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**Summer 2014 Newsletter**



*Hi Everyone, Katie's House continues to thrive despite tightening economic times, thanks to our dedicated supporters. While our core mission of providing safe and supervised housing for young adults with intellectual disabilities is still very important, we came to the realization that a full life for our young adults required more than shelter... It also required mental stimulation and physical engagement. Thus our Center For Advancement was born and continues to grow and mature. The Center caters to individuals living in the surrounding communities. We provide opportunities to practice and learn cooking skills, habilitation dance classes and classes in sign language. Our young adults also need to be out in the community with peers. We have 2 groups that provide opportunities for Social interaction. The Friendship Group just celebrated its 5 year anniversary and Circle of Friends now 2 years. This issue of our Newsletter is entirely devoted to the Center and to the wonderful young people who play such an important role in its activities'*

*Love, Katie*

## **YAAAAAY FRIENDS**



*Life is good and our wish for you, is to enjoy watermelon, shaved ice, picnics, fireworks and fairs with all your favorite people like we do.*

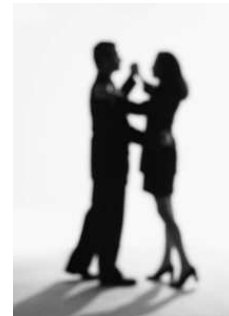


*We Could Have Danced  
All Night!!*



**Our semi-formal gives us the opportunity to practice our dance skills. We had a fun evening with Friendship Group and Circle of Friends. Total Members now 48.**

**Don't we look beautiful, handsome AND oh soooo happy?**



*Paying it Forward!!!*

**The Service Group is an important aspect of personal development. Each year we try to "pay it forward" by collecting toys for the Pediatric Oncology Department at St. Joseph's Hospital. This year we donated over \$2000 in new toys and gifts to the unit thanks to our generous friends.**



*We love Our Drum Circle !!*



**You can see the fun that we have while sharing rhythm and getting in tune with ourselves and each other.**

**Please consider making a donation so we can continue to provide activities for adults with Intellectual Disabilities.**