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In The News!

Joanne's Success Story

Joanne is a lady of great courage, persistence and determination. Very little gets in her way of living an active and fulfilling life. Joanne has called Bonny Lea Farm home for 25 years. She has experienced many incredible opportunities that would not likely have occurred if not for programs such as ours. From camping to downhill skiing and snowshoeing to lobbying for Participants' Rights, Joanne always strives to do more. This may not sound unusual as many people accomplish much in their life time, however living with Cerebral palsy presents certain challenges. Joanne has been most proud of her

work experiences and the friendships that she has made with many here and in the community at large. One of her current jobs is working at a popular Chester eatery, the Kiwi Café. Here Joanne stamps bags and boxes with the Kiwi Café logo. She usually does 150 bags in an hour.

"I love it. It keeps me busy. I get to talk to so many people."

Joanne wearing the Kiwi Café T-Shirt





• Direct Mail Campaign 2014

Our Annual Mail Campaign will be sent out during the month of November. Your annual support is very much appreciated.

Donations Transform Lives!

A lovely fall day for a bike ride from Chester Basin to Gold River.

Dave Hingsburger- Lessons in Humanity, Humility & Human Services

Dave has worked his entire career with people with developmental disabilities. He is a well-known author, lecturer and a sexuality counselor.

We were very fortunate to take part in two days of staff professional development.

We were educated and entertained by his stories that illustrated many important points about working in the field of Human Services. In a nutshell, Dave reminded us of the joy and complexities of working in this field and how to do it with the utmost demonstration of humanity, and humility.

Dave with Board Chair Mary Ellen Clancey and David Outhouse, Managing Director Check out Dave's newsletters at *dhingsburger@vitacls.org*



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