



MILNE newsletter

ALEXANDER MILNE DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

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COME VISIT! YOU'LL LOVE US!

Alexander Milne Developmental Services, known as Milne or Milneburg, is a unique 12-home subdivision for intellectually and developmentally disabled adults in Covington, Louisiana. Milne provides high quality, full-time care services, individualized treatment plans and employment opportunities to promote independence and self-fulfillment for our 48 residents. Started in 1844 and originally located in Gentilly, this state-of-the-art program relocated to the city's Northshore after the 2005 levee failure following Hurricane Katrina and is supported by generous private donations. **Learn more at milnedev.org**

Office Hours:
M-F 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
(985) 327-6550



KREWE OF MILNE MARDI GRAS BALL:

Our residents campaigned and made posters to earn their peers votes to be on the Mardi Gras Ball Court!
They went all out and had the best time advocating for themselves!



Milne Life: Whew, we have been super busy learning and having fun!

This year has been busy and we have been enjoying every minute of it! We have been learning all sorts of things during our classes from math and science to exercising and the benefits it has on our well-being. Of course, our favorite time is celebrating all the holidays and socializing with all of our friends within the Milneburg community!



Special Oylmpics

Our Milne residents participated once agin in the Special Oylmpics held on May 19-21, 2023 at Southeastern Louisiana University. All their hard worked preparing for this event paid off as many of our residents placed!



Resident Spotlight

JAMES:
Patrick aka as James has been at Milne since November 2020. He is very easy going and loves his new life at Milne and spending time with his new friends. He enjoys listening to music, swinging in his hammock, and going out to eat-his favorite is Mexican. James also loves to be outdoors, especially around water. Some of his favorite water activities are sailing, fishing, boat riding, swimming, and camping. James is always ready to go on trips. But what he really loves the most is spending time with his family: Parents Ellen and Patrick, his brother Thomas, his brother Ted and sister-in-law Kimberly, his nephew Connor, and his niece Kate.



MORGAN:
Morgan has loved music from a very young age. She has been playing violin since she was 8 years old, starting out in the program offered in her school, and moving on to private lessons which she continues today. She grew up in a pipe band family -- her father and sister play bagpipes, and her mother plays bass and snare drums -- and she started learning tenor drumming just by watching other drummers at rehearsals. Now she participates in solo drumming competitions at Scottish Highland Games, usually placing in the top three in her division, and was named Novice Tenor Drummer of the Day at two large competitions: Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in North Carolina, and Stone Mountain Highland Games in Georgia. In school and camp talent shows, she has a routine that uses both of her instruments; she plays a tune on her violin, and then hooks up her drum to accompany a bagpiper playing the same tune. In 2016, Morgan and her bagpiping sister Gillian were flown to Las Vegas to perform at the annual Festival of Trees and Lights Gala, a fundraiser for the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada. Morgan listens to many kinds of music, and loves to dance. She enjoys playing Pokemon Go on her phone, as well as doing daily Duolingo lessons in Spanish and French. She also loves art, either by her own hand, or doing color-by-numbers on her smart phone app.



Milne's 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Villere & Co. sponsored Milne's 3rd Annual Golf Tournament at Money Hill Golf & Country Club on May 11, 2023 benefiting Alexander Milne Developmental Services. We are beyond pleased with the turnout for this years tournament and cannot wait until next year! Thank you to our title sponsor Villere & Co., along with all our other sponsors that participated in this amazing event for a great cause!



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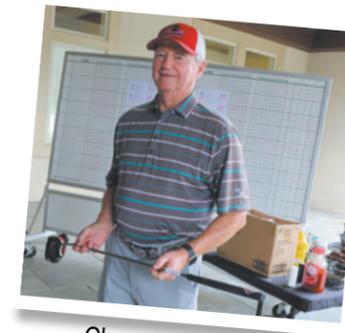
Longest Drive



Longest Drive



3rd Place



Closest to the Hole





You Can Help Milneburg!

Alexander Milne Developmental Services, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, encourages members of the community to give special consideration to helping fulfill our mission to serve adults with intellectual and physical challenges.

Ways you can help us grow our endowment are through gifts and planned contributions, as well as joining our Friends of Milne Volunteer Group, which can assist in our fundraising endeavors and activities with our residents.

Contact Megan Lamier: MLamier@milneds.org or call (985) 327-6550 to discuss your charitable gift.

Recognition of Loved Ones by Family and Friends

Milne is greatly honored to be the recipient of financial tributes and remembrances honoring loved ones.

In memory of Mr. Peter Feringa:

Ms. Martha Mitchell
Ms. Kathryn Finch
Ms. Harriet Nelson
Ms. Creevy Clay
Ms. Roger Clay

In memory of Mrs. Doris Winfrey:

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Constrantsich
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In memory of Mr. Jack Winfrey:

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Constrantsich
Mr. Toby Cheramie
Ms. Amy Delaney
Mr. Richard Conner, Mr. Willie Conner, and Ms. JoAnn Gilliland
Mr. Byron Cummings

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In memory of Ms. Noel Dantin:

Mr. and Mrs. William Talbot
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Mr. and Mrs. James Dudley

In memory of Ms. Sharon Frederick:

Ms. Brianna Galvin

From the Executive Director Jodie Robinson

I am pleased to announce that after three years The Public Health Emergency Act has been lifted on May 12, 2023 allowing our Milneburg community to finally open to all of our families, friends, and surrounding communities!



Our Recreation Department is also in full swing in planning and organizing on-site events, and community outings.

We are even more excited for the return of our Milne Fall Festival on Sunday, October 29, 2023 from 12 P.M. - 3 P.M. Our residents are beyond ready to share in all the Fall festivities, so mark your calendar and come out and join us! Please see our Milne event page on our website for more details on how to purchase tickets, sponsor, or be a vendor. We look forward to seeing you there!

Jodie Robinson

Milne Fall Festival is BACK!:

We are beyond excited to bring back our annual fall festival! Due to COVID we have been unable to have this amazing event for the past three years. Our residents and staff cannot wait to celebrate the season with all our friends, families, and community. Come out and join us for an afternoon enjoying many games, hayrides, music, face-painting, costume contest, and trick-or-treating!

Please consider becoming an event sponsor, house sponsor or a vendor in our marketplace. Our residents, families and local community members thank you.

Please contact Megan Lamier, Marketing Coordinator, at MLamier@outlook.com or Jodie Robinson, Executive Director at (985) 327-6550 or visit <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/e/gnrZDg?vid=z9kec> for more information on sponsorship levels.



GIVE NOLA DAY

We would like to thank each and every one of our donors for supporting Alexander Milne Developmental Services on GiveNOLA Day this year. We are delighted to announce that we had twenty-five donations totaling \$16,525! Please continue to help us by sharing our successes with others and inviting them to be a part of the Milne mission.



“As everyone can see the residents of Milne have been very busy since the end of the Public Health Emergency. We are beyond excited to see things getting back to normal. On behalf of the Board I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to the entire staff of Milne for their dedication and support not only during the PHE, but for the great job they do each and every day! I hope to see everyone at the Milne Fall Festival, October 29, 2023. ” Lucy McCann





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OUR MISSION

Alexander Milne Developmental Services is committed to providing the highest quality care services and life experiences to each person, allowing them to attain the optimal level of independence, self-determination, and self-fulfillment. The staff of Milne will treat each person with dignity, compassion and respect, allowing each person to participate fully in the development and delivery of these services. We are committed to being good stewards with our resources, ensuring we provide exceptional value to our corporation, donors, friends and every person. Nothing is more gratifying to us and our stake holders than success.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MILNE FALL FESTIVAL

October 29, 2023 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Milne
1065 Milne Circle, Covington, LA 70435



OFFICE CLOSED

November 23, Thanksgiving Day
December 25, Christmas Day
January 1, New Year's Day