

Under The Carroll Hills Umbrella



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Check out the video on our Facebook page documenting Greyson's success story in Early Intervention



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Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB) celebrated the 50th Anniversary of County Boards

The Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB) celebrated the 50th Anniversary of County Boards on October 24th. The theme was "ALWAYS THERE" and was celebrated at the Ohio State House in Columbus. The 88 County Boards of Ohio were given a small box to fill with newspaper articles, pictures, etc. from their county related to County Board Services to be placed in a time capsule. Lisa Erwin, Vicki Brumback and Karen Bross attended the event. Karen had the honor of sitting in on the 132nd General Assembly with others, honoring Ohio County Boards. A luncheon was served and tours of the state house were offered. Those in attendance were given an opportunity to talk with their state representatives while OACB staff interviewed and videoed people answering the question "What makes you happy?"





ALVAYS THERE

Matt Campbell Superintendent Remarks...

Wow, it is hard to believe another year is ending. I have been thinking, especially after Thanksgiving, about how many things I am thankful for this year. I am thankful for my wife as we celebrated 25 years of marriage this year! I am thankful for my family and friends. I am thankful

for my health. I am thankful I live in a country with so many freedoms especially the ability to worship without persecution. I am thankful for my number one stress relief hunting.

I am thankful for being the Superintendent of Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities. I have been given this honor and blessing to lead a great organization that helps so many in the community. I was recently asked if you were to tell someone in the community what the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities does what would you say. I will be honest I did not have a great answer because I tried to explain it in a technical way. I basically said we are required by Ohio Revised Code to provide services or fund services for those with developmental disabilities.

My answer now is so much more. The number one resource the Carroll County Board of DD has is our staff. The Board is made up of people who truly care about the Carroll County citizens with disabilities and integrating them into the community. We are responsible to make sure the public is aware of the abilities people have. We help children reach developmental milestones and succeed in school. We assist those transitioning into adulthood to obtain jobs, live in the community, pay rent, drive or secure transportation, develop friendships and maybe even get married.

The Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities use to be required by law to provide services to people with developmental disabilities. Now, we are required to be person centered, help people become self-advocates and ensure meaningful outcomes from the services received. The Carroll County Board is providing less services from County Board staff but we are ensuring the same amount or more services are being provided by paying for services from private providers. Since the Board is paying the private providers, individuals with disabilities have more options. Private providers have their own niche and Carroll County residents now have better services.

I am excited by the outcomes we have already seen and the anticipated outcomes. It is great that there are now 21 individuals working in the community thanks to the Community Employment Program. I am happy that the Help Me Grow Service Coordinator has a caseload of 31 children. I encourage you to check out our videos on Carroll Hills Programs Facebook page which document success stories for William in Community Employment and Greyson in Early Intervention. I want to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

<u>Carroll Hills Programs</u> Website: carrollhills.com

CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF DD IN NEED OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Substitute Teacher at Carroll Hills School. Must have a Bachelor's Degree and possess a sub certificate from ODE, experience in Special Education preferred, \$15 per hour. Please apply at Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities Office, 540 High Street NW, Carrollton.

Carroll Hills Council News

Carroll Hills Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the CCBDD Offices, 540 High Street NW, Carrollton and we are always looking for new ideas and welcome new members. The next meeting will be held on January 9, 2018 at 3:15 p.m. We invite and encourage parents, families and others interested in helping children and adults served by CCBDD to join the organization.

The membership drawing took place in November and we are happy to announce that Michele Rutledge

won the drawing. Congratulations Michele!

Council members elected officers at the November meeting.

2018 Carroll Hills Council Officers:

Diana Strader, President Michele Rutledge, Vice President, Bonnie Underwood, Secretary, JoAnn Hilliard, Treasurer.

Thank you to Cheryl Rohr for the years served as Vice President, we are very pleased she will continue to be an active member.



Michele Rutledge receiving her winnings from Diana Strader.



GOOD LIFE

It is the Season to be Mindful, Fa, Ia, Ia, Ia...
Wow! Another year is passing...

How did you rate on Santa's GOOD LIFE list?

Now is a GOOD time to use your GOOD LIFE tools to make someone's life more meaningful, joyful and valuable.

Take a walk in someone else's shoes.

Be mindful of the traumas others may have experienced.

Take that step forward to lend a listening ear, give from your heart, share with others, and lend a helping hand.

Take some time for yourself to reflect, relax and unwind. Value the gifts you bring to others and value the gifts others bring to you.



May this holiday season bring you and your family comfort and joy!



Carroll Hills School Has a New Director of Education

Ryan Buck, Director of Education Services

In November, I was hired as the new Director of Educational Services for the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities. I am very excited and proud of this humbling opportunity. For those of you that do not know me, I have been employed with the Board since August 2013. I have served in multiple capacities including a Developmental Specialist for our Early Intervention Program and a Preschool Intervention Specialist for our Preschool 2 classroom here at Carroll Hills School. We have great staff and we serve amazing students and families of Carroll County and I am looking forward for great things to come.

Our Early Intervention program is continuing to serve families in their home, and doing a great job coaching families on strategies to show great gains and improvements in a vast array of developmental areas. Our preschool program and school age programs are continued to be blessed with strong numbers of students and the creative things that are happening in the classrooms continue to amaze me. I am looking forward to the new year of 2018 to work with our staff in planning new and innovative things for our students and community. Have a great holiday and here is to a great 2018!



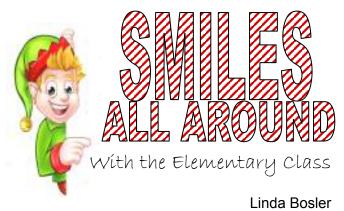


GOOD HEALTH HABITS

Kim Yeager, RN

Good health habits are an important way to help prevent flu and illness. It is important to model these behaviors and to teach, encourage and assist with these practices routinely.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are ill, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
- Stay home from work, school and errands when you are not well. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
- Cover your mouth and nose by coughing or sneezing into your sleeve to avoid spreading viruses by your hands and in the air.
- Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, handwashing is the most effective prevention in the spread of pathogens.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs will often spread when a
 person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his
 or her eyes, nose or mouth.
- Do all you can to stay healthy!





It was smiles all around when the elementary

class from Carroll Hills School traveled to Carroll Health Center for a visit with the residents.

Our students sat with the residents and provided friendly smiles and conversation as we made a patchwork Christmas ornament together. I think those present enjoyed the laughter and antics of our students and our students liked their visit with the "grandmas" and "grandpas".

This monthly program allows our children to give something of themselves to others and that is wonderful for all. As I observed the group and saw the comfort level of our students in this different environment, I realized that the residents in wheelchairs were nothing new to my students. The residents' physical conditions held no fear or apprehension for my class. In fact, I don't think they even noticed!

What an innocent blessing they were. I found myself wishing we were all that unconcerned with our differences and that free with our love. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the elementary class.



Holidays in Middle School



Nancy Boley

The middle school students have been busy preparing for the holiday season. On December 1st, we decorated the classroom Christmas tree and went caroling at Carroll Health Care Center. We have been enjoying holiday activities along with Christmas themed academics such as reading recipes and using math skills to purchase groceries. We have also been practicing our songs for the Carroll Hills School Christmas Program on December 20th. The students are very excited and I couldn't be more proud of them!









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What do I need to do before my disabled child reaches the age of 18?

Part 3: What else may my child benefit from?

 Contact the County Board to inquire whether your child has been deemed eligible to receive County Board Services. There is assessment and eligibility criteria requirements which needs completed as required by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.



- Once eligibility is established, you may request Service and Support Administration Services (SSA).
- If you have not requested to be on the waiting list for waiver services, now may be a good time to
 make that request. However, there is an eligibility process regarding waivers and waiting list placement.
- Let's look at all options available. If your 18 year old child has not graduated from High School, he/she is still able to attend High School until they reach the age of 22. If he/she has graduated, then it is time to look at employment services. If eligible to receive County Board Services, then contact the County Board Employment Specialist or ask your SSA for a list of Employment Specialists in your area. If not eligible for County Board Services, contact local Ohio Means Jobs Office, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (RSC), or Goodwill to assist in helping to find a job or to learn job skills.
- If unable to find employment, unable to work or do not wish to work then start getting involved in the community (clubs, organizations, volunteer, etc.) or talk with an SSA to see if he/she has any resources for you to explore.
 - * This was referenced in the Fall issue of the Under the Carroll Hills Umbrella. If you would like to receive Part 1 or 2 call JoAnn at 330-627-6555.



Employment News

Sabrina Seal

Sherry Craft has been hired as a part time bus aid at Harcatus Head Start in Carrollton. Sean Fenbers started job training at Pieces with Purpose two Saturdays per month.

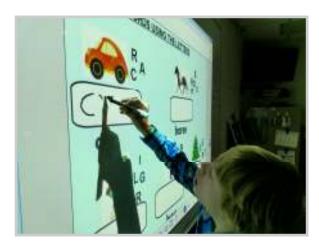
Mayle Homes began job coaching in November and will be providing services to individuals already employed or in job training through the Community Employment Program.



Ability Work

Community Employment Services of Carroll County provides persons with developmental disabilities job opportunities in the community that enhance their social, emotional and vocational needs. It is the goal of this department to enable each person who desires community job placement to develop to their fullest potential and to achieve a more independent and productive role in society. Community Employment staff are committed to the idea that the workers we represent can be qualified, competent employees in careers of their choosing according to their capabilities. For more information call 330-627-6555.





New SMART Board for Intermediate Classroom

Shelly Haught

The students were excited to see the addition of a SMART Board in our classroom. A SMART Board is a brand of interactive whiteboard which allows you to project an image

on the screen and then

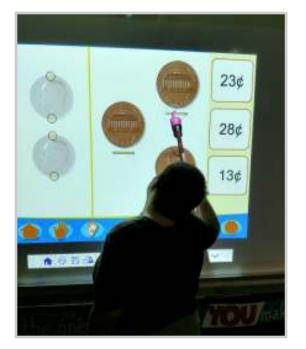
interact with it by writing on it or moving it around the screen using your fingers. The students are enjoying this new way of learning.

Each morning upon entering the classroom, "Today is....." is displayed on the SMART Board as we start our day. It is very helpful when determining the current day, the day before and what the next day will be.

The SMART Board can be used to practice a variety of academic skills. The students like to work on the Edmark Reading Program and The Survival Signs. We also use the board to learn letter identification and to arrange numbers in chronological order.

When asked what they liked best about the board, Shawn, 5th grade student said, "I like to do touch math and watch movies!" and 4th grade student, Jacob, said he enjoys counting coins on the SMART Board.

We have also used this new technology to display Christmas songs for the Christmas Program we will be performing in.



We have only began learning all the ways the SMART Board will benefit us and we are so excited to find out more.











I began employment at the Carroll County Board of DD in August of 2004 as a part-time employee, and then was hired full time in June 2007. It was after this that many of you journeyed with me as I battled a Stage 4 Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma diagnosis, 10 years later I am still here. I started my newest adventure with the CCBDD on November 30, 2017 as I began performing duties of the recently vacated Integration Specialist position. While my title remains Workshop Specialist, I have jumped right in with the scheduled outings and also created a few new ones. The biggest challenge will happen in January as I begin attending ISP meetings and create programs that will run during a typical day for individuals at the CCBDD site. If you have any new ideas, bring them to my attention, even if they are "outside the box", I will try my best to see the idea through with you. I am excited to continue serving with everyone.

Cocoa and Adult Coloring

The Carrollton library offers numerous community activities throughout each month to which our adult enrollees have been taking full advantage of. The adult coloring and cocoa has been a favorite so every other month CCBDD hosts the event and provides cocoa and cookies.



Carroll Hills Craft Show

The annual Carroll Hills Craft Show was held on November 4, 2017. Thank you to each vendor, shopper, staff and volunteer who helped make the event a success. Big thanks to Cheryl Rohr for once again organizing the whole thing, we couldn't do it without you. Becky (pictured) sold her beautiful crocheted afghans at the show and said, "I've sold more afghans this year than I ever have". Way to go Becky!



If you want to receive information regarding the 2018 Craft Show, call Cheryl 330-627-7651.



Shirley, Art, Bill and Gene enjoyed lunch at the Carroll County Senior Citizen's Friendship Center and then went on a tour of the Ashton House Museum on Thursday, December 12th. The museum was beautiful as it was decorated for the holiday season.

Holidays in the Community







Holiday
Giving

Everyone participated in making these cute gifts to pass out as they visited those in the local nursing homes for the holidays.



COOKIE BAKING

Bill wanted to try a new recipe for Corn Flake cookies. They were really good, thanks for sharing.











Wishing Heidi, Claudia, Alicia and Doug much joy and happiness as you begin a new chapter in your life. We will miss you!

We wish these former County Board employees the best as they begin their employment with recently privatized provider agency Carroll Hills Industries, Inc.



CARROLL HILLS INDUSTRIES, INC.



Carroll Hills Industries, Inc. officially privatized on January 01, 2018. The new location is 1182 Roswell Rd. NW., Carrollton, Ohio 44615. Privatizing simply means that Carroll Hills Industries will no longer be part of the Carroll County Board of DD, but will be a private standalone waiver provider agency.

Carroll Hills Industries core services will be:



Contract Work - Community Employment - Janitorial - Lawn Care - Shredding of Documents

Carroll Hills Industries, Inc. offers adults with Developmental Disabilities an opportunity to be gainfully employed using a Person-Centered approach. The goal of our program is to provide choices and support to adults with Developmental Disabilities, so they may face and overcome their challenges in an effort to live a meaningful and more self-determined life as a member in this community.

Edgar J. Barnett Jr., is the CEO of Carroll Hills Industries, Inc. and can be reached at 330-627-5524.

Camera shy: Jason, Sharon and Edgar



Welcome to our "Provider Corner".

Since we are all "Under the CCBDD Umbrella" we will spotlight one provider agency per future publications.





Countryview Manor is a home for 26 individuals nestled in the hills overlooking beautiful Carroll County. Our home, is an Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD) and has been family owned for over 30 years. We specialize in caring for those with both physical and developmental challenges. Our highly trained staff focuses on enriching our resident's lives by providing an atmosphere where the residents are empowered to make choices and encouraged to be as independent as possible.

Countryview Manor Offers:

Quiet, home-like country setting

Beautiful new building (11 years new)

Highly trained Nurses and Direct Care Staff 24 hours per day

In home activities and community outings

Quality day programming available through a private provider

Individualized teaching to increase our residents independence

Medical Director, Psychologist, Podiatrist, Dietician and Mental Health services available on site

Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapies

Transportation to and from medical appointments

Specialized positive behavior support

Laundry and housekeeping services

Delicious meals offered buffet style and specialized dietary services

Beautician and barber services available on site

We are accepting referrals; please contact Carol Stanley (SSD) at: Countryview Manor, 2193 Commerce Dr., Carrollton, Ohio 44615. Phone 330-627-6900, Fax 330-627-9036, Email cvmssd@frontier.com

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: countryviewmanoricfiid.com



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12/25-/17-1/1/18 - Christmas Break - Entire Program Closed

January

- 1/2/18 Entire Program Resumes
- 1/4/18 Away Basketball Game—Jefferson Co. 6PM
- 1/8/18 Home Basketball Game—Tuscarawas Co. 6PM
- 1/9/18 Carroll Hills Council meeting, CCBDD, 540 High St. 3:15 PM
- 1/9 /18 Home Basketball Game—Stepping Stone 6PM
- 1/10/18 Away Basketball Game—Stepping Stone 6PM (Dennison)
- 1/15/18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Entire Program Closed
- 1/16/18 Away Basketball Game—Belmont Co. 6:15PM
- 1/18/18 Home Basketball Game—Holmes Co. 11:15AM
- 1/22/18 Home Basketball Game—Jefferson Co. 6:30PM
- 1/23/18 Home Basketball Game—Belmont Co. 6:30PM
- 1/25/18 GAME NIGHT at Carrollton Library 5-7 PM (CCBDD Hosting)
- 1/30/18 Home Basketball Game—Guernsey Co. 6:15PM
- 2/5/18 Away Basketball Game—Tuscarawas County (TCC) 6:30PM
- 2/19/18 President's Day Entire Program Closed



Cathi, Latasha & Katie
Ugly Sweater Contest Winners

