

Angeline Newsline

Angeline School & Industries

Summer
2005

(Wyandot County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities)

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

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The Magic of Learning

The involvement of parents is critical in a child's language development. "Research shows language begins the day we are born and with encouragement develops every day after that. The interactions between a child and his parents are crucial to brain development." Scholastic Parent & Child, August-September 1998.

Two sessions of "The Magic of Learning" were offered to families during the 2004/05 school year. The program involved children birth to three years of age and their parents in language enrichment activities.

Jill Walton, Speech Therapist, and Marsha Rump, Early Intervention Specialist, were the hosts for this "Magic of Learning." Jill provided parents with specific language development activities that they can do with their children to enhance communication. The families listened to stories, learned finger plays and songs, made toys and enjoyed light refreshments together. The "Magic of Learning" focused on the importance of a language rich environment and provided parents with ideas to promote language through daily activities.

The value of this innovative approach to language development was evident in the statements we heard from several of the families who attended. For example...

- "I learned different ways to encourage Jessie to talk."
- "I was amazed at the different toys I can make for Ian from ordinary household items."
- "The staff at Angeline truly care about the children and their families."

While the kind words about our staff are much appreciated, we want to stress just how important parents and families are in the development of language skills in young children. To learn more about the importance of early childhood language development and the "Magic of Learning," you are encouraged to contact the Early Intervention Services program located at Angeline School.



Preschool Graduation

On Tuesday evening, May 24, Angeline's preschool classes held their annual program and graduation. This year's graduates include Logan Cantiberry, Mason Pickett, Dana Worst, Kenzie Ritter, Michelle Skaggs, Wyatt Ferst and Konnor Holloway from the Monday/Wednesday class and Dylan Ham and Destiny Allison from the Tuesday/Thursday class. Good luck to our graduates as they move on to Kindergarten next year!

From the Desk of the Superintendent

I want to share with you two really terrific events that occurred since the last issue of this newsletter was published in March.

On April 9th we held the 13th Annual Angeline Auction. It was a terrific success. The weather was beautiful; our auction chairperson (Lyneen Reinschell, Operations Manager) and her planning committee were perfectly prepared; local citizens and businesses donated literally hundreds of sale items; the Walton Auction Company volunteered their EXCELLENT auctioneer services for the 11th consecutive year; and last but certainly not least "auction goers" from all over came out in large numbers to support the auction, and therefore our programs and services. The net proceeds of this event totaled over \$7,750.

On May 5th and 6th the Wyandot County Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) held its rummage sale fundraiser in the gymnasium at Angeline. Thanks to Thrivent Financial Services, a division of The Lutheran Brotherhood, for the \$500 "match" to the sales' proceeds, this annual event raised over \$2,100 for ARC activities.

For those of you who may not know, the Wyandot County ARC is much like Angeline's "parent-teacher" organization. The group has always been very generous in the support of our programs and services, to include items such as the purchase of classroom equipment/materials, funding swimming lessons for our students, and providing an annual trip to Cedar Point . . . just to name a few.

While we are certainly proud of these events and appreciate the funds that they raise, I point them out to you so that you are aware of the time, effort, care, and volunteerism that our fellow citizens give so freely to this community's citizens with developmental disabilities. On behalf of the board, our staff, and the individuals/families we serve, I want to assure you that this generosity does not go unnoticed or unappreciated.

I just don't think we can say thank you to our community enough...so as always, THANK YOU for your support of the programs and services we provide to Wyandot County citizens with developmental disabilities and their families.

Have a terrific and SAFE summer!

Todd Dille
Superintendent

Please note...If you are a parent/family member interested in becoming involved with the ARC, simply contact the Angeline Office at (419) 294-4901 and we would be happy to get you connected.

Packaged with Pride by Angeline Industries

"Packaged with Pride by Angeline Industries" is not only the wording on the label, it is a statement about the attitude and enthusiasm that the client-employees of Angeline Industries bring to the work we do for one of our newest partners-in-employment, Mueller Plastics Corporation of Upper Sandusky.

"With high demands on our assembly process, we decided to investigate the possibilities of outsourcing some of this work to



a v o i d increasing in-house labor on a temporary basis to fulfill our production requirements on a month to month basis,"

stated Deb Morris, Scheduling/QC Manager and Jeff Baldy, Plant Manager of the Mueller Plastics Corporation.

When asked what made Mueller Plastics decide to become an Angeline Industries partner-in-employment, the two went on to say, "Angeline Industries was chosen for a couple of reasons, location being very favorable and after visiting the Angeline facility it was evident that their abilities appeared more than adequate to help Mueller Plastics meet our demand. Their abilities included qualified supervision, possessing a sense of urgency, and being quality minded and paying attention to detail as dictated by the Mueller Plastics quality control (QC) department. The supervision at Angeline Industries has been very inquisitive when there are variances to the parameters set by Mueller's QC department. Angeline Industries also provides transportation to pick up the components from Mueller and deliver the assembled product in a timely fashion when completed."

For more information about becoming an Angeline Industries partner-in-

employment, including a free job/work cost quote, contact Lyneen Reinschell, Operations Manager at (419) 294-4488 or at industries@angeline.com via email.



RESOURCE CORNER . . .

Meet the Medicare Modernization Act

A new prescription drug plan is in the works as a result of the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003.

The goal of the act is to make prescription drugs more affordable for the elderly, disabled and poor. For people in the MR/DD system who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare, this means Medicare will start paying for their prescriptions beginning Jan. 1, 2006. This provision is often referred to as Medicare Part D.

People who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid are called "dual eligibles." People in this category are the poor, elderly and non-elderly disabled.

For the developmentally disabled population in Ohio, "dual eligibles" would include nearly everyone who lives in an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR), people receiving Home and Community Based Waiver Services and adults receiving SSI or SSDI.

The Ohio Department of MR/DD wants to help everyone prepare for this change in coverage and will be publishing frequent updates about the new Medicare law and how it will affect people with disabilities, program administrators throughout the MR/DD system and families. As events occur that readers need to be aware of, ODMR/DD will publish them.

To access this information on your own, visit the ODMR/DD website at <http://odmrdd.state.oh.us>

Vail Enclosed Bed Systems Recalled

US Marshals seized three types of beds from a Toledo Ohio company that federal regulators blamed for seven deaths. The Food and Drug Administration said it was aware of about 30 people who were entrapped by the Vail Enclosed Bed Systems made by Vail Products Inc. "Use of these systems poses a public health risk because patients can become entrapped and suffocate, resulting in severe neurological damage or death," the FDA said in a statement. The FDA advises consumers to stop using Vail 500, 1000 and 2000 Enclosed Bed Systems until they receive additional instructions from Vail Products. It is suggested that providers inventory their beds to identify if they are currently using any of these Vail beds.

Here are links to additional information:

- www.cnn.com/2005/HEALTH/03/22/fda.beds.reut/
- www.toledoblade.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20050323/NEWS32/503230412
- www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/ANSWERS/2005/ANS01347.html

Ohio Autism Coalition Launches Online Resource Database

The Ohio Autism Coalition has developed an online services directory. The online directory lists a variety of services available for persons with autism. The web address for the directory is www.autismohio.org.



Retiring!

On March 31, Stan Swihart, Angeline Industries Bookkeeper, retired after 15 years of service. Presenting Stan with his retirement gift from the Angeline Industries' employees are Donna Smalley, Elaine Snyder, James Stone and Brent Hemmerly.



Seven staff members of Angeline School & Industries were recognized recently during a staff “in-service day” where they were presented certificates by Superintendent Todd Dilley for their continued years of service. Front Row: Nancy Karcher, 20 years; Brenda Sheldon, 25 years; Gisela Hunt, 20 years; Stan Swihart, 15 years; Back Row: Denise Griffin, 10 years, Wes Ferguson, 10 years; Natalie Frey, 5 years; and Dilley.



Easter Egg Hunt - Thank you to the Tots to Teens Mothers Club for again sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt for our Early Intervention, Preschool and School Age students. The Club also baked cupcakes for the adults in our program.



Flamingos - Preschoolers, Mason Ritter Dylan Ham, Isaiah Washburn and Donald Ellis ride the Pink Flamingos into the sunset. Thank you to the employees of Liqui-Box for once again generously donating to Wyandot County Relay for Life... which by the way landed this flock of birds in our front yard!

Joyce Orians, volunteer, is shown playing the piano for individuals in the Adult Activities Program. Thank you Joyce for choosing to share your time and your wonderful talent with us.



Therese Barron and Ron Patrick were recognized for perfect attendance throughout the year.



Dr. Betty Lok of Mid Ohio Chiropractic, pictured here with Jim Coppler on the Angeline Industries workshop floor, volunteered her time to evaluate the production area regarding proper seating and positioning for the adult client-employees who work here on a daily basis.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 6 Program Closed
June 13 Program Closed
June 16 Wyandot County MRDD Board Meeting -
7:30 p.m.
June 20 Program Closed
June 24 -26 Special Olympics Summer Games,
Jesse Owens Stadium, OSU Columbus
June 27 Program Closed
July 4 Independence Day Holiday - Program
Closed
July 5-8, 12-15, 19-22, 26-29 Angeline School
Summer Program
July 11 Program Closed
July 18 Program Closed
July 18 Angeline Industries Board Meeting -
5:30 p.m.
July 25 Program Closed
August 1 Program Closed
August 8 Program Closed
August 15 Program Closed
August 18 Wyandot County MRDD Board Meeting -
7:30 p.m.
August 22 Angeline School Teachers' Work Day
August 22 Angeline Industries Adult Summer Picnic
Harrison Smith Park
August 23 Angeline School/Industries Staff In-
Service - Industries Closed
August 24 First Day of School - WELCOME
STUDENTS!

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.

Major Outstanding Incidents (MOIs) of the Month

February 2005

Lyneen Reinschell, Operations/Production Manager, was selected for the care and compassion she demonstrates on behalf of our program whenever an individual, family, or staff member suffers the loss of a loved one.

March 2005

Joy Schade, Habilitation Specialist, was nominated for volunteering to make the occasional Angeline Industries work product delivery to Carey, Ohio where Joy is a resident. This saves time and money for the Industries by not having to send a delivery truck and driver.

April 2005

Don Smalley and David Coppler share this recognition for April. Bus driver Denny Pahl stated, "These two guys go above and beyond on the bus each day. They are always offering their assistance to other riders without ever being asked to do so. They help others just to be nice."

One Person's Trash is Another's Treasure?

Wyandot County's Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) held its annual rummage sale on May 5 and 6 in the Angeline Gym. Thank you to the fine folks of Thrivent Financial Services (The Lutheran Brotherhood) for the cash "match" donation of \$500. In addition, members of the local group including Gladys Von Stein, Jackie Graeser, Bev Robertson, Trudy Bayes, and Wanda Straub were very helpful with setting up/working the sale and providing baked goods. Thank you to Terri Long, chairperson, and her committee of "tireless" volunteers for organizing this annual event!

Special Olympics State Summer Games Right Around the Corner

Athletes from Wyandot County Special Olympics, as well as athletes from all over the great state of Ohio, are preparing for this year's Summer Games. Our local team recently competed in the regional Shelby Relays, which is the qualifying event for the state Summer Games in June. All 22 of our athletes qualified for the state-wide games to be held June 24-26 on the campus of the Ohio State University in Columbus. The track and field events will be at the Jesse Owens complex.

As a footnote since our last newsletter issue, the Angeline Indians basketball team finished the 2005 season with an above .500 record. In tournament play they were 1-1, knocking off Richland County in the first round but falling to Henry County, who won the State Championship, in the second round. Thanks for a great season!

On May 20, the 22nd Annual Wyandot County Special Olympics 5K Run/2 Mile Walk started and finished at the Upper Sandusky High School. A total of 61 runners and 100 walkers took part in this year's race. Overall winners in the 5K Run were: Doug Sturgeon and Megan Kraus, both of Upper Sandusky.

This annual event to benefit Wyandot County Special Olympics is co-sponsored by Commercial Savings Bank and McDonald's of Upper Sandusky. In addition to our sponsors, we thank the many local businesses and individuals who donate door prizes, as well as all of the volunteers who help make "race day" go so smoothly.

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

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

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!

Wish list items include:

- Campbell Soup Labels and Betty Crocker Box Tops for School-Age Classroom
- Small Round Conference Table and Chairs
- Gently Used Office Reception-Area Furniture

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!

March - May 2005 Donations

Angeline Endowment Fund: \$1,145.00
Gifts & Donations: \$790.00

YOU'RE WELCOME . . .

Angeline School & Industries is a local program supported by this community, for this community's citizens. Therefore, members of the community are always welcome here. If you are interested in a tour of our program and facilities, please don't hesitate to call or stop by.

Angeline Newslines

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