour the North facility, see the Consumer Art Exhibit, enjoy refreshments and network with friends and business associates.

Sponsored by Midland States Bank

Thanks to Empire Comfort Systems and Roy-el Catering

RSVP 618-234-1992, ext. 31

Cash Bar



ALL ABOARD!

**The ROHO/SAVE
Trivia Trolley!
April 30, 2011**

Sponsored by



Katy Cavins Community Center, O'Fallon, Illinois

Conductor: ROGER SCHLUETER

Belleville News-Democrat's "THE ANSWER MAN"

\$15.00/Person (2 Free Drinks) ~ Teams of 6-10 People ~ Bring your own snacks

Cash Bar (No Outside Drinks, Please) ~ Cash Prizes ~ Silent Auction ~ 50/50 Raffle

Registration at 6:30 p.m · Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m.

Proceeds benefit the programs & mission of SAVE and the men & women we serve!

Call 618-234-1992, Ext. 25 To Reserve **YOUR Table**



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Executive Director's Corner

Dear Friends of SAVE,

This is an exciting time for all of us at SAVE as we announce the opening of a new program to meet a growing need in the Belleville-St. Clair County area: **SAVE Adult Day Services.**

Designed to extend the SAVE caring spirit to older women and men, the Day Services enterprise is not just a place to go, but a comprehensive program that engages participants in activities that respond to the personal and community challenges they face.

This new venture is housed at the North Illinois site. The space has been recently renovated and furnished to provide a warm, comfortable, homelike atmosphere. The program operates Monday thru Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. In addition to a wide variety of activities, delicious nutritious meals are available daily, educational programs are offered, and a licensed nurse is available to address any health issues.

Recent studies have documented the value of this effort noting that over 10 million Americans need help with tasks like eating, dressing, bathing and personal care daily. Each year up to 5 million seniors are victims of elder abuse. Day care service participants have higher levels of health, social interaction and life satisfaction; and older adults participating in day programs experience improvements in their physical, social, spiritual, emotional, mental and economic well-being.

This is a new way for SAVE to make a positive impact on the quality of life for everyone in our service area. Current statistics show that 35% of adult day care recipients live with an adult child, 20% with a spouse, 18% in an institutional setting, 13% with parents or other relatives, and 11% live alone. Furthermore, 52% of adult day services participants have some cognitive impairment. While these figures demonstrate the need for adult day care centers, they also illustrate the ways in which every family structure can benefit from these services.

I invite you to call Emily Morrison, the Director of the SAVE Adult Day Services program (618/234-8037), to make arrangements for a tour to experience firsthand this new undertaking. Also, please share this new endeavor with your friends and family. If you know of someone who could benefit from our Adult Day Services, encourage them to contact Emily and make arrangements to spend a free day. Financial assistance may be available through the State of Illinois Department on Aging.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of SAVE as we look for ways to make this a better world!

Randolph B. Law, Executive Director

SAVE Programs & Services

JOBtrack offers employees who WANT to work onsite job coaches to help train and monitor their progress.

Developmental Training and Vocational Development programs provided consumers with 100,000 hours of employment last year.

Residential Services offers 30+ individuals supervised, independent living in a home and neighborhood environment.

For information on SAVE's programs and services, visit us online at www.saveorg.org or call 214-234-1992. For contract services, contact Jim Schnipper at 618-234-1992.

Lee Hopp SAVE Foundation

Why Give to SAVE?

by James Freeman, Development Director

There are numerous reasons to provide financial support to St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprise, Inc.:

- Your gift could provide an income tax deduction.
- You will have a good feeling as you help those who need assistance.
 - The community will be a better place for all people.
 - The economy will be stronger because of the work accomplished by the consumers.
- The men and women served will have fuller and more meaningful lives.
- You are thankful for the gifts/blessings you and your family have received.
 - You want to help others.
 - and the list goes on and on...

What it boils down to is this:

You believe in the programs, work and mission of SAVE as it enables men and women with disabilities to realize their potential, achieve their hopes and dreams, and contribute to the good of the community.

You give because you Care and that caring Makes a Difference!

Oftentimes people think that because SAVE receives some funding through the State of Illinois and other governmental agencies, gifts from individuals and companies are not necessary or needed. This is not the case.

In order to achieve its goal of enabling consumers to attain their full potential and participate fully in the life of the community, the help of concerned individuals, organizations and companies is vital.

An Investment in the Future

Your gifts to St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprises (SAVE) are, in reality, an investment in the future, an investment in the lives of the women and men we serve. Your gifts say to Kevin, Mary, Eric, Michelle, Lois, Chris, and the 200 plus other members of the SAVE family, "I CARE and I want to help!"

Thank you!

Easy Ways to Help!



Are You Using Your Schnucks Escrip Card?

It's the easiest way to help SAVE.

Swipe your card before checking out, and Schnucks will donate 2% - 3% of your purchase to SAVE!

Doesn't cost you an extra dime, and SAVE benefits!

Call SAVE 618-234-1992, ext 25 for your card.

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at www.saveorg.org to make a donation to SAVE online! Use PayPal or your credit card to help SAVE. Easy, secure & fast!

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100% of the Proceeds go to SAVE

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2785 South Belt
Safe Lock #1, Lebanon Ave & Hartman Ln.
North Belt W. Liquor Store, 3620 N. Belt W.

Collinsville

Rural King, 9525 Collinsville Rd

Freeburg

Dollar General #5, 1231 N. State
Buck's, 108 S. State

Lebanon

Dollar General, 707 S. Madison

Mascoutah

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Mascoutah Plaza
American Legion, Rt. 177 West

New Baden

Cozy Corner, Rt. 161 & 160

O'Fallon

Mississippi River Cons., Rt. 50 & Scott-Troy Rd.
Lakepointe Center, Rt. 50 East
Casey's, Hartman Lane

Swansea

Belleville Beauty Supply, N. Illinois



**cafepress.com/SaveWorks
Shop for SAVE logo items!**

\$1-\$6 of each purchase is sent to SAVE!

Thank you!

ADVOCATES FOR SAVE

Thank you to the following members of the ADVOCATES FOR SAVE program. Advocates provide regular financial support of at least \$25 a month (\$300 per year).

John & Kim Anderson
 Robert & Marcia Atchison
 Frank & Marti Booker
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If you would like information about this effort to provide a firm foundation for SAVE's programs, please contact James Freeman, Director of Development at 234-1992 ext. 25.

Donations to SAVE and the Lee Hopp SAVE Foundation for September 1, 2010 - January 31, 2011

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Our Condolences

SAVE lost a valued friend when Jack Butler passed away November 8, 2010. Jack was SAVE's Executive Director for more than 20 years.

The SAVE Board, Foundation Board, staff and consumers extend our condolences to Jack's wife, Blanche, and his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families who have lost loved ones and designate SAVE as the recipient of their memorials. For information on how you can contribute to SAVE and the Lee Hopp SAVE Foundation, including gifts, life insurance, bequests in a will or trust, and through other tax planning methods, call 618-234-1992, ext. 25.

Thank you!

Donations to SAVE and the Lee Hopp SAVE Foundation for September 1, 2010 - January 31, 2011

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 Council #4380
 Council #4596
 Council #4741
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 McCommis, Marion & Rose Mae
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 Metcalf, Elizabeth
 Midwestern Propane Gas Co.
 Moehle, Daniel & Janet
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 Morfick, Ron & Sharon
 Mount Zion Baptist Church
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 Napier, Eugene & Jeanette
 Needles, Carol J
 Nolen, Harvey
 Pfeil, Kay
 Poe, Janet
 Poettker, Linus & Barb
 Reeves, Flora J.
 Rehling, Blanche
 Reno, Richard
 Riemer, John & Carol
 Rogers, Franklin
 Rudolph, Chris & Deanna
 Ryan, Richard
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 Smith, Milton and Judy
 Spies, Pearl
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 Council #13197

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 Stephens, James & Theresa
 Stevenson, Helen
 Sudol, Lucille J
 Surmeier, Harry & Dorothy
 Twigg, Edward & Mary
 Twigg, Larry & Ana
 Vernier, Robert & Janice
 Vick, Dr. Larry & Joan
 Wagner, Jack
 Waller, Dolores Anne
 Walter, Marlene
 Watkins, Thomas
 Watters, Allen & Bonnie
 Weber, Robert
 Weber, Virginia
 Weidler, David J.
 Wombacher, Donald & Janice
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 Chapter #0053

Our Hearts are Full!

The majority of the monetary donations listed on this page are from SAVE's annual **Christmas Campaign**. Even in the current economy, we received a great response!

SAVE is very fortunate to have many organizations, individuals and businesses who give generously to help us accomplish our mission to serve men & women with developmental disabilities.

Thank you... **Empire Comfort Systems** for providing a really wonderful **Thanksgiving dinner** for the men and women at SAVE. You helped make our holidays very special!

Thank you... **Youth Group from the Church of Latter Day Saints in O'Fallon** for painting the North Illinois facility. It looks spectacular! Thank you.. to the **City of Belleville** for donating the paint left over from Delilah's "Paint the Town" event.

Foundation Board Member, Hon. Laninya Cason



Laninya Cason has been a member of the SAVE Foundation Board of Directors for nine years. She became interested in SAVE through fellow board member Eric Rhein. Since then, she has become a strong advocate for the organization's mission and programs. When asked why she joined the board, Laninya responded, "Because of a family member's struggles with a disability, I came to appreciate SAVE's efforts to help men and women achieve their potential, find acceptance and support from others, and be part of the community."

I believe it [SAVE] has made a tremendous impact on quality of life for not only the consumers we serve, but all of us. I am honored to be part of this very important effort."

Laninya is a leader in the St. Clair County/Bellefonte area as Associate Circuit Judge for the 20th Judicial Circuit Court - St. Clair County. She serves in the Probate, Child Support and Tax Divisions. A graduate of East St. Louis High School, she received her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Illinois and her Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee. Her accomplishments include being the first African American female partner at the law firm she joined after graduation, and being recognized by *The St. Louis American* as an "Outstanding African American Community Leader Under the age of 40 in 2011" (one of two recognized from Illinois in the class of 20).

We are honored to have Judge Cason as a member of the SAVE team!

Annual Awards Banquet Winners Recognized

In October, SAVE recognized the following people for excellent service at SAVE. We congratulate you all!

DT-North Illinois Consumer of the Year - Velvet Rouse

**Vocational Development Consumer of the Year
Mike LePes**

DT-SAVE Road Consumer of the Year - Allyson Lintz

Residential Consumer of the Year - Mary Strange

**Jobtrack Consumer of the Year
Sara Jordan**

**Jobtrack Employer of the Year
O'Fallon McDonald's**

Northwest Optimist Citizen Award - Cathleen Jones

**Volunteer of the Year
Betty Brauer**

**Staff Longevity Awards
20 years - Leroy Turner**

**Consumer Choice Awards
North Illinois - Sallie Price
Turkey Hill - Leroy Turner
Residential - Rita Gain
and Estelle Vinyard**

**Board Member of the Year
Barbara Hohlt**

**Special "Duck" Awards for the
Volunteers on the Branson trip..
Rita and Mandy Gain, Angie and
Amber Johnson, Sue Hefferty**

Friend of SAVE

Rev. John H. Rouse

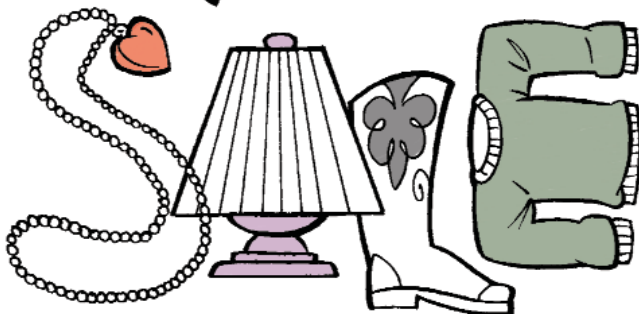
Rev. Rouse was recognized by Congressman Jerry Costello on the occasion of his 51st Anniversary in the Ministry and his 31st Anniversary as pastor of the Mount Zion Baptist Church in East St. Louis.

Costello's speech praising Rev. Rouse noted, "The good work that he has done has extended far beyond the boundaries of his present congregation and will be felt for years to come."

Rev. Rouse's involvement with SAVE certainly bears that out. The speech was read into the Congressional Record April 26, 2006.

Thanks also to Rev. Rouse and the congregation at Mt. Zion who helped pay for the Annual Dinner.

RUMMAGE



Saturday, May 21

8am - 3pm ~ Rain or Shine

SAVE N. Illinois Site

620 N. Illinois, Belleville

SHOP Clothes, furniture, women's shoes, household items, Christmas decorations +++

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5/30/11 Memorial Day
6/10/11 Staff In-Service Day

**Mark Your
Calendar!**

Plan to Attend - see inside!

3/24/11 Celebrate SAVE Open House
4/30/11 ROHO/SAVE Trivia
5/21/11 SAVE Rummage Sale



Grand Opening!

SAVE Adult Day Services Program

620 N. Illinois Street

Monday- Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm

Individualized plans, secure & personalized care
Welcoming men and women 55+
Education · Exercise/Recreation · Community Outings
Social Activities · Personal Care · Music & Art
Health Monitoring · Animal Therapy

**Call for more information & ask about a FREE day
Program Director, Emily Morrison**

618-234-8037 or emorrison@saveorg.org

*Financial assistance may be available through the Department on Aging
and the Department of Rehabilitation.*