Troy Conn and Troy Handschuh from New Life/ Franklin County Adult Activity Center are currently going through the Vocational Rehabilitation assessment program. They have both gone through the interview process and have been told they are eligible for employment. They are waiting with excitement for their reports to be finished so they can proceed to the next step. Rachel Chisum, ISC
Diane Cobb is the newest member of the CDC team. Diane joined the ISC-Columbia office on February 3rd as the new Administrative Assistant. Originally from Ohio, Diane moved to Tennessee over twenty years ago and now resides in Columbia with her dad and L.E. Mae her puppy. She has two children Mike and Dawn. She enjoys fishing, jigsaw puzzles and spending time with family and friends. She stays very active with her 7 grandchildren Andy, Hunter, Macy, Nathan, Tyler, Bo and Zoeylyn and their participation in a variety of sports.

Birthday: August 31
Favorite Book: The Shack
Favorite Color: Green
Favorite Food: Broccoli Salad
Favorite Quote: “You never get a Second chance to make a First Impression”
Our dear friend, Marti Wright, age 50 of Columbia, Tennessee passed away on Sunday, January 26, 2014, at Maury Regional Hospital in Columbia, Tennessee. She was born on November 30, 1963 in Hammond, Indiana, but graced Middle Tennessee with her joyful smile for much of her adult life. Her sweet disposition and eagerness to share is missed by family and friends. Thoughts of Marti were best described by her friend, Brittany Thorpe, “Marti is a good friend to me, she makes my day better when she sees me sad she always gave me a hug and told me it’s going to be okay,” and she loved her sweet tea from McDonald’s. Marti will be sadly missed. Renee Reed, ISC

Tom Baxter passed away January 8, 2014 at the age of 73. He was a wonderful man. He loved everyone and was loved by everyone. He loved wearing his suspenders and would show everyone he saw. He used to carry a rubber where he would keep his coke money. When time, he would open it and point to his quarters, telling staff it was his "beer money". They would bring him a diet coke and he would point to it and say "beer" and smile. Tom enjoyed joking around with staff and friends. Tom also loved spending time with his brothers and their families. Tom was well known in his community and everywhere he went, he would see someone he knew and enjoyed stopping to talk and joke around with them. Tom touched the hearts and lives of many. He will be truly missed.
Rachel Chisum, ISC

Miss Kathy Jean Morgan, age 59, of Chapel Hill, TN, died Saturday, January 11, 2014. Kathy was born in Marshall County. She was a member of the Chapel Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church. By profession, Kathy worked in the lobby and was a processor at Goodwill Industries in Lewisburg. She was an active participant in the Tennessee Special Olympics. In the words of Rhonda Green, ISC “Kathy was a joy to know. She will be remembered as a person always willing to help others. Kathy loved her job and always did her best.”
Gayle Cooper’s straight talk leaves nothing to the imagination. She is trustworthy and dedicated, never wavering in her desire to do the right thing. Gayle lives with her elderly parents and has become their most reliable and attentive partner in ensuring the household runs as smoothly as possible. She is also her parents’ pride and joy. Her mother will quickly remind anyone to, “ask Gayle”. As a long-standing volunteer at NHC, (long-term nursing), she engages everyone in light-hearted banter when she lends a hand. She’s been volunteering for years and is sorely missed when absent. She was briefly sidelined last year after knee replacement surgery. Not to her own talk, sticking with physical therapy until she could continue her usual high profile routine in Columbia, TN. Gayle Cooper is a well known and conscientious friend and citizen.
Renee Reed, ISC.

Valuable Volunteer

Chad Davis is a very hard, dedicated warehouse worker at Store Opening Solutions in Tullahoma. He prepares to go to his Monday-Friday job position at SOS, each day, with a big smile on his face and a positive attitude. Chad is also very diligent about being on time. Some of Chad’s duties include cleaning and stocking shelves, and breaking down empty boxes. Chad is a “team player “ and stated he enjoys sharing break time with his coworkers. Chad loves his job!
Kristen Quinn, ISC.
Brenda and James Presley

Brenda and James recently celebrated their 11th year wedding anniversary and still seem like they are on their honeymoon. The couple was married on James’ birthday, so the day is extra special for them. James says it was a great birthday present that year, and every year since. Brenda and James say that their marriage has endured because they like to spend time together, especially for date night, and because they encourage and praise each other. Brenda says that James is her “protector,” a title of which James is proud to have.

Nycole Pinard, ISC

Danny Cowan and Dede Reed

Johnny and Karen have been a couple for over a year and are very much in love. For Christmas, Johnny surprised Karen with a beautiful promise ring. Now, they are ready to take the next step in their relationship, to have a home of their own. They are in the process of moving to their new apartment in Tullahoma. They are looking forward to decorating their new place as they move forward.

Kristen Quinn, ISC

Nancy Carraher and Michael Brock

Cheryl Sutherland and Jackie Owens

Brenda and James