



Winona ORC Connection

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Employee Number Two!

Lynn Meyers was surprised at Winona ORC's annual banquet on February 21st when she was announced as our Employee of the Year.

Lynn is a dedicated employee and is also celebrating 40 years of service this year.

By far, Lynn's favorite job over the years has been working in the laundry department at various hotels. She was very excited when she learned of our plans to construct Winona Laundry. Lynn was a featured spokesperson in our video to promote the laundry. To say she is thrilled to once again be able to work in a laundry department is a huge understatement.



It was 1974 and Lynn was a young woman in her twenties when she walked through the doors and was assigned number two as her employee number.

Since that time, Lynn has worked at a variety of jobs such as packaging, assembly and janitorial services. Just as Winona ORC has grown over the last 40 years, Lynn has grown and learned new skills.



Lynn always has a smile on her face and is a friend to all. When she is not working, Lynn enjoys spending time with her friends and family, attending movies, going on trips and working on her Dalmatian dog collection.

Thank you Lynn for being you and for your contributions to our success!



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15th Annual Golf Tournament - July 21, 2014

Tee off for Winona ORC by participating in the 15th Annual Winona ORC Golf Outing. Winona ORC provides job opportunities to over 300 people with disabilities on a daily basis in Southeast Minnesota.

This is a major fundraiser for Winona ORC and a sound investment for you. The event is scheduled to take place on **Monday, July 21st, 2014 at The Bridges Golf Club in Winona, 12:30 p.m. Shotgun Start.**

We are offering three investment opportunities for sponsors to choose from:

PLATINUM **Major Sponsorship and Golf For Four** - includes green fees, cart rental, dinner tickets, a large sponsor sign, sponsorship sign at tee-box, listing in golf registration form and on the front page of program, recognition during award ceremony and in the Winona ORC Connection, Winona ORC's quarterly newsletter. **Sponsorship Investment: \$1750**

DIAMOND **Golf Package for Four and Sponsorship** - includes green fees, cart rental, dinner tickets, sponsorship sign at tee-box, listing in golf registration form and program, recognition during awards ceremony and in the Winona ORC Connection. **Sponsorship Investment: \$600**

GOLD **Sponsorship** - includes sponsorship sign at tee-box, listing in golf registration form and program, recognition during awards ceremony and in the Winona ORC Connection. **Sponsorship Investment: \$350**

Chance to win

\$10,000

Hole-In-One Contest on #10

Sponsored by Winona Agency

A FREE chance for all
registered participants!



Winona ORC's 15th Annual Golf Outing

Choose your Package and Return by July 10th:

_____ Platinum Sponsorship at \$1750

_____ Diamond Sponsorship at \$600

_____ Gold Sponsorship at \$350

_____ Golf Tickets: \$125/Individual

Team Member Names (Platinum, Diamond or Individual):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Please Mail Form and Payment to:

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City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email to Receive Updates and Reminders: _____

Winona ORC the Recipient of Million Dollar Property Donation



past 30 years and had 63 active staff. All of the residents were relocated and over 90% of the Villa staff found work in the first month after the closing. The Lewiston Villa had a long history of excellence and had received numerous awards for quality and service throughout the years.

Winona ORC Executive Director, Judie Foster-Lupkin stated, "We are

Deloughery Homes Limited Partnership owners of the Lewiston Villa nursing home in Lewiston, Minnesota, donated the property with no stipulations to Winona ORC for basically closing costs. The property has an estimated value of one million dollars.

The two active Ardent Hills partners; Frank Rekuski and Robert Liebig closed the nursing home in September 2013 due to health reasons

The nursing home had served over 4,000 residents over the

honored to be the recipient of the Lewiston Villa property. It represent 25,000 square feet of opportunity. The Villa is a beautiful, well cared for building and we are very grateful and excited to explore the potential of this very generous gift."

While no plans have been formalized for the Villa, the donation will be used in a manner that will maximize Winona ORC's mission of providing employment, vocational training and comprehensive job related skills and services to people with disabilities.

Quarterly Shredding Event

Winona ORC has partnered with Wesley United Methodist Church, providing residents of Winona and the surrounding areas with a shredding event to destroy their sensitive documents. This event, held once every three months, allows individuals to bring in sensitive documents they would like shredded; which will be done at Winona ORC's secured shredding facility.

The latest event, held on March 30th, brought in a total of 2,800 pounds of confidential documents, which was shredded by the clients at Winona ORC.

The next event is scheduled for June 29th from 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. at 114 West Broadway.



Community Recognition Banquet Photos

Winona ORC celebrating 40 years



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Community Recognition Banquet

Winona ORC holds its Community Recognition Banquet on Friday, February 21, 2014 at Visions Event Center. This annual event celebrates and recognizes the contributions that clients, staff and area businesses have made to the success of Winona ORC. The theme this year was, "Dreams that you dare to dream really do come true." The celebration marked the 40th anniversary for Winona ORC and featured guest speaker, Tasha Schuh.

Winona ORC's Employee of the year was awarded to Lynn Meyers.

Winona ORC was honored to recognize the following businesses by the role they played in furthering our mission of providing job opportunities for people with disabilities:

Wincraft, Inc. was awarded Customer of the Year for providing over 190 clients with 20,000 hours of work assembling 1.2 million pieces of spirit items.

Riverside Electronics was awarded Community Employer of the Year. Riverside provides nearly 500 hours of work each month to Winona ORC clients. In addition to providing work, Riverside Electronics also makes a special effort to include Winona ORC workers in their company activities such as holiday functions and employee recognition meals.

The Supported Employment Employer of the Year went to Experience Works. By collaborating with Experience Works, more than 20 clients have found successful employment opportunities within our community.



Supported Employment Employer of the Year, Experience Works



Community Employer of the Year, Riverside Electronics



For more pictures of the Community Recognition Banquet, visit:
www.winonaorc.org

Years of Service awards:



5 Years of Service

Rich Anthony
Edison Beverly
Amanda Dyhkuis
Alexis Dyhkuis
Lou Ann Dykhuis
Todd Frost
Dustin Johnson
Jeffrey Kreinbring
Terry Kubis
Margaret Loewenhagen
Marquitta Pledger
Jann Wolfe

10 Years of Service

Ryan Ehlenfeldt
Karen Etnier
Sean Flaherty
Angela Lehmkuhl
Michael McCollum
Tammy Monahan
Melissa Mueller
Scott Ploetz
John Przytarski
Donald Rahn
Matthew Sauers
Jesse Thill
Travis Todd
Lyle Witt
Jeffrey Wolfe
Mona Young

15 Years of Service

Rachel Besaw
Eric Decker
Kevin Gaulke
Richard Kingsbury
Opal Peters
Doris Rodgers
Kevin Spalding

20 Years of Service

Rodney
Troy Hoff
Christina Kowalski
Mathew Maroushek
Michelle Matchey
Carol Putzier
Mary Ann Rinn
Leslie Swartling

25 Years of Service

Patti Holm
Erik Iverson
Keith McConville
Kathy Wenger

30 Years of Service

Duane Benson
Donna Paine



Jamie Hostettler CSDS Certification



Jamie Hostettler, sales representative for Winona Shredding which is operated by Winona ORC, was awarded her Certified Secure Destruction Specialist (CSDS) certification through the National Association for Information Destruction (NAID). NAID is the information destruction industry leader in promoting standards and ethics.

The CSDS accreditation is awarded to individuals who demonstrate a

high level of understanding and competency on issues pertinent to secure data and product destruction. With this accreditation, Hostettler will be able to develop policy and procedures, manage various data disposal (including paper and electronic disposal), as well as oversee security audits. She will also be available to educate companies on the importance of compliance when it comes to documentation retention and disposal.

Rich Anthony is an STS Trainer



Rich Anthony, Director of Facility Management, has been certified as a Special Transportation Services (STS) instructor.

Rich will now be able to provide Winona ORC bus drivers with the necessary training required by the Minnesota Department of Transportation. All drivers must complete a 16 hour course in:

- Passenger Assistance
- Maltreatment Awareness and
- Defensive Driving

Rich will also conduct the refresher class which is required of all drivers every three years.

Prior to Rich receiving his certification, Winona ORC had to rely on outside training sources for this required certification.

Michael Bellesbach 30 Years



Michael Bellesbach celebrated 30 years at Winona ORC in January!

Back when "Where's the Beef?" was the quote of the year, people were tuning in weekly to watch *Dallas* and everyone was dancing to Kenny Loggins 'Footloose,' Bellesbach began his long career at Winona ORC.

When Bellesbach started, there were 13 staff members and a little more than 80 clients.

Paperwork was done by hand or typewriter and the Winona ORC building as we know it was half its size. The only community work Winona ORC did was a Chore Service, where they did snow shoveling or yard work for the elderly residents of Winona.

"Many things have changed over 30 years, but one thing that hasn't, is how much the clients care about the work they perform! I'm looking forward to seeing Winona ORC continue to grow like we have over the last three years!"

Congratulations Michael!

Client Spotlight

Jenna Heaser



Jenna started at Winona ORC in June of 2006, doing light assembly on the production floor as well as janitorial sites in the community.

In 2013, Winona Laundry opened its doors and Jenna has become a shining star in its daily operations. Jenna started with folding towels and has moved her way up to folding scrubs and gowns as well as folding sheets by operating the

folding machine.

Jenna has found her focus working in Winona Laundry and has made great strides in improving her work skills.

When Jenna is not working at Winona ORC, you can find her going to movies or participating in Project COMPASS activities like bowling and swimming. She is also involved in the groups "Buddies" and "People of Faith."

Great Work Jenna!!

Employee of the Month at Winona ORC recognizes employees for their outstanding work performance. Staff nominate clients and the Workers Council members vote for the winner. Congratulations to the following winners! Your commitment to excellence is appreciated by all at Winona ORC!



January
Michael

Miquel started at Winona ORC in March of 2013. He is a hard worker and has great determination in getting the job done. Miquel is currently working on Watkins kits and assembly and packaging for Fastenal. He enjoys spending time with friends and family, especially his nephew. Miquel also enjoys oil-painting



February
Brandy

Brandy began working at Winona ORC in 1992. She has worked many jobs within the community such as Watkins, Fastenal and the Aquatic Center Concessions; along with working at Winona ORC completing a variety of jobs. Brandy enjoys spending time with family and friends, watching movies and fishing.



March
Brandon

Brandon started working at Winona ORC in 2013. He works at community job sites like Watkins, Behrens and Riverstar as well as in house assembly work. He has been working very hard gaining new experiences and new friends. Brandon likes to spend time on his family farm driving the tractors and helping in the field.

Bob Priem at Kiwanis



Transportation Coordinator, Bob Priem spoke to the Winona Kiwanis Club on March 19, 2014 on our transportation system. Transportation is often a barrier to employment with people with disabilities. Winona ORC operates four busses in Winona and the surrounding area providing fixed route curb to curb transit services and averages over 600 rides a week. Drivers must complete Special Transportation Services (STS) training.

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Our Mission:

It is our mission to provide community based employment, vocational training and comprehensive job related skills and services to people with special needs. We will design programs to work harmoniously with other community resources to maximize opportunities to our clients and our community.

We envision a world where all people are uplifted by working. Through pride, dignity, continuous learning and respect for all, we build a healthier community.