

Angeline Newsline

Angeline School & Industries

Fall 2004

(Wyandot County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities)

"Serving citizens with developmental disabilities in Wyandot County since 1958."

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Congratulations Graduates of the Class of 2004!

This year, one school-age student and eight preschoolers celebrated graduation from Angeline School. We wish each one of them terrific success in all that they do and become.

School Age: Katie Briggs, shown in photo at left.

Preschool: Maxwell Frey, Robert McDermott, Jaclyn Thiel, Jarett Thiel, Trevor Cook, Rachel DuBois, Seth Lortz, and Camden Spitzer.

Angeline Industries Outstanding Employee Award

Michelle "Buffy" Risner began working at Angeline Industries this summer. She is working half days at Angeline on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and all day on Tuesdays and Thursdays. She is still in school so she has class projects and homework to do when she's not working here. Buffy is doing well adjusting to the working environment. Cheryl Strohm, Production Supervisor, stated, "Buffy continues to improve on the quality of her work and social skills. A couple of the jobs she's been working on recently include sorting parts for Dana and security indicator assembly for M-Tek."



FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Working in partnership with Wyandot County citizens with developmental disabilities, their loved ones, and our community to provide the services and support necessary to achieve a life that is meaningful, safe, and healthy.

- The Mission Statement of the Wyandot County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities' Angeline School & Industries

Guided by this mission, the Angeline board and staff continuously strive to put these words into action for the individuals and families we are privileged to serve. I would like to take just a moment to focus on the "*our community*" part of this mission statement.

We fully recognize the contribution that this community makes in order to assure that Angeline is successful in its support of Wyandot County citizens with developmental disabilities. It truly is a partnership. Be it the education of students with significant disabilities; the provision of respite care for families to give them a break from the demands of daily care-giving; early intervention to infants and toddlers; or attempting to meet the employment needs of the adults we serve; **NONE OF THESE ARE AT ALL POSSIBLE** without the terrific support from you, *our community*.

This fall we will begin developing a 2005 Annual Budget as well as our 2005 Annual Action Plan. We would like to hear from you about the quality of Angeline's programs and services. The feedback that you provide to us about the strengths we have and the areas in which we need to improve is extremely important to our planning efforts.

Included in this edition of the Angeline Newsliner you will find we have inserted a Community Survey. Please take a moment or two to complete the survey and send it back to us. I assure you that each and every response will be carefully considered as the board members, staff, and I plan for the coming year.

Don't forget to stop by and see us at the Angeline/ARC fair booth inside the merchant's building. And as always, thank you for your on-going support of the programs and services we provide to Wyandot County children and adults with developmental disabilities.

- Todd Dilley, Superintendent

REGISTER TO VOTE!

The deadline to register to vote in the November general election is October 4th.
Don't delay.

Harvey Hangs Up His Hat



After nearly 22 years as the Transportation/ Building Maintenance Supervisor at Angeline School & Industries, Harvey Stansbery will be hanging up his hat here in our building one final time on September 30.

Prior to working at Angeline, Harvey was an appliance repairman. When he started the job, it was mostly maintenance, with his transportation duties added later in his tenure. The biggest change he has seen on the job? "There's a lot more paperwork now!" says Harvey.

Harvey plans to keep busy when he leaves Angeline. He farms 50 acres and will be camping a lot more with his wife, Rita. He might even take up hunting again.

"I am going to miss coming in early every day and working with everyone," he said.

With Harvey leaving, some personnel shuffling will be taking place at Angeline. Lyneen Reinschell, Production Manager, will absorb the transportation supervisory duties. Dan Cutchall, Custodian, will add the duties of building and grounds maintenance and Karen Walter has been hired as the new Transportation and Adult Services Secretary, to address those large amounts of paperwork Harvey mentioned.

We wish you the best in your retirement, Harvey, and we will miss you!

Welcome Back, Karen!



After 13 years, Karen Walter is back working for the Wyandot County Board of MR/DD. Karen began her new duties on August 30 as the Adult Services/ Transportation Secretary.

Karen previously worked for Angeline from 1976 to 1981 as a preschool aide, Angeline Industries' secretary and substitute bus driver. Even after leaving, she continued to work in the MRDD field in residential settings. She continues to be an active member of the Wyandot County Chapter of ARC.

"I know most everyone here," she commented. "There are some new faces, but a lot of familiar ones. I love this program it's near and dear to my heart!"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 6 *Labor Day School & Industries Closed*
- Sept. 14-19 Wyandot County Fair
- Sept. 21 Parent Educational Meeting "Nutritionally Feeding Our Child's Education" 7:00 p.m. at the Family Learning Center, 797 E Twp Rd 201, Tiffin. Contact Paula Frey at 419-294-3445 for more information.
- Sept. 23 WCBMR/DD Board Mtg., 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 8 *Parent/Teacher Conference School Closed*
- Oct. 11 *Columbus Day School & Industries Closed*
- Oct. 18 Angeline Industries Board Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- Oct. 19 Parent Educational Meeting "Autism & ADHD" 7:00 p.m. at the Family Learning Center, 797 E Twp Rd 201, Tiffin. Contact Paula Frey at 419-294-3445 for more information.
- Oct. 21 WCBMR/DD Board Mtg., 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 6 ARC Chicken BBQ, 4:30-6:00 p.m. at Angeline School
- Nov. 11 *Veterans Day School & Industries Closed*
- Nov. 16 Parent Education Meeting "All About Reading" 7:00 p.m. at the Family Learning Center, 797 E Twp Rd 201, Tiffin. Contact Paula Frey at 419-294-3445 for more information.
- Nov. 18 WCBMR/DD Board Mtg., 7:30 p.m. (Will include a Public Hearing of Visitors regarding the proposed 2005 Annual Action Plan.)
- Nov. 25 & 26 *Thanksgiving Break School & Industries Closed*
- Dec. 7 Parent Educational Meeting "Holiday Make-It/Take-It" 7:00 p.m. at the Family Learning Center, 797 E Twp Rd 201, Tiffin. Contact Paula Frey at 419-294-3445 for more information.
- Dec. 13 Angeline Industries Board Mtg., 5:30 p.m.

Campbell Soup Labels and Box Tops for Education

The Angeline school-age classroom is collecting Campbell Soup labels and Betty Crocker Box Tops for Education. If you would like to collect and donate these, please drop them off in the Angeline front office. Funds collected will be used for educational items in the school-age classroom. Thank you!

Shhhh. . .Railroad Crossing

Did you know that school buses are one of the safest forms of transportation in the nation? It's true! According to the National Safety Council, school buses are nearly 2,000 times safer than the family car. In a continuing effort to improve on this already impressive figure, National School Bus Safety Week will be held during the week of October 17-23, 2004.

This year's theme is "Shhhh. . .Railroad Crossing!"

Students and families - don't forget to show your appreciation to your bus driver in recognition of this national awareness week. School bus drivers are such a critical part of a successful school/program year.



Carey Patriots 4-H Club "On Tour" at Angeline

The Carey Patriots 4-H club combined their tour and community service project. The club made pillows for the preschool classes at Angeline during their last meeting as their community service project.

On Friday, July 23, the club toured Angeline where they were able to visit with school students as well as the adult employees of Angeline Industries. Club members had the pleasure of eating lunch with the preschoolers, listening to a story with them, playing on the new playground equipment, and presenting each student with the pillows that were hand made by the Patriots themselves.

"We all enjoyed the tour of Angeline and meeting the people there!" said the Carey Patriots.

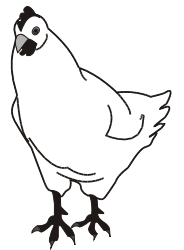
Family Support Services (FSS) Annual Report

Thirty-one families received Family Support Services during fiscal year 2004 (July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004). These services included respite care, adaptive equipment, special diet, counseling/education and home modifications. FSS funds can help Wyandot County families who provide care for a live-in member of their household with a developmental disability. If you are interested in learning more about Family Support Services, please contact Terri Long at 419-249-4901 or by email long@angeline.com.

Is Your Gift Caring for Others Who Need It?

If so, consider becoming a provider of Family Support Services and make a difference in lives of local families. For information about how to become a paid provider of family support contact Terri Long at (419) 294-4901 or long@angeline.com.

ARC/Angeline Annual Chicken BBQ



**November 6, 2004
4:30 - 6:00 p.m.**

"Con-Way CARES!"

Con-Way Cares is what their T-Shirts said, and you can believe it. On Sunday, August 22nd, employees of Con-Way Central Express (CCX) and their families painted, assembled picnic tables, and performed yard work here at Angeline School & Industries. CCX Manager, Paul Marsano, said, "This service project is one way to show that CCX and its employees care about our community." You don't have to convince us CCX. . . your actions speak volumes. Thank you!

CCX employees and family members included Peg & Jim Dolinger, Chuck Burmeister, Jeff Pell, Laura Richmond & daughters Angel & Heather, Barb & Terry Koehler & daughter Jessica, Nick & Deanna Oney with son Alec, and Paul Marsano.



"You're Hired! Success Knows No Limitations!"

US Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao has selected *"You're Hired! Success Knows No Limitations!"* as the official theme for October's National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

"The theme emphasizes one of President George W. Bush's top priorities, economic opportunity through job creation," said Secretary Chao. "It also builds upon the accomplishments of the President's *New Freedom Initiative* which has created many opportunities for persons with disabilities to be fully included in the 21st Century workforce."

The Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) specifically addresses policies that impact the employment of people with disabilities. It acts as a catalyst to stimulate new ideas about employment through research and development, policy analysis, grant awards, technical assistance and the promotion of effective business.

"People with disabilities are an untapped source of both capable employees and valued customers." said Roy Grizzard, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Disability Employment Policy (ODEP). "The theme *'You're Hired! Success Knows No Limitations!'* will help federal, state and local governments, advocacy groups and the business community plan events and programs throughout October's National Disability Employment Awareness Month that highlight the talents and skills of job seekers and working Americans who have disabilities."

Angeline Industries is pleased to take this opportunity to salute the following businesses and industry. Together, as "Partners in Employment," we gainfully employ over 80 Wyandot County citizens with developmental disabilities.

Blackhawk Automotive Plastics
Commercial Savings Bank
Dana Corporation
Edward Jones/Bill Aubry
Fairborn
Masonic Temple
Ohio Industrial for the Handicapped
Porcelain Products
The Print Shop
Todco Overhead Door
TransGlobal Inc
US Auto Care
Wyandot County Farm Service Center
Wyandot County Home Health
Mugsy's
Wyandot Manor
E D Systems Inc
Taco Bell
Steer Barn
Wyandot County Agricultural Society

City of Upper Sandusky
Crow Motor Sales
Diamond Roll-up Door
Elks BPOE #83
Guardian Industries
M-Tek, Inc.
Our Lady of Consolation
Shoot-A-Way
Tiffin License Bureau
Tower Automotive
United Church Homes
Wyandot County EMS
Wyandot County Skilled Nursing & Rehab
Wyandot County Recycling Center
Wendy's International
Comfort Inn
Marty's IGA
Courtesy Auto Mall
Colonial Laundry



RESOURCE CORNER . . .

4th Annual Adult Sibling Conference Scheduled

The 4th Annual Ohio Adult Sibling Conference will be held Friday and Saturday, November 5 & 6, 2004 in Columbus, Ohio at the Columbus Airport Marriot Hotel. Conference sessions will begin on Friday at 2:00 p.m. (registration) and will conclude Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Brothers and sisters of people with disabilities will be in the lives of their siblings longer than anyone. Adult siblings represent the next generation of caregivers, supporters and advocates for their brothers and sisters with disabilities. The purpose of this conference is to inform and support adult brothers and sisters of peoples with disabilities throughout the state. Conference topics will include: Advocacy, Approaching Parents (on future care and planning issues), Establishing Sibling Credibility (with disability, medical and other "system" professionals), Independent Living, Medicaid, Guardianship & Life Planning, Public Policy, Self-Determination, Sharing Sibling Stories and "System Perspectives-Understanding Service & Support Coordination."

Featured speakers for the 2004 conference are Hamilton County Board of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities (MR/DD) Superintendent, Cheryl Phipps; Marca Bristo, President and CEO of Access Living, Chicago, Illinois as well as Doreen Croser, Executive Director of the American Association on Mental Retardation (AAMR).

Registration for the conference is \$75/person and includes meals and materials. Financial assistance may be available by contacting local (Ohio) County Boards of MR/DD. Anyone interested in registering may do so by visiting the Ohio SIBS web site at www.ohiosibs.org or by calling Tom Fish, director of family and employment services at the Ohio State University Nisonger Center, 614-292-7550.

For hotel accommodations, please call the Marriot directly at 614-475-7551 or toll-free 800-228-9290 and ask for the special room rate reserved for the Ohio SIBS Adult Sibling Conference.

MRDD Awareness

Visit www.mrddawareness.com for up to date information about the struggle for the future of Ohio's MRDD system. This website keeps parents, caregivers and advocates informed about the unfulfilled promises of HB 94.

Back to School Season May Also Mean Allergy Season . . .

If you suffer from seasonal allergies, check out www.pollen.com for accurate allergy forecasts for the entire US including your own neighborhood.

The Angeline Endowment Fund

Interested in making a gift that will continue to give to your community well into the future? Consider a gift to the Angeline Endowment Fund.

While gifts of cash or check are certainly the most common, the Angeline Endowment Fund can accept donations in nearly any form that one might consider such as stock, insurance, real estate and certain tangible personal property. And don't forget our Land & Sea vehicle donation/auction program.

The Angeline Endowment Fund is an operating endowment fund of the Wyandot County Community Foundation, which is an affiliated fund of the Toledo Community Foundation. For more information call the Angeline office at (419) 294-4901 or email info@angline.com.



Notices of Delays and Closings

In the event of delays or closings, Angeline School & Industries will make every effort to have the announcement made by 6:30 a.m. on the following stations: WYNT 95.FM, WBCO 92.7 FM, WFIN 1330 AM, WKXA 100.5 FM, WXML 90.1 FM, WMRN 106.7 FM and WTOL Channel 11 Toledo.

On days we experience inclement weather, typically fog or snow, families are asked to listen to the radio or watch TV for information rather than calling Angeline directly. Angeline staff are **EXTRA** busy on those days making phone calls, checking road and weather conditions, and/or clearing snow. Certainly in an emergency, please do not hesitate to call our Transportation Services office at 419-294-4488.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation with delays and closings.

PLEASE . . . THANK YOU . . . YOU'RE WELCOME . . .

Our Teachers Always Say, "Don't Forget Your Please and Thank You."

PLEASE . . .

We are always interested in finding ways to stretch the funds that local taxpayers generously entrust to us. Below you will find a list of needed items that will help us in this regard. If you have any of these items and would like to make a donation, please do not hesitate to contact me, Todd Dilley, at (419) 294-4901 or email dilley@angeline.com Thank You!

Local businesses...Are you in the process of upgrading your current office/reception furniture?

Please keep us in mind.

We may be able to use what you replace.

Other wish list items include:

- Working computers with monitors and CD drives for use by adults in our workshop
- Educational software and computer games for recreation/leisure activities
- Picture frames for wall hangings, preferably 8x10 or larger

THANK YOU . . .

Angeline School & Industries wishes to express our sincere thanks to those community members and organizations that so generously make donations and support our programs and services with their gifts!

June - August 2004 Donations

Angeline Endowment Fund: \$30.00

Gifts & Donations: \$1,341.91

YOU'RE WELCOME . . .

Angeline School & Industries is a local program supported by this community, for this community's citizens. Therefore, this community is always welcome here. If you are interested in a tour of our program and facilities, please call or stop by.

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