

## Community Development Center

# In and Around the CDC

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Winter Newsletter 2016

## The Children's Center For Autism





The Children's Center for Autism is located in the Marshall County Child Development Center in Lewisburg. The Center will open on February 15, 2016.

The Children's Center for Autism (CCA) held an Open House on Friday, December 11, 2015. Anita Teague, Executive Director of the Community Development Center, was on hand to greet visitors and talk about the CCA's mission and goals. Several community members toured the facility and donations have continued to pour in for the new program, thanks in part to the advertised Open House and an earlier article about the Autism Center in the Marshall County Tribune.

Anita Teague and Teresa Winnette met with Marshall County Special Education staff to discuss the new autism therapy center and opportunities for collaboration and partnership.

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Wark Your Calendar		
New Year's Day	January 1	
Martin Luther King Day	January 18	
CDC Governing Board	January 28	
Chinese New Year	February 8	
Ash Wednesday	February 10	
Daylight Savings Time	March 13	
St Patrick's Day	March 17	
Easter	March 27	



What's Happening?

CCA Opening
SAMM
Welcome to the Team!
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The CDC Administration team, Program Managers, and Supervisors met on Friday, November 13, 2015 at 9:00 am in the CDC Board Room to discuss the agency's present status and direction and what we need to focus on for the future. Anita Teague, Executive Director opened the meeting. Presentations on upcoming budget revisions, benefits' updates, and proposed Department of Labor (DOL) changes were discussed. After a light lunch, the group shared in a team-building exercise, which proved to be enlightening and fun.



### Welcome!

CDC welcomes our new Business Manager, Robert "Bob" Jacobi, to the Administration team. Bob has experience in budgeting, accounting, and strategic planning. He serves his new position with integrity and a dedication to his work. In his spare time, Bob is an enthusiastic livestock producer.



# Lincoln County Child Development Center



The Lincoln County Child Development Center was very busy with two fundraisers held during the quarter. Candyland, a new event featured during the Host of Christmas Past, gave children an opportunity for lots of fun activities. Candyland featured face painting, reindeer corn hole, cupcake decorating, an Elsa and Olaf photo booth and much, much more!



**Breakfast with Santa** 

Benefiting the Child Development Center

Saturday, December 5, 2015
At the
Lincoln County High School
8:00-11:00AM
Tickets \$5.00
Purchased at the door
includes breakfast and
entertainment.

Special Events:

Silent Auction \* Photos with Santa
Silent Auction \* Placemat Coloring
Bake Sale \* Ornament Making (\$1)

\* Ring Toss Game (\$1)

Toe Fishing Game (\$2) \* Snow Man
Toss (\$1) \* Reindeer Food (\$1)

\* Face Painting (\$1)

\* And Much Morel

Children must be accompaned by an adult

\* Professional Photographer available

ALL CHILDREN WILL GET TO SEE SANTA!

> Performances by : Jennifer Jeter

> > Just for Clicks LCHS Choir

For more information, contact the Child Development Center at 931-408-0337 or 931-684-8681 The big man in the big red suit was present at this year's annual *Breakfast with Santa* to greet the children and have their pictures taken. The event also featured ice fishing, snowman bean bag toss, ornament decorating, a bake sale, silent auction and more. Several local performers, including the LCHS Choir, cloggers, gymnasts, and dancers entertained the crowd.

The Bedford County Child Development Center's Christmas party was a great success again this year! Children and their families gathered with CDC staff on Thursday, December 10, 2015 to celebrate the holiday season. Each child was able to sit on Santa's lap and receive a special gift. A big thank you goes to Fairlane Church of Christ for the use of their facilities and to Domino's Pizza, Shelbyville for their donation of a wonderful meal!



# Family Support Walk-N-Roll





Annie-Grace and Elle, (above) both of Bedford County, became instant friends as they took off to walk together. We were excited to have Mary, Zachary, and Randall Vaughn (far right), also of Bedford County, join us this year. The Walk takes place across the street from the CDC offices in Shelbyville.

The weather was unpredictable for the Annual Family Support Walk-N-Roll on November 7, 2015. It kept some families at home, but an excited group of 32 came out to show support for the program! Fellowship, a little walking, and lots of snacks and door prizes were shared by all! The event raised \$600 to assist those on the waiting list and to help administer the FS program.













NOW is a great time to clean out those closets and garages of unwanted items. These treasures can be brought to the CDC at 111 Eaglette Way. Local Council member Debbie Burton and FS volunteer Pearl Enloe (above) are ready to help prepare for the annual sale.

## Family Support Annual Yard Sale

Saturday, April 16th, 7 am to 2 pm International House of Prayer 865 Union Street, Shelbyville

Donations accepted until sale date.

## ISC of CDC



## Congratulations!

The Linda Maurer Award is given annually by the TN Alliance of Support Coordinators (TASC) to ISCs who demonstrate excellence and best practice in the field of independent support coordination services for persons with intellectual disabilities.

This year, CDC employee Holly Shadix (left) was chosen as the Middle Region TN ISC winner and CDC's Nycole Pinard (right) was recognized as the runner up.



The ISC program visited the *Escape Game* in Nashville for their annual holiday get together. The ISC program staff broke up into 3 groups and each was assigned a special room. Escaping from their room required teamwork, patience, and group fortitude as teams were led from clue to clue to achieve their goal. Only one group of the three escaped the room in the allotted 60 minutes. Following this great adventure, everyone went to Rafferty's for a well deserved lunch and time to visit.





The ISC Shelbyville Office had a wonderful Advisory Board Gathering on October 23rd.

Dental Health was this year's topic at the Halloween-themed Advisory Board meeting. Guest speaker Dr. Koonce spoke about taking care of your teeth, mouth, and gums and demonstrated the proper way to brush your teeth.

Participants enjoyed Bingo and made a Halloween themed craft. Lunch with chili and various soups was served. Everyone had a great time.



Jim Singleton	Jan 5
Jennifer Williams	Jan 22
Rachel Rudolf	Jan 28
Sandra Markley	Feb 6
Bob Jacobi	Feb 16
Marie Blair	Feb 21
Melinda Black	Mar 6
Cindy Hatchett	Mar 18
Sue Long	Mar 30



Teresa Winnette	19 Years
Taffe Cunningham	15 Years
Lori Wade	11 Years
Kristen Quinn	5 Years
Nycole Pinard	4 Years
MaRandi Mitchell	1 Year





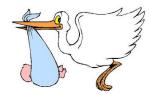
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#### Thank You!

The Civitan Club of Shelbyville gave a most generous donation to Bedford County Child Development Center to assist in purchasing Christmas gifts for the children in the BEI program. Stephanie Amos (right), Center Manager, accepts the check from Dianna Stokes, of the Civitan Club.

The staff from TRIAD (the Treatment and Research Institute for Autism Spectrum Disorders) of Vanderbilt will tour MEI, LEI, and GEI facilities in February as they consider expanding the teletherapy program in 2016 - 2017. The original 2015 - 2016 grant was expanded to increase the number of children served and has been very successful.



On December 8, 2015 MaRandi Mitchell with the Child Development Center delivered a precious baby girl. Addie Jo entered the word weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz. Both Mom and baby are doing well!

### Community Development Center's Mission Statement

Providing supports and services to children, families and individuals with disabilities while addressing the health and well-being of all persons in the communities in which we serve.





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