



# News from Linden

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## All About Linden Ave

### LINDEN AVE NEWSLETTER

Linden Ave participated in the 5th annual "Art St. Croix" art show for artists with disabilities. Here you see Sharmiki B. visiting and admiring one of the pieces we submitted. This was a beautiful piece done on tile. Linden Ave. and Oakdale sites have sent pieces now for 2 years. We are very grateful to Art St. Croix to have a place to show our wonderful artists' works.



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### Consumer Highlight: Kim G.

We have a lovely new gal here at Linden and her name is Kim. Kim joined us in December of '09. She has been a lot of fun. Recently she has been busy helping the Navigators room write a book and doing some shopping. Kim lives with her dad and brother. "Welcome, Kim!"



*Live*

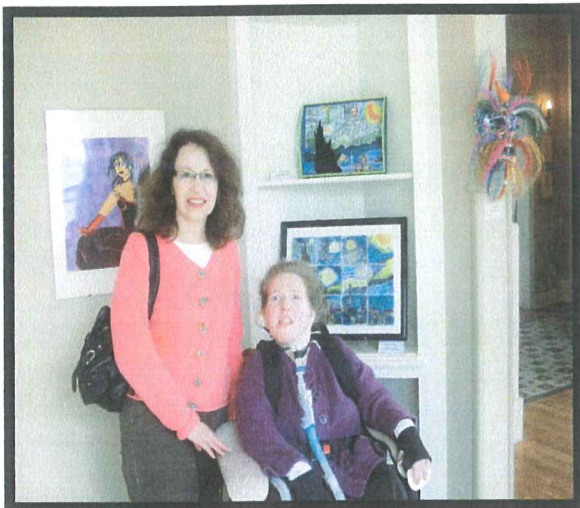
*Love*

*Laugh*

*At Linden*



# Art St. Croix: *Living Creatively 2010*



Several people were able to go to the Art St. Croix art show in Stillwater. Here you see some of our art displayed in the corner cabinet by Britta and her mom, Joy. We were so glad she was able to join our outing.

We made several trips. All the pieces at the art show were made by artists with a disability. We saw everything from masks to stained glass and the bust from Oakdale. We are already planning 2011! Below are two pieces from Linden

## “Starry Night” by wilderness on the left and Studio on the right



## “Revolutionary Men”

The men’s group now go by “The revolutionary men” Here you see James and Zach shopping at Menards. The plan is to make a racetrack and to get supplies for the checkers game they are making. They are always up to some big project. The RM really like discussing the latest sporting event,. They were really into fantasy football.





## Inspiration from Marc Chagall by: Navigators



Our inspiration came from the artist Marc Chagall. He is famous for his stained glass windows. We decided to take several of his pieces of art and do our renditions in picture frames without the backs. This piece was done by the Navigators room. (White in the middle is the flash...sorry) Our plan is to hang them in the rooms from the windows and watch the light come through like the original Chagall windows!

*"... Giving people the resources they need..."*

## Visit to the State Capitol

David took a site seeing tour to the State Capital. They are always so accommodating and show us around. The tour gives us a better idea of the building and how our government works. David B and Gov. Ventura.



*That's what PA is all about!*

## Passages: Greta N.



Greta came to us in May of 2009. While she was with us only a short time, she made a big impression. Greta really had a fondness for being involved and close to people. She found joy and comfort in doing things she had done in her past. However, we think she especially liked seeing her favorite staff, Thomas!



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## Things in the news

-Linden Ave. had our every other year licensing review. We did great.

-We had a fantastic celebration during Black History month. Thanks to Marqueia and Carnise for organizing it.

-Many people went to the Annual Shrine Circus thanks to a generous donation!

-Keep your eye out for an invitation to our annual barbeque at Linden. All rooms will be participating. Word is there will be a dunk tank!

-Good luck to Mike and Charles who moved from Linden to work programs. We miss them.

-We are going to make some garden stepping stones. If you have any old colorful mugs or plates we would be interested.

Linden would like to request that group homes look at your transfer

belts. If any of them belong to PAI we would appreciate getting them back. We are running low and think some of them may have made their way to homes on consumers. Thanks so much!

Be sure to check out the Phoenix Alternatives web site. It has all the happenings from all of the sites. Check it out at: [www.phoenixalternatives.org](http://www.phoenixalternatives.org)

If you have any questions or concerns we want to hear from you. If you are in the neighborhood, stop in!

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