

Suzanne Michelle Gomes, of Dover, was referred to KSI by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services in March of 2000. **Michelle**, as she prefers to be called, loves music and dancing.

Not only is **Michelle** quite rhythmic, but she is also a good worker. She takes extra time to do her best, and willingly tries new jobs.

In the time that **Michelle** has worked at KSI she has had work experiences through KSI's facility-based employment program as well as through KSI's community-based employment program.

She currently works on a community-based work crew at Playtex Products in Dover. **Michelle** is responsible for opening special bonus packages. She then separates and sorts the packaged items. This job is a great match for **Michelle**.

She likes helping people. When visiting family in Texas, **Michelle** helps to brush the horses, feed the chickens, and gather eggs. She also likes attending musical shows and concerts.

She looks forward to the KSI picnic and Christmas party so she can see her friends, listen to music, and dance.



Michelle Gomes

Birthday - May 9

APRIL 2008

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Tidewater Utilities, Inc.

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Saturday

May is Direct Support Professionals Month Thank you to all our partners who provide direct support.				1	2	3
4	5 New Moon	6	7	8 KSI Make A Difference Society Recognition Event, Call 422-4014 ext. 3015	9	10
11 Mother's Day First Quarter Moon	12	13	14	15 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m. Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	16	17 KSI Annual Picnic
18	19 Full Moon	20	21	22	23 KSI Closed	24
25	26 KSI Holiday Memorial Day	27 Last Quarter Moon	28	29	30	31

May 2008

Inez Johnson, of Dover, was referred to KSI in May of 2006 by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services. She likes to be called **Necy**.

Fastenal is one of her favorite jobs. In this picture, **Necy** is putting together a five-piece assembly for Fastenal Company. She also likes working on jobs that involve packing - whether unpacking or packing, she likes it. **Necy** looks forward to working so she can earn her own money.

Necy's smile and eager greeting indicate the friendly, giving person that she is. People are special to **Necy** and she likes to help them. She is a charter member of the Aktion Club, a community service club for adults with physical and mental disabilities, sponsored by the Dover Kiwanis Club.

Watch that smile light up her face when **Necy** is getting ready to go to a dance. She likes dressing up and getting her hair and nails done professionally. With a smile and a chuckle, she shakes her hips from side to side, and says "I'm gonna go shake, shake, shake." KSI's annual picnic and Christmas party are great opportunities for **Necy** to exercise her dancing abilities.



Inez Johnson Birthday - June 22

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Sponsored by:
Discover Bank

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 KSI Board Meeting 8 a.m.	3 New Moon	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 KSI Annual Brd Mtg KSI Annual Awards Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Sheraton Dover Hotel (Facility closes at 2 p.m. for Participants)	11	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18 Full Moon	19 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m., Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	20	21 Summer Begins
22	23	24	25	26 Last Quarter Moon	27 KSI In-Service Training, KSI Closed for Participants	28
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June 2008

Kenneth Robinson, of Dover, was referred to KSI in August of 2002 by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services.

A young man in his late 20's, **Kenny** has received many certificates of recognition, accomplishment, and appreciation. One of his recent certificates was for successfully completing manual pallet jack training.

Kenny is employed on the KSI work crew at Playtex Products in Dover. Being certified to operate a manual pallet jack provides additional employment options for **Kenny**. He loves his job at Playtex and looks forward to working. He has also received certificates on a regular basis from KSI for having monthly perfect attendance.

He is a distinguished Special Olympics athlete, having participated in Special Olympics for close to ten years. He loves sports and excels in basketball, softball, bowling, and golf. In 2007, **Kenny** was chosen Athlete of the Year and he and his family were invited to attend a "Night of Hero's Celebration" for Special Olympics at the University of Delaware Clayton Hall.

There is never a dull moment in **Kenny's** world - wonder what certificate he'll receive next!!



Kenneth Robinson

Birthday - August 21

JULY 2008

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Sponsored by:

Delaware Electric Cooperative

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Reminder: KSI 3 Club Golf Tournament, Wednesday, September 17, Call Alicia Hollis for details, 422-4014 ext. 3015					1 New Moon	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 First Quarter Moon	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Full Moon
17	18	19	20	21 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m. Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	22	23 Last Quarter Moon
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 New Moon
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August 2008

Melvin Freeman, of Seaford, was referred to KSI in 2005 from the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services.

Melvin is full of personality. He is employed on a KSI work crew at Procter & Gamble The Dover Wipes Company (P&G). He has a healthy confidence in himself and likes the increased independence this job provides.

He is very close and loyal to his family. He likes to help his mom and sister with house cleaning and cutting grass. Melvin is proud that his paycheck enables him to contribute financially if his family needs the help. He also enjoys buying his own clothes and CD's. He is particularly interested in rap music.

Melvin has begun a birthday tradition with his co-workers at P&G. When it is someone's birthday, the crew sings the traditional happy birthday song. Much to everyone's delight, Melvin's fast-paced rap version of happy birthday follows the traditional song.

A kind, giving individual, Melvin likes people. He likes movies, bowling, and going to the Laurel flea market. He is thankful that KSI provides transportation so he can get from his home in Seaford to his job in Dover.



Melvin Freeman Birthday - September 25

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Sponsored by:
Citizens Bank

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 KSI Holiday Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7 First Quarter Moon	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Full Moon	16	17 19th Annual KSI 3 Club Golf Tourney, Shawnee Country Club, 1:00 p.m.	18 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m. Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	19	20
21	22 KSI Board Meeting 8 a.m. Autumn Begins	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 New Moon	30 Rosh Hashanah				

September 2008

Michael McDonald, of Harrington, was referred to KSI in 1997 by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services.

He is a very loyal friend. When **Michael** cares about someone, or something, he is extremely dedicated and loyal. This is particularly evident in his relationship with his friend, co-worker, and roommate, Tommy.

Working on contracts through KSI's facility-based employment program has given **Michael** the opportunity to work with many of the friends he's made at KSI. In this picture, **Michael** is part of a production line, assembling items into a "Rehoboth'opoly" game.

Michael has worked on a variety of jobs at KSI over the years. Full of excitement to be working, he doesn't usually care what job he's working on, so long as everything is okay with his friends around him. **Michael's** compassion for others is very strong.

Routine is very important in **Michael's** world. He absolutely loves to ride the KSI van to and from work. This is one of the most important things to happen in **Michael's** day. He also likes to watch television. The news and "I Love Lucy" are his favorite shows.



Michael McDonald Birthday - October 1

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Dover Federal Credit Union

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October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month Call Alicia Hollis to schedule your tour of KSI 422-4014 ext. 3015			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 First Quarter Moon	8	9 Yom Kippur New Moon	10	11
12	13 Columbus Day	14 Full Moon	15 KSI Business Appreciation Awards Breakfast	16 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m. Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	17	18
19	20	21 Last Quarter Moon	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 New Moon	29	30	31 Halloween	

October 2008

Julia Secrest, of Magnolia, was referred to KSI in September of 2000 by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services. Kind and caring, **Julia** loves to wear brightly colored clothes and always dresses up for special occasions and holidays.

Making her own money is important to **Julia**. She is a shopper and loves to buy jewelry, especially rings and necklaces. **Julia** is a versatile worker. Her supervisors have gotten to know **Julia** over the years and have developed environmental supports that help her meet with success.

Julia is seen here inspecting poultry seasoning injectors for Perdue Farms of Milford. This is one of her favorite jobs. She also likes to do mailouts and is very proficient at precise placement labeling. **Julia** prefers working independently, rather than in a group environment.

She has a close and loving relationship with her family. **Julia** is very active in the Southside Baptist Church where her father, Rev. Ron Secrest, is a pastor. **Julia** had her first experience at camp Pecometh in Centreville, Maryland in the summer of 2007. She was very proud to have paid her own way with money she saved from her paychecks.



Julia Secrest Birthday - November 30

OCTOBER 2008

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Schmittinger & Rodriguez, PA

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2 Daylight Saving Ends (set clocks back one hour)	3	4 Election Day	5 First Quarter Moon	6	7 New Moon	8
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16	17	18	19 Last Quarter Moon	20 Come See Inside KSI Tour, 8:30 a.m. Call for reservation 422-4014 ext. 3015	21	22
23 30	24	25 KSI Off-Grounds Staff Appreciation Dinner	26 KSI Brd Mtg 10:30 a.m., Staff & Brd Appreciation Luncheon Noon, KSI In-Service Training, KSI Closed for Participants	27 KSI Holiday Thanksgiving Day	28 KSI Holiday	29

November 2008