

# Village SPIRIT

e-newsletter



Michael & Shawn

## September Calendar

**5th** - Labor Day! Valley Village will day programs and offices will be closed that day.

**10th** - Valley Village will be at the Lokrantz School 50th Anniversary Celebration from 3pm-7pm.

**22nd** - Valley Village's General Membership Meeting at 4pm at 20830 Sherman Way.

**23rd** - Autumn Begins!

Birthday Party on November 6, 2011!



New Valley Village photos on facebook



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We hope that you've been enjoying your summer! Now find out what Valley Village has been up to.

## BUTTERCELLI BAKESHOP & HIKE IT UP

### Thank you!

Shelly Pennington, owner of [Buttercelli Bakeshop](#) and Hike Mkhoian, founder of [Hike it Up!](#) joined forces and decided to make Valley Village the lucky recipient of delicious, organic baked goods every Thursday for the month of August! Shelly generously packed scrumptious cupcakes, coffeecakes, donuts and more for our clients to enjoy. Thank you Shelly for all the treats and thank you to Hike for introducing us to Shelly! Stop by the [Buttercelli Bakeshop](#) and get a taste of all of the amazing sweets available. Visit [Hike it Up!](#) and see how you can also get involved.



Jeffrey from Winnetka ADHC program giving his thumbs up to Buttercelli!

## NEW FREEDOM GRANT OUTINGS

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## Social Butterflies!

Thanks to our New Freedom grant, we've been able to take our day program clients into the community a few times a week instead of once a month. The grant has helped us increase our community outings

by expanding our volunteer program with help to offset costs for things like trainings. Getting our clients out and about in the community is extremely important not only for their health and well being, but also for the community to get to know our clients and how wonderful they really are. The volunteers are able to assist with simple tasks such as



Valley Village Sunland Day Program client Gaby, enjoying shopping at the Glendale Galleria



Valley Village Sunland Day Program clients enjoying a trip to the California Science Center

helping push a wheelchair or spend one on one time with a client during an outing or showing them the different scenery. Volunteers enable other staff to stay behind with clients who need to remain at day program.

## SAVE THE DATES

### Upcoming Events

We have several exciting events coming up that need your support. Here's what's happening:

1. [Lokrantz School](#), **Saturday, September 10, 3pm-7pm**. Come and enjoy entertainment, food trucks, guest speakers, games, and 50 years of photos and memories of the school. You can help support Valley Village by attending the event or volunteering at our booth the day of.



2. [Community at Large Day](#), **Sunday, Oct 2, 11am-1pm** at the California Science Center - This is a special day that is organized by Valley Village for anyone with a disability and their family and friends. You can help support Valley Village by signing up to volunteer the day of the event or just show up with your family and friends and enjoy a day at the museum.



3. [Hamburger Mary's Legendary Bingo Fundraiser](#), **Wednesday, Oct 12, 9pm-11pm** at 8288 Santa Monica Blvd. West Hollywood, CA 90046 - Join Valley Village for another hilarious bingo night at the famous Hamburger Mary's restaurant in West Hollywood. We'll be enjoying amazing burgers, bingo, and drag!



4. [Valley Village's 40th Birthday Celebration](#), **Sunday, Nov 6, 11am-3pm** at 20830 Sherman Way, Winnetka, CA 91306 - Join us in celebrating Valley Village's 40th Birthday with music, food, games and much more. It is going to be a very special day filled with remembering old times and making new memories.



**OUR NEWEST TEAM MEMBER**

## Meet Frances!

Here's a face to one of the voices! Frances is our new receptionist at our main office. She joined our team a few weeks ago, and she has been and continues to be an amazing team member! Welcome to the family!



Frances, our new receptionist!

Frances shares the front the desk duties with our long time receptionist Joanna. So if you call and get Joanna or Frances don't be surprised, we have two lovely ladies ready to help!

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"For everything you have missed, you have gained something else, and for everything you gain, you lose something else."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Every time you give through Valley Village, you're supporting 400 men and women with developmental challenges.

Sincerely,

Your Friends at Valley Village