

## ISC of CDC'S Christmas Open House



Columbia ISC Staff

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# December 2016

The Columbia ISC office celebrated its Annual Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at the Columbia ISC office. Guests were greeted at the door for pictures at the special Christmas photo stop then enjoyed cookies, coffee and hot chocolate in the conference room with holiday music and time to chat and visit with friends. This year, everyone was invited to compete in the Ugly Sweater Contest with a chance to win a special prize. As they left, guests received a gift from their ISC, a Christmas card with their very own photo attached. Thanks to everyone who attended and made our Christmas holiday bright!



Bradley Gower, Jerry Foster, Terry McDonald

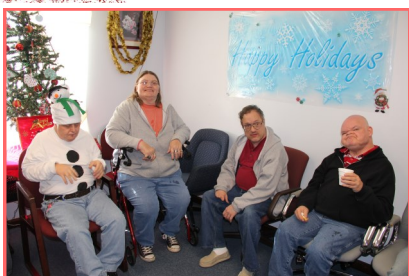


Dwight Bishop



F: Doug Young, Ray Kelley

B: Ronald Beard, John Lindsay, Fred Brown



Andrew Monday, Doug Young, Ray Kelley



Bobby Martin, Laurie Coleman, Andrew Monday, Betty Chunn, Elizabeth Brown



Tommy Burgett, Betty Chunn, Paul Taylor, Ronald Beard



Tommy Sanders

~Thanks to everyone who took the time and effort to participate in the ugly Sweater Contest. You all looked amazing~

*Welcome*

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## Shelbyville Christmas Open House



The ISC Shelbyville ISC office celebrated its annual Christmas Open House on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Guests were given the option to have their photos taken by the Christmas tree with a variety of Christmas props. ISCs served Christmas cookies, hot chocolate and coffee while guests listened to holiday music and visited with friends. As everyone left, they were given a special gift from their ISC. Thanks to everyone who attended and made our Christmas holiday bright!



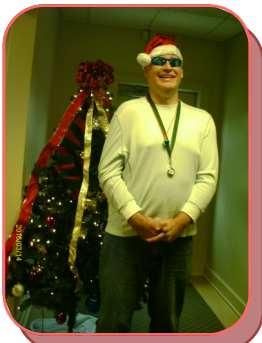
D'Angelo Brown



Shelbyville ISC Staff



David Hicks



Bob Williams



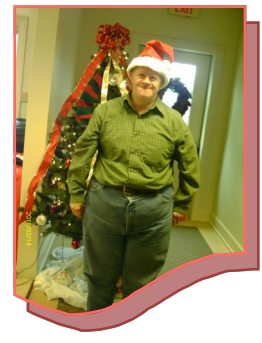
Jamie Reccord



Larry Jones



Scott  
Cone



Stephen Nichols



James Presley  
arriving at the  
party



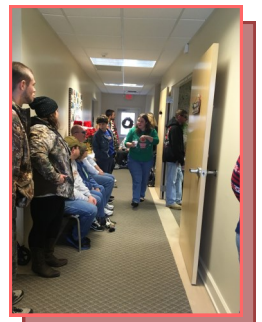
ISC: Shelly Gray  
Bobby Dickson



Eddie Childress  
and Dave  
Garrett



Charles Bingham



ISC Supervisor  
Heather Brown  
passing out  
treats





## **Ugliest Christmas Sweater Contest**



The winner of the Columbia Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest is.....

**BOBBI TIDWELL**



From everyone at the  
Columbia CDC office  
We would like to say  
Thank you to everyone  
who participated in the  
Ugly Sweater Contest.

ISC : Taffe Cunningham

## **Special Recognition Winners for Ugly Sweater Contest**



Rhonda Green presented Roger Harwell with a certificate for his originality and creativeness in the Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest.

## **A Christmas Tradition between friends**

Two old friends, Kenneth and Kathy, met for their traditional Christmas lunch recently in Shelbyville to share lunch, exchange gifts and generally to chat about old times. Visits happen through the year for other holidays, birthdays and "just because" but Christmas is always special. Thanks to Jeff Rich and TFS for helping to keep our friendship close!





## December Training Personal Outcome Measures Refresher

Both CDC ISC offices came together on December 22nd for a POM Refresher training provided by DIDD Central Office, staff, Courtney Kelly and Latrese Johnson. The training was held in Columbia at the Maury County Health Dept.



~ Columbia/Shelbyville Staff enjoying the POM Training ~



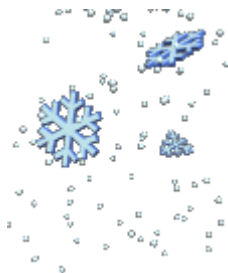
Courtney Kelly ~  
(DIDD Central Office Staff)



Kelly Nichols ~ Columbia ISC



Shelly Gray ~  
Shelbyville ISC






 HOLIDAY  
PARTY!

## Tullahoma Skills Christmas Party


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PARTY!

It's the most wonderful time of year, especially when it comes to parties and gifts. This year, Skills Development Services in Tullahoma had double the fun with two Christmas events. On December 14th, Skills was visited by representatives from the Tullahoma Housing Authority who donated gifts to everyone who attends the center. Skills thanked them for their continued generosity by presenting them with an extra-large thank you card signed by everyone.

Then, on December 20th, Skills had their facility Christmas party, where everyone exchanged gifts and spent some time with Santa. Everyone got into the holiday spirit and had a great time with friends!



Eddy Driver



Patricia Travis



Tammy Medley



And to all a good night



Bob Williams



James Presley



Christie "Tippy" Pittman



Party Fun!!



David Hicks thanking Skills staff for his gift.

## CDC's Annual Door Decorating Contest

Every year at Christmas, the Community Development Center holds an office door decorating contest. This year, we had 6 entries to choose from and the winner of the 2016 Door Decorating Contest was Holly Shadix with a "Grinch Who Stole Christmas" theme. Holly, who also won this contest last year, was presented with a certificate and prize. Congratulations to Holly for a creative job well done and thanks to all of the entries.



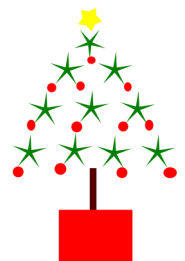
The Winner of the CDC  
Decorate your Door  
Contest is  
Holly Shadix

Anita Teague (Director)  
presenting Holly Shadix  
with her winning  
certificate



## Musical Gifts

Members of New Life TN in Winchester shared gifts in a unique way this year- with a musical theme. As the music played, the gifts where passed along and when the music stopped, you had your gift!



Theresa Lewis proudly displays her  
Christmas gift, a new lunch box.

ISC: Jennifer Williams from the Shelbyville office





## Wishes Granted

Paulette Click and her mother recently received a special “gift” for the holidays- a grant through the USDA Rural Development Grant Loan program.

Paulette and her mother, Ocie Miller have needed some repair work completed in their kitchen to ensure safe access for both in their everyday routines. After seeing an article in Open Line last December about funds available to assist some homeowners through the

USDA Rural Development, Paulette’s ISC, Shelly Gray, started the process by requesting information and sharing this with the family. Shelly then assisted the family as the process moved through paperwork and visits by the contractors. Finally, in November of this year, Paulette and Mrs. Miller received the confirmation of approval for their grant and the work to complete the repairs started. Paulette and her mother were able to move back into their home by Christmas. Shelly, worked very hard to help achieve this success, said, “this is one of the reasons I love my job!”



{Pictured Left to Right: Casey Matlock, of Matlock Renovations; Ocie Miller, homeowner/primary caregiver; Patti Gray, USDA-Rural Development, Area Specialist, Lawrenceburg; Paulette Click, client; Shelly Gray, ISC}

ISC: Shelly Gray

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### Dates to Remember 2017

Jan 16th Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Jan 28th Chinese New Year  
Feb 2nd Groundhog Day  
Feb 14th Valentines Day  
Feb 20th President's Day  
Feb 28th Mardi Gras  
Mar 1st Ash Wednesday  
Mar 12th Daylight Savings Time Starts  
Mar 17th ST. Patrick's Day  
Mar 20th Spring Equinox  
Apr 1st April Fool's Day

\*ISC offices will close on April 14th in observance of Good Friday\*

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