

Welcome Ashley!

By: Josh Howard

We all have a new transition specialist who just came to the program last month. Her name is Ashley and we have lots and lots and lots of plans to keep her extra busy. Ashley is here to help us all on our goals and achievements on our life styles and choices. Her plan for the future is to be here at Otsego Academy and to help students with their goals, to have a successful life after they graduate from Otsego Academy.



She is hoping to encourage independence as much as possible and hope to teach skills to maintain independence in the community. Ashley is here to be a role model for all who seek her for help in the future or now.



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Coming Soon!

- The Heart Run and Walk
- The Most Museum
- Colgate Leadership Week
- SPRING BREAK!
- Graduation!

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By: Layla Hallinan – Otsego Academy House Manager

The month of February has brought many exciting activities and celebrations for the Otsego Academy students. We worked together to plan a Valentines dance for everyone at Pathfinder Village, which was a huge success! Additionally, we participated in new classes such as yoga at Colgate University and swimming at Hartwick College. We have been extremely busy and can't believe it is already March! Time certainly flies when you are having fun!

While busy in class, we still have been enjoying time at home making new and exciting meals such as Black Bean Tortilla Pie! We have also been improving our bowling skills on Sundays. It's hard to believe that there's only a short time before the semester is over. We are looking forward to the final semester of the year and all the fun that Colgate Leadership Week will bring!

“ I'll look back on this and smile because it was LIFE and I decided to LIVE IT. ”

The Otsego Academy Valentines Dance

By: Eric Mackiewicz

On February 12th Otsego Academy planned a dance party for Valentines day. The dance was in the gymnasium at Pathfinder school. I wore a white button shirt and my black cowboy hat. I went with Josh, Jared, Theresa, PJ, Layla, Jessie, and Nancy. I love listening to the music and the DJ. I felt happy to drink the iced drinks. That week we made rice krispies, jello, and cookies for the dance. We made a photo booth and took pictures. I liked to dance with my friends.



YOGA at Colgate University

By: Jared Okun

We go to a yoga class every Monday at Colgate University. Liz teaches us how to take deep breaths and make all different poses. Yoga is really motivating and makes us relax. I like to do the downward dog pose. My favorite part was when we laid down on our backs and took deep breaths. We each got our own yoga mat and blocks. It was a lot of fun!



JT came to visit!

By: Jared Okun

JT is a student at Pathfinder School who came to visit us. He is a really fun guy to get to know. We went to Clarks gym to swim. We had fun with him. I took him to basketball practice and I walked back to the dorm house with him. We watched movies with him. Getting to know him was rewarding because he always makes me happy and he is really fun. His parents are awesome and they are really fun as well.



Swimming at Hartwick College

By: PJ Randolph



On February 20, we went to Hartwick College to take part in a swimming clinic hosted by the girls water polo team. When asked, PJ said that it was so much fun! He said that he swam with his friends, used the pool noodles, and even jumped off the diving blocks. PJ said, "We swam like mermaids". After swimming, every student was awarded a medal for completing the session. PJ said, "I love the medal!" Everyone had a blast!

Making Cupcakes with Colgate University Students

By: Theresa Clark

On February 29, we went to the building of Alana cultural center and we did the cupcake baking at Colgate. We made chocolate and vanilla cupcakes. The Colgate students will sell the cupcakes. I saw my friend Molly and took a picture. I saw a sign of the bathroom door and it said sisters. I also saw a poster that said support the dream act. I had a lot of fun. I want to do this again and make the cupcakes at the Delaware house.

