

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** The Academy is open regular hours of Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. using screening and safety protocols. For more information about our Phase I Safety Guidelines on the Academy's website: AcademySRQ.org.











## REELING IN A BIG FISH

At the invitation of Mike Quillan, co-owner of Gecko's Hospitality Group, we met with his Tripletail Seafood & Spirits team to discuss

the development of an employment partnership, in what feels like a perfect match for our Transitional Employment program. Gecko's offers exceptional service and has deep roots in the community, supporting hundreds of non-profits over the years. It's not every day that we find businesses so well-aligned with our values.

Academy staff recently toured Tripletail with Gecko's Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Farrell and Chef Trea Peavey to discuss job opportunities. It's a privilege to work with businesses that pursue service excellence with a dedicated team of professionals. For more information about Gecko's, please visit www.Geckosgrill.com. Stay tuned for more information about this exciting new partnership. Tripletail is quite the *catch*, and we can't wait to *sea* what happens next!



(left to right) Patty Haltinner, Gecko's Chief Operating Officer Fiona Farrell, Tripletail Chef Trea Peavey Autumn Peterson and Jeffrey Jean.

# **WELCOME Ryan Eskew**

Hello my name is Ryan Jacob Eskew. My heritage is Cherokee Indian. I am 29 years old. I enjoy coming to the Academy. It helps me use my imagination and strengthen my mind. I volunteer in the Business & Tech team and I'm working on improving my typing and computer

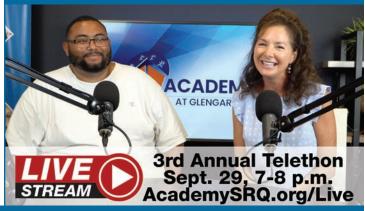


Ryan Eskew

skills. I'm also working on being more social. For the last eight years, I've been home with my parents, and not socializing with others. I feel accepted here, and it feels safe to just be myself.

I have a brother that passed away recently. His name is Ronnie Eskew. My heart is troubled by my loss. The Academy helps keep my mind busy. When I'm not at the Academy, I enjoy the outdoors and fishing.

## **ONLY TWO MONTHS AWAY**



## **FOOD FOR KIDS IN NEED**

We had a great opportunity to host a food drive for Church of the Palms. One important aspect of our Academy community is service, and we try to host service projects that benefit our Sarasota community. We have collected three full boxes of food items such as canned goods, granola bars and shelf-stable milk. Church of the Palms encouraged us to donate kid-friendly snacks and foods that are simple to make. It has been amazing to watching our members get excited about serving our community. Whoop Whoop! Our members have been gracious, and we are all happy to participate in the act of ending summer hunger!



(left to right) Stephen Anderson, Joanne Campbell, Ben Burnside, Jeffrey Jean, Jason Sulimay, William McKeever, Chantel Gingerich, Patty Haltinner, Joyce Malone, Vanessa Alcantara and Geoffrey Gold.

## Wellness

Wellness activities are held every Wednesday from 3-4 p.m.

by Eresh Hossain

At Wellness Wednesday this week, we worked on mandalas. Mandalas are simple pattern drawings that are supposed to help with mental stress and anxiety. Mandala drawings have different shapes and colors that replicate different powers or feelings.

When drawing mandalas, it eased my mind as we listened to harmonic music. I used several different colors on my mandala, but my favorite color was red because it focuses on power and passion.

After finishing coloring my mandala, I felt more stress-free and motivated.



(left to right) Vanessa Alcantara, Juan Martinez, Eresh Hossain, Cayman Seiffert, Joanne Campbell, Rima Ghalieh, Stephen Anderson, Ben Burnside and Autumn Peterson work on mandalas.

### All events take place on-site at the Academy and through the Zoom app.

Watch Slack for Meeting ID and Password.

## Monday, August 2

Morning Meeting - 9 a.m.

Individual Team Meetings - 9:45 a.m. Social Planning Committee - 12 p.m.

Graphic Des/Multimedia Team Meeting - 1:15 p.m.
Bus & Tech/Culinary Team Meetings - 1:30 p.m.
Graphic Design/Multimedia Workshop - 3 p.m.

Tuesday, August 3
Morning Meeting - 9 a.m.
Individual Team Meetings - 9:45 a.m.
Art & Lit Publication Meeting - 11 a.m.

Academy Meeting - 1:30 p.m.

Individual Team Meetings - 2 p.m.

Individual Team Meetings - 9:45 a.m.

Menu Planning Meeting - 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, August 4
Morning Meeting - 9 a.m.
Individual Team Meetings - 9:
Newsroom Meeting - 11 a.m.
Menu Planning Meeting - 11:4
Graphic Des/Multimedia Team
Bus & Tech/Culinary Team M
Wellness Wednesday Worksho
Thursday, August 5
Morning Meeting - 9 a.m.
Individual Team Meetings - 9:
Multimedia Projects Planning
Graphic Des/Multimedia Team
Bus & Tech/Culinary Team M
Friday, August 6
Breakfast Buffet and Morning Graphic Des/Multimedia Team Meeting - 1:15 p.m. Bus & Tech/Culinary Team Meetings - 1:30 p.m. Wellness Wednesday Workshop - 3 p.m.

Individual Team Meetings - 9:45 a.m.

Multimedia Projects Planning - 11 a.m.

Graphic Des/Multimedia Team Meeting - 1:15 p.m. Bus & Tech/Culinary Team Meetings - 1:30 p.m.

Breakfast Buffet and Morning Meeting - 9 a.m. Individual Team Meetings - 10 a.m.

Super Chill Free-write Writer's Workshop - 11 a.m. Graphic Des/Multimedia Team Meeting - 1:15 p.m. Bus & Tech/Culinary Team Meetings - 1:30 p.m. Spanish Workshop - 3 p.m.

## Wednesday, September 29

Academy Telethon - 7 p.m.

## TO MAKE A DONATION

visit our website

AcademySRQ.org

and click on the MD Donate Now button

### Thank you for transforming lives!

The Academy at Glengary, Inc., is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. All donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Academy at Glengary inc. gas a vortigot carnination organization, an contact academic to the section and the plant. The Academy at Glengary is registered with the state of Florida (CH56160). A copy of the Official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services at www.800helpfla.Com or by calling toll-free 800-435-7352 within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state





