

Under the Carroll Hills Umbrella

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SAND & STONE

A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey, they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, he wrote in the sand:

"TODAY MY BEST FRIEND SLAPPED ME IN THE FACE"

They kept on walking, until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but his friend saved him. After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone:

"TODAY MY BEST FRIEND SAVED MY LIFE"

The friend, who had slapped and saved his best friend, asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand, and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The other friend replied; "When someone hurts us, we should write it down in sand, where the winds of forgiveness can erase it away, but when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone, where no wind can ever erase it."

**LEARN TO WRITE YOUR HURTS IN THE SAND
AND TO CARVE YOUR BLESSINGS IN STONE.**

Author Unknown





Superintendent Matt Campbell

Growing Pain

Carroll County Board of MRDD is in the process of adding on to the Administration Building at 1182 Roswell Road NW, Carrollton. I completed a file review and found the grant process started as early as January 31, 2001. The addition project is officially called MRDD Project 694 and a signed contract exists for 2003 to 2004. The addition of approximately 2,000 square feet will be for 12 to 15 adult individuals and 4 staff currently receiving services at Carroll Hills Industries. Carroll Hills Industries (CHI) currently serves around 96 individuals and this grant was applied for to meet the need of additional space. The Carroll Hills Administration (CHA) building is owned by CHI and is rented by Carroll County Board of MRDD. Local match is a mixture of MRDD funds and CHI funds. Both boards unanimously voted to hire Harris Day Architecture for this project and have a signed contract as of May 4, 2007. Projected completion of project is one year from the signed contract. The grant money break down is as follows, Ohio Department of MRDD = \$225,984, Local match of \$56,496, for a total of \$282,480.

The project has been held up recently due to awaiting EPA approval of septic. It appears the septic will have to be updated at the cost of the Carroll County Board of MRDD. The addition is projected to consist of a large room for day habilitation activities such as cleaning, exercise, crafts, etc. It will also have handicap accessible bathrooms and shower. The existing kitchen area will be utilized for cooking programs. A laundry area will be added. The existing section will be renovated to meet American with Disabilities Act standards for handicap entrance doors. The renovation will also include moving Carroll Transit office closer to the garage and adding a firewall in the garage to protect the building as required by law. The existing training area will be moved to the expanded conference room. The existing offices will be changed to make room for separate offices for all staff as long as money allows.

Carroll Hills Graduation & Awards Ceremony

Tammy Maney, Director of Children Services

The annual graduation and awards ceremony for Carroll Hills School and Preschool was held in front of a full house in the school gymnasium on Thursday, May 31, at 1:00 p.m. This was an unusual year for the school as we had no school age graduates. There were, however, 21 preschool graduates who will be entering area kindergarten classes this coming school year.

The 2007 preschool graduates included: Adam Arbogast, Makenzy Burke, Destiney Cumberledge, Tommy Hibbits, Julie Ketchum, Kyle Miller, Bobby Rohrer, Jett Russell and Justina Welch, all from Carrollton; Tessa Gray, Jakob Norton, and Davair Williams of Malvern; Kaylee Hartshorne and Chelsea Hawk of Kensington; Faith Fletcher and Kaitlyn Mayle from Minerva; Brody Booth and Juan Navarro of Sherrodsville; Zachary Oboy from Bowerston; Tucker Reed of Dellroy; and Ryan Bland of Scio.

In addition to the preschool graduation ceremonies, annual individual achievement awards were presented to each preschool and school age student. These awards are designed to celebrate the many successes of the Carroll Hills School and Preschool students that were made throughout the school year.

Music for the ceremony was provided by the Melody Makers Bell Choir, which is comprised of enrollees from Carroll Hills School and Industries, and the Carroll Hills School Recorder Band. School and Preschool students also sang several songs appropriate to the occasion. All music was under the direction of the school's music teacher, Mrs. Jo Baugher.



Carroll Hills School Partners with LifeShare
LifeShare Community Blood Services Grant Program

Carroll Hills School partnered with LifeShare Community Blood Services sponsoring a blood drive fundraiser. LifeShare program is a great service to the community, and also, for every 25 people donating blood, Carroll Hills School Playground Fund received one \$500 grant.

Each blood donation helps up to four patients from our community who are in need of blood products to sustain or save their lives. At the same time, donations will assist the school in raising funds.

The program will be expanded in the next school year beginning June 1, 2007 and ending May 31, 2008. For every 25 donations collected on a cumulative basis during the program year, a \$500 grant will be awarded to the school.

Cheryl Rohr, Blood Drive Coordinator stated, "The next LifeShare blood drive will be held at Carroll Hills School on September 20th."

Carroll Hills School's Blood Drive Fundraiser Was A Success.

I would like to take this time to thank all of the participants of the recent Blood Drive held at Carroll Hills School on May 17, 2007. It was a great success. We met our quota of 25 units needed for the \$500.00 grant through Life Shares. We are currently looking at purchasing a modified swing for the playground, for our students that have physical disabilities. Without your time and generosity this may not have been possible.

With Sincere Appreciation,
 Cheryl Rohr
 Blood Drive Coordinator



Interesting Reading:

THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME

by Mark Haddon



I received this book as a gift, and as I started reading it I found I didn't want to put it down. I thought others of you may enjoy it too.

The best description of the book came from Entertainment Weekly:

"Haddon's book illuminates the way one mind works so precisely, so humanely, that it reads like both an acutely observed case study and an artful exploration of a different 'mystery'; the thoughts and feelings we share even with those very different from us."

The Story line: Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically gifted, autistic fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother. JoAnn Hilliard

COMING EVENTS

- July 3** - CHI 4th of July Picnic
- July 4** - Independence Day - Entire Program Closed
- August 23** - Teacher Inservice
- August 23** - CCBMR/DD Meeting, 5:30 pm at Carroll County Administration Offices.
- August 24** - Teacher Work Day
- August 27** - First Day of School
- September 3** - Labor Day - Entire Program Closed
- September 11** - Council Meeting - 4 PM at Carroll Hills School

Seminar/CEU's Schedule
 at Carroll Hills Administration Building

- Interviewing & Counseling Techniques**
 September 7,8,21,&22
- Principles of Behavior Support**
 October 12,13,26,&27
- Habilitation**
 November 2,3,16,&17

Approved for 30 hr Seminars & CEU's MR/DD. We also offer Seminars as Independent Studies.

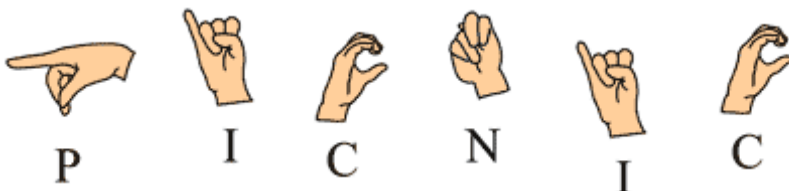
For information call JoAnn - 330-627-6555



CHI's 4th of July Picnic

The pavilion at Lake Mohawk was full of smiles and laughter at the CHI Annual Picnic. It was a perfect day for a picnic. Everyone enjoyed the eating, fishing, dancing, playing games, relaxing in the sun, and the pontoon ride. It was a nice break for all.

CHI's Picnic pictures continue in the next issue.





New Faces around at Carroll Hills!

Those born with a talent which is meant to be used find their greatest joy in using it. Johann von Goethe



Shannan Boone, Service & Support Administrator

I am a recent graduate of Kent State University with a degree in Human Development and Family Studies. I previously worked for Children and Family 1st Council out of Cadiz, OH under a special grant that provided troubled children within the community mentoring and self esteem building services. I also have some experience working in the community mental health field. While going to college I gained experience working as a respite-care provider for Tuscarawas County Board of MRDD. I also worked for a therapeutic riding center called New Freedom Riding Center which gave children with MRDD an

opportunity to ride horses.

I currently live in Sherrodsville Ohio, am married and have no children of my own, however I do have five horses, two dogs, and one cat.

I am looking forward to working in this field for years to come, and excited about the new challenges that await me as a Service and Support Administrator.



Ray Heaston,
Business Manager

Ray grew up on a dairy farm in Perry Township, Carroll County and graduated from Carrollton High School in 1985.

He then attended Ohio Northern University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, Management in 1990.

He has been employed with the Carroll County Engineer & Highway Department as the Administrative Assistant for the past 16 years.

Ray currently lives in New Philadelphia with his loyal Australian Red Heeler "Chip".

He is a member of First Baptist Church of New Phila. where he serves in the singles ministry, worship team and the ESL outreach ministry assisting the Spanish speaking community in learning English.

Ray enjoys helping others & fellowship with friends, along with OSU football, home renovation & landscaping, and ATV riding. He also takes pleasure in the anticipation of owning a 1966 or '67 Pontiac GTO some day.



L-R Joan Pennock, Betty Eshelman, & Betty Shurtz.

No introduction was needed for Joan Pennock as she joined the other COAD Foster Grandma's, Betty Eshelman, Betty Shurtz and Lydia VanHorne at Carroll Hills School this year. This is the ideal placement for Joan, who already volunteers for Special Olympics, Council fundraisers, and now helps in one of the classrooms her daughter once attended. Perfect Fit!

On another note, we all send well wishes to Grandma Lydia who has been off due to health issues. See you in the fall!



Council News:

Rummage Sale A Huge Success!

The Carroll Hills Council Rummage Sale was successful again this year, generating over \$1100. We would like to thank all those who played a part in this effort, Chairperson, Garry Witts, the volunteers giving their time and energy, those donating to the sale, and to the community for supporting this fundraiser.



Pictured L-R : Shelia Mayle, Bonnie Underwood, Cheryl Rohr, Brittany Rohr , & Garry Witts.

Our next fundraiser, the Hotdog Stand will be August 11 & 12 at Dollar General Market. For information call Rose Howell, Chairperson at CHI, 330-627-5524.

The Council's next meeting will be September 11th 4 p.m. at Carroll Hills School. For more information please contact one of the officers: Pres. Sam Monk, VP Garry Witts, Sec. Rose Howell or Treas. JoAnn Hilliard.

Cougars Travel to Columbus

Carroll County MR/DD Special Olympics selected 15 bowlers, who represented us at the 2007 State Summer Games June 22 - 24th. The Games were held on the Campus of The Ohio State University featuring competition for more than 2,600 athletes from across the state. The inspiring Opening Ceremony included nearly all the athletes and coaches in attendance, a Parade of Athletes and the lighting of the "Flame of Hope" which burns throughout the Games.



Bowling competition was held at Sawmill Lanes, where bowlers are grouped according to age and bowling average. Cougars bowled extremely well with the following results: Gold Medal Winners - Shirley Clark, Randy Rodgers & Aaron Scott. Silver Medals Winners - Matt Crough, Deb Granger, Gene Fankhauser, Amy Jo Pennock, & Charlie Weir. Bronze Medals Winners - Tonja Hartline, Kim Hilliard, Stephanie Long, Eric Prowe, & Sean Shawler. Fourth Place Winners – Sarah Hines & Jeff Samborsky.

When the athletes weren't bowling they were enjoying themselves at Tent Town. Tent Town, a favorite place for athletes, provides food, drink, games, and entertainment. This year the athletes attended the Columbus Clippers vs. Ottawa Lynx baseball game.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you again to those who sponsored our trip to the State Games. Coach JoAnn Hilliard

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