Welcome! **New Instructors:**

Mable Speller, Marilyn Morehead and Lionel Smallwood





Welcome!

Floor Supervisor

Latonya Lassiter and

Intern Shawngual

Harrell





Cashie River Treehouses







ADVP Group dropping off donations to The **Ronald McDonald House**



involved in so many activities. In one of our groups, clients have said that the most memorable activities were the tour of Cashie River Treehouse in Windsor and the weekly visits to the Williamston Animal Rescue. On the tour at Cashie River Treehouse, we learned the history of the treehouses as we went inside each one. The treehouses were actually built by the hosts of The Treehouse Guys, on the DIY Network (Season 2, Episode 9). At The Williamston Animal Rescue, clients were able to help Sheriff Kevin Beck exercise and socialize the dogs by walking them and giving them treats. Clients are able to name a dog at every visit. Betty Boop, Poopsie, and Speedy are a few of the names that have been given.

Our ADVP groups have had an enjoyable quarter. The clients have been







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2017	Perdue	Hampton Art	Hampton Art	Cardboard	Ann's House of Nuts	Penco
July	715,200	89,586	0	18.75	200	11,451
Aug.	753,390	33,504	360	18.81	0	0
Sept.	713,340	48,384	1,512	0	471	0
3RD Qtr.	2,181,930	171,474	1,872	37.56	671	11,451
	Poultry trays	Tubes of beads	Painted planks	Tons of Card- board	Assembled and packed displays	Assemblies



This quarter, Innovations, ADVP, and PSR departments have been very active in several community outings. Clients and staff took part in the 4th of July celebration, eating hot dogs and hamburgers cooked on the grill by staff. The tour of the Martin County Courthouse during the month of August was very informative and entertaining. The staff of the Martin County Court House showed the clients the dispatch center, court rooms, the tax office, the county records department and the Sheriff's office. During the month of September, we finished up the quarter with a trip to the radio station Magic FM 95.9 in Plymouth and celebrated the quarter's end with an Italian styled "Salad Day", catered by Mama's Pizza and The Martin Enterprises Wellness Committee. The radio station staff gave us a very informative tour of the building and explained the functions of each staff member. They also allowed several Martin Enterprises' staff and clients the opportunity to talk on a live broadcast for that day. Our "Italian Day" celebration was an awesome way to end the quarter! Martin Enterprises' staff and clients enjoyed festive Italian music, lasagna, Italian bread, cinnamon donuts, tea, and salad with a large variety of toppings. This was a great day. We always enjoy sharing our events with you. Thank you for your support!

Healthy Eating Session with Dietician Sarah Overholt













Wellness Committee

This quarter the Wellness Committee continued to make the proper steps towards living a more healthy lifestyle. In the month of July we took on our second walking competition in the park. We wore specific colors to display our team spirit and made sure we had coolers full of water and Gatorade near by after completing our 1 mile walk. In the month of August we enjoyed learning how to make tasty treats more healthy during a frozen yogurt social. In the month of September, we ended the quarter with Deborah Davenport hosting an event, where a local dietician by the name of Sarah Overholt came to speak to us all about healthy eating, portion control, and things to consider if you're a diabetic. It has been a fun-filled and informative quarter. We are looking for more great things to take part in during the upcoming months.

ADVP

ADVP AT MEMORIAL BAPTIST DAYCARE











WELLNESS

ARC and UCP Group Homes

ARC and UCP group homes stayed busy this quarter

Life is too short to keep your circle full of people who will watch you fail.

Kelvin P.

attending birthday and anniversary celebrations, local church events, the annual Homecoming Parade, and The Stampede in The Park. The clients also spent the month of September learning about Greece and the culture of its people. The clients invited friends and family to experience Greek attire, décor, and Greek food. The clients and staff have enjoyed this quarter and are looking forward to share ing our adventures for the next quarter.











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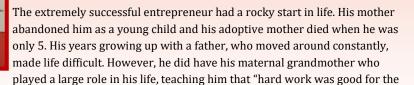
Martin Enterprises

Williamston Wendy's Supports Martin

Enterprises' VR Program

Dave Thomas started his hamburger business in 1969 with two main focuses: to serve great hamburgers and to have a business with "family" as a core value. When

searching for a name for his new endeavor, he tried all of his children's names out with the nickname for Melinda Lou being chosen - Wendy.



soul." She also told him to "never cut corners" which is why Wendy's hamburgers are square - to remind him.

The background of Dave Thomas brings us to the Williamston Wendy's General Manager, Latoya Josiah. Latoya began working at Wendy's in New Bern, NC around six years ago. She rose up through the ranks and was "given" a store to manage in 2015. She is a single Mother of three and views Wendy's as her extended family.

When ME's Employment Specialist, Blondell, met with Latoya to talk about hiring some clients, she was met with "sure, bring them in." How did she come to be so open to hiring people with disabilities? Josiah saw people with disabilities working in the New Bern Wendy's doing a good job so she had no problem doing the same at her store. She was actually following another part of Wendy's culture - to support the people in the community where the business is located.

This led to seven people being hired through ME's Vocational Rehabilitation program. Latoya is very direct with her employees, which falls in line with Wendy's three main thrusts in this component of its organizational culture: Honesty, Integrity, and Respect for one another. She really wants them to be happy. "I want to see all of them smile. I know they are capable, but they need to be happy here to be successful. I want to see that on their faces."

Professionalism in the Workplace presentation with speaker Latoya Josiah.



VR Consumers placed in new jobs









VR Partners Touring HTM







Farewell Blondell!

luck on your endeavors!

