



Mentor Duluth News

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National Mentoring Month

January is National Mentoring Month and we will be highlighting a 'match of the week' every Wednesday. Stay tuned to our website and social media for each story! Two other noteworthy days to keep in mind during January:

January 12, 2017 – **I Am A Mentor Day**

A day for volunteer mentors to celebrate their role and reflect on the ways mentees have enhanced their world.

January 19, 2017 – **#ThankYourMentor Day**

A day for all who have real life mentoring experiences to thank those who helped them on their path to adulthood and beyond.



Mentor Duluth January Activity

Check out the fun activities coming up this month!



Pickleball and Skate Park fun at The Encounter!

Friday, Jan. 27th, 2017—5:30pm to 8:00pm

201 E 1st St.

Spend your Friday evening with fellow Mentor Duluth participants at The Encounter in downtown Duluth! We will learn how to play pickleball (similar to giant ping pong) and spend time on the indoor skate park. This activity is open to all families and mentors and will run from 5:30pm to 8:00pm and includes dinner.

***A waiver form will need to be signed before or at the activity by a parent or guardian. Please let us know of any food allergies or sensitivities.**

We'll see you there!

Contact Brianne at 218-722-4745 x120 with any questions

Match Anniversaries!

Congrats to all our matches who are celebrating their anniversaries this month!

Mia	and	Susan Frey	01/01/2015
Kennedy	and	Kayden Norwood	01/06/2015
Parker	and	Shawna Mullen	01/13/2014
Rylee	and	Shawna Mullen	01/13/2014
Terion	and	Sam Feyder	01/17/2014
Christopher	and	Ed Willie	01/18/2016
Damion	and	Todd White	01/19/2016
Mahalia	and	Bailey Murawski	01/20/2016
Myla	and	Nikki Carr	01/21/2016
Shelby	and	Carley Haroldson	01/23/2014
Lartavious	and	Lindsey Pieper	01/28/2014
Paul	and	Lindsey Pieper	01/28/2014
Gianna	and	Sarah Goldberg	01/28/2015
Arianna	and	Sarah Hodgson	01/28/2016
Marcell	and	Scott & Ellie Edgette	01/31/2007

Welcome our latest addition to the team, Michelle Stricker!

Hello everyone! My name is Michelle Stricker and I am the new Mentor Superior Program Advocate. I moved to Superior for college at UWS in 2008 and have been here ever since! In that time, I finished both my undergraduate degree in Sociology and my master's degree in Guidance and Counseling. I have always known the youth age group is the population I wanted to work with and I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to work with children in a variety of settings. I've had experience as a mentor for the GEARS program, an academic mentor for Mentor Superior, and an intern at a children's counseling center. I was also fortunate to serve as a volunteer for Mentor Superior for 3 years before transitioning to my position as the Program Advocate.



A few fun facts about me- I love to spend time with my family and friends, travel, cook, and do just about anything having to do with the outdoors.

I am so excited for this new journey with Mentor Superior!



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Boys & Girls Clubs of the Northland

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Neighborhood Youth Services

310 North First Ave. West., Duluth 55806

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Valley Youth Centers of Duluth

Valley Youth Center, 720 North Central Avenue
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