

A Quarterly Update of the Most Recent Malcolm Eaton Enterprises News

## Summer 2020

### Statement on Covid-19

In response to the spread of Covid-19, Malcolm Eaton Enterprises continues to follow recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Illinois Department of Public Health.

Recently, the Illinois Department of Human Services issued a set of preliminary guidelines for Community Day Service providers on how they may begin to reopen later this fall.

These guidelines will determine how many individuals may receive services on-site, and how those services will be delivered. These numbers will be significantly limited at first to protect the health and safety of the people we serve.

We are excited to begin providing on-site services again, and we ask that the individuals who previously attended MEE and their families continue to exercise patience as we work with the IDPH to reopen in the safest possible manner.

**We are all in this together!**

## News



**In this issue:** Residents in our CILA program enjoy a day of fun at a private pool party!

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### Upcoming Dates

**September 7**  
Labor Day

**September 18**  
Institute Day

**November 26-27**  
Thanksgiving Break

### Our Mission

*Malcolm Eaton Enterprises encourages and assists people with disabilities, and those who touch their lives, by promoting informed choice and creating opportunities which foster independent community living, work and play.*

## Consumer Spotlight



# Fun in the Sun!

The residents of our CILA program found a great way to beat the summer heat with a pair of private pool parties!

The men's and women's homes each held their own parties on separate days. It was a welcome break from recent months when most of the state was shutdown due to Covid-19. As things begin to reopen in our area, we will continue to look for opportunities where our CILA residents can access community resources in a safe and responsible manner.



## Our Motto



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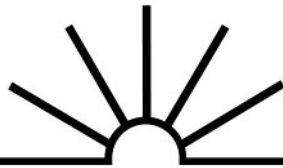
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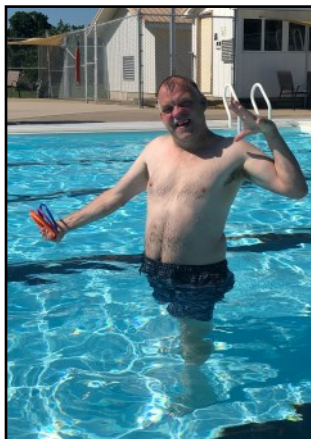
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## News



IMAGINE THE OPPORTUNITIES



## Fundraisers





One of our newly renovated residential CILA homes, pictured here, will be opening in September. A second home will open later this fall.

## Two New CILA Homes to Open

Malcolm Eaton Enterprises will be opening two new residential CILA homes later this year.

CILA, which stands for Community Integrated Living Arrangement, is a type of residential home that provides people with developmental disabilities an opportunity to live in community-based setting while still receiving staff supports.

Both homes will be staffed 24 hours a day. Each home will serve four people.

The homes were purchased earlier this year as part of a planned expansion of our residential program. One of the homes is scheduled to open in September. The second home is being remodeled and will open later this fall.





## Don Morse Golf Invitational Makes Donation to Malcolm Eaton

We want to thank the Don Morse Golf Invitational Committee for their generous donation and continued support.

The Don Morse Golf Invitational Golf Tournament is Malcolm Eaton Enterprises' largest source of fundraising revenue each year. During a typical year, MEE staff volunteer to work at the event serving food and monitoring golf contests. After the event, a lump-sum donation is made to MEE on behalf of the golf tournament.

This year the event was scheduled for July 9, but was cancelled due to Covid-19.

Despite there being no golf tournament, nor any golfers or sponsors, the Don Morse Invitational Committee still chose to make a donation to MEE.

The Don Morse Golf Invitational Committee's decision to make such a donation, in a year where there was no event, was unexpected. We are humbled by their generosity.

On behalf of the staff of MEE, as well as the people we serve and their families - thank you for your unwavering support of people with disabilities in our community.

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## Access Services Donates to MEE

Access Services of Northern Illinois donated a collection of office furniture and equipment to MEE this month. The donated items included desks, chairs, and a large number of computers and monitors.

For over 30 years, Access Services has provided independent service coordination to individuals with developmental disabilities living in Northwest Illinois. Nearly all of the individuals enrolled in services at MEE have worked closely with one of Access Services of Northern Illinois' agents.

This June Access Services made the difficult decision to close its doors due, in large part, to regulatory changes made by the state of Illinois. Many of the services provided by Access Services will be provided in the future by an organization called Service Inc.

We want to thank Access Services for their thoughtful donation, and for their many years of advocacy for individuals with disabilities in our community. Thank you so much for all that you have done!

## Staff Anniversaries

### 30 Years

**Kevin Souders** celebrated his 30-year anniversary with MEE in July. Kevin works as a Vocational Trainer, but because of his extensive experience you can find him filling any number of roles across the agency on any given day. Kevin is an invaluable part of the MEE team, and we are thankful for his many years of service and advocacy.



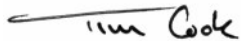
### 5 Years

**Andres Heljula** celebrated his five year Anniversary in July. As a Qualified Intellectual Disabilities Professional (QIDP), Andres plays an important role in developing individual service plans and monitoring progress towards goals.



We want to thank you for your interest in Malcolm Eaton Enterprises.

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