

The Desert Voice

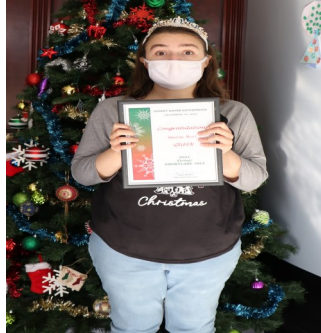
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Royal Court of the 2021 Snowflake Ball



So much has changed in 2021, and DHE has continued to move forward by safely opening up to more consumers including a 50% capacity opening of the Project Independence program. This meant that the 2021 Snowflake Ball would have some real live dancing! The tables were cleared out of the way to ensure everyone could be safely spaced out, the music was turned up, and the party was started! Consumers and staff joined in as the dancing started and instantly you could feel the positive energy surging throughout the room. After about an hour of dancing it was time to name our new King and Queen of the 2021 Snowflake Ball, and catch our breath!



This year the title of 2021 Snowflake Ball Queen went to Amanda West. Amanda is one of the friendliest individuals you will meet and loves to help out others in need. Amanda is an excellent artist and loves to turn on her creative side when the opportunity is available.

This year the title of 2021 Snowflake Ball King went to Richard Faulkner. Richard is always smiling and always goes out of his way to make sure others around him are happy. Richard has a goal to enroll in the work readiness 2.0 program and work out in the community on one of Desert Haven Enterprises hab crews.

Queen Amanda West and King
Richard Faulkner.

Congratulations to the King and Queen of the 2021 Snowflake Ball!

DESERT HAVEN STILL KNOWS HOW TO PARTY 2021 SNOWFLAKE BALL

With Project Independence back with half capacity, we were able to see some of the best dance moves ever seen before in person! The feeling of seeing others in person as they grooved to the music created an atmosphere of joy.



Consumers of the Month

Congratulations to our fellow coworkers, who have been selected by the staff as Consumers of the Month / Quarter for the first half of 2021-22:

Work Readiness (AV)

(Employment Skills Training Habilitation Crews)

- Mina Caldwell
- Anthony Campos
- Jada Key
- Chaz Phillips
- Maggie Gonzalez
- Justin Anderson
- Tracy Nguyen
- Sean Lussier
- Desiree Spencer
- Armando Macias
- Angelica Jimenez
- Terrell Boyd

Work Readiness (SCV)

*(Employment Skills Training Habilitation Crews)
(Chosen Quarterly)*

July—September
Nancy Winegar

October—December
Samuel Strader

Supported Employment Individual Placement

(Chosen Quarterly)

July—September
Peyton Von Buck—Stater Bros in East Lancaster

October—December
Jose Gonzalez—Delta Scientific

Project Independence

- Ralph Harper
- Marcos Moreira
- Erik Leos
- Melissa Soto
- Scott Steusloff
- Javier “Junior” Romero

Great Job and Congratulations!



Hab Crews Working Hard

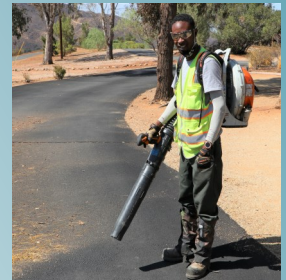
Desert Haven would like to give a shout out to all the hab crew consumers who go out in the community five days a week working hard to make sure this community looks great! Monday through Friday, around 8:30am, you will begin to see Desert Haven Enterprises vans spreading out across the valley. These vans carry some of the hardest working individuals that you will ever meet on their way to get the job done. Some of the sites that these amazing individuals service are:

1. Antelope Valley College
2. Rite Aid Distribution
3. Neotech (Santa Clarita)
4. The Havens at Antelope Valley
5. Village Pointe Apartments
6. Love This Horse Equine Rescue



And many more!!

Services at these sites include fulfillment, packaging, custodial, grounds maintenance, volunteer crews, and special projects. Make sure you thank these individuals next time you see them out helping keep this community looking beautiful.



We want to hear from you!

The Consumer Advisory Committee is always looking for new members. Let your DHE Counselor know today if you are interested.

The Desert Voice is a newsletter for and about consumers of Desert Haven Enterprises. If you are interested in writing or sharing a story, poem, photo, artwork or anything else you would like to see published in the newsletter, please contact the facilitators of the Consumer Advisory Committee: Lorraine McKesson & Elizabeth Hanson. You may also reach out to Eric Walker with your input.

**We want to hear from you...
the amazing and gifted consumers of
Desert Haven Enterprises!!**

