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Lead Story

ATF Gardening

Adult Training Facility Gardening at BEi

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In the early stages of planning the garden at BEi, John Anderson Construction donated the top soil and master gardener, Laura Chapel, created two garden spaces; one for herbs and one for vegetables. In June, when the vegetable garden was planted, Chapel came to BEi and assisted individuals with getting the vegetables planted and mulching the pathways. The vegetable garden has accessible quadrants with pathways that allow for easy navigating when tending to the garden. The vegetable garden consists of tomatoes, beans, radishes, peas, lettuce, and squash. The herb garden has basil, oregano, sage, rosemary, and chives.

Each morning, our individuals spend time maintaining the vegetable and herb gardens. They water and weed, and have helped build a fence around the vegetable garden to keep animals out. When vegetables become ready to harvest, they are used to create healthy snacks. The first vegetables that were ready to eat were some bright red radishes which were used to make a delicious radish and garlic cream cheese dip. Fresh herbs have been used to brighten up a medley of roasted vegetables and a green bean salad was made using fresh green beans from the garden. The ATF individuals enjoy maintaining the garden and are delighted with the healthy and delicious reward of fresh vegetables.

Warren Gives Results

For the fourth year in a row, BEi was again in the Top Ten organizations for number of donors and amount raised from the online Warren Gives Day held on May 18, 2016. BEi had 109 donors and received \$8,452.71 in contributions which included prorated matching amounts from the Community Foundation of Warren County, the Sarah Sokolski Memorial Fund, the Betts Foundation, Blair Corporation, Northwest Charitable Trust, and the DeFrees Family Memorial Fund. The funds will be used for BEi's Art Program, production operation enhancements, and building improvements.

THANK YOU to the 109 individuals that donated to BEi during Warren Gives!

BEi Services:

Educational Opportunities

Pre-Employment Transition Services for Youth

Employment & Skill Building

Pre-Vocational Services
Transitional Work Services
Supported Employment

Community Living & Learning

Life Skills Training
Adult Training Facility
Therapeutic Activities Program

Support for Families

Information Sharing

Recreational Activities

BE inspired Community Art Program
Wellness Activities
Community Events

Business Outsourcing Opportunities:

Packaging or Repackaging of Materials
Hand Assembly Work
Quality Control Inspections
Shrink Wrapping of Products
Light Industrial Work
Custodial Contracts

For more information, call BEi at (814) 723-8431 or visit

www.beiwarren.com

Executive Director, Bob Klebacha Retires

Bob Klebacha celebrated his 38 years of service with Bollinger Enterprises at his retirement party held on 6/24/16. In attendance, were BEi employees/families, Board Members, government officials, local community members, and friends. State Representative Cathy Rapp and State Senator Scott Hutchinson presented him with a House Citation recognizing his dedication and service to providing quality services to the intellectually disabled population of Warren and Forest Counties! Congratulations and best wishes were extended to Bob by attendees for his many years of services and dedication to BEi.



BEi's New Executive Director



BEi welcomes new Executive Director, William Clark, D. Ed.

Prior to being appointed as Executive Director of BEi in June 2016, Dr. Clark was Superintendent of the Warren County School District, an Educational Consultant for the Solanco Area School District, Superintendent at Manheim Central and Milton Area School District. In addition, he was Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, High School Principal, Tech-Prep Principal, and Assistant Principal at St.

Marys Area School District. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Pennsylvania State University, a Master of Education degree from Shippensburg University and a Doctor of Education degree from Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Clark taught mathematics at the Franklin County Vocational Technical School. While working in administration, he taught undergraduate students Math at Pennsylvania State University and graduate students School Law. He has also taught graduate level classes for Wilkes University including School Law and Social Foundations and Pennsylvania Inspired Leadership (PIL) School Law, Ethics, and Leadership for Lebanon Valley College.

United Fund Kick Off Video

United Fund contacted BEi to participate in a promotional video that highlights the many benefits local charities see through the fundraising efforts. Dr. Clark, Executive Director of BEi, and Nicole Huya, employee at BEi, were interviewed by KrankyPlate productions for the video. The final video will be shown during the at United Fund Kick-Off on Friday, Sept. 16th at 6:00 PM at the Library Theater. This event is open to the public.



ATF Enjoys Drumming



One of our favorite ATF community activities is attending a drumming circle on Tuesday mornings at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Lead by Diane Scarcella, they play on djembe drums and sometimes incorporate other instruments such as tambourines, rain sticks, shakers, and maracas.

BEi Walking Club



Every Tuesday throughout the summer months, for an hour after work, a group comes together to walk around the North Warren community. Walking has many health benefits, such as maintaining a healthy weight, improving circulation and helps support your joints. It's also a good way to unwind after a day of work and boosts your overall mood.

Jamestown Jammers Game



Matt throws the first pitch at a Jamestown Jammers game this summer. We coordinate an outing and encourage family and friends to attend and enjoy a day at the ball field. We had approximately 60 people attend to cheer on the Jammers. The weather was perfect and the Jammers pulled out a victory.

BEi Annual Picnic



The Annual BEi picnic at Chapman State Park was held on July 22nd. Every year we celebrate all of the hard work with a day of fun and relaxation. We played games, ate a catered lunch, and swam in the lake.



Executive Director as Learner

Over the last several months, Dr. Clark has taken time to meet with both individuals and groups to learn firsthand about the dreams, hopes, aspirations, and accomplishments that exist at this time with BEi. From these exchanges, Dr. Clark hopes to develop a clearer sense of the course upon which to embark in the pursuit of the mission of BEi. His personal goals are 1) to get to know the people and programs in BEi as fully as possible, 2) to examine the critical issues at BEi, 3) to identify norms that will affect how BEi may function in the future, 4) to identify the tasks that need to be accomplished by ranking them in priority order, and 5) to establish how and by whom these tasks should be accomplished. In order to gather this critical information, Dr. Clark has conducted over forty-nine interviews with board members, employees, community members, and parents.

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Mission

To Enrich the Lives of People with Disabilities

- * **B**ringing opportunities to people with disabilities for independence at work, at home and at play!
- * **E**nhancing self-worth and enjoyment in life!
- * **i**nvolving the community to make it happen!

Check out our website at
www.beigarren.com



SAVE THE DATE!



**BEi Holiday Craft and Vendor Show, Saturday,
December 10, 2016; 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
More details to be announced.**

New BEi Board of Directors Member Melissa Procter



Melissa moved to the Warren area in the fall of 1999 to take a special education teaching position for the Warren County School District. Mrs. Procter has been a special education teacher for 22 years, a volunteer for Special Olympics and enjoys quilting. She resides in Warren County with her husband and two boys. She has a lifelong desire to help individuals with disabilities.