

Congratulations, Martha!



Martha from RES enjoying her retirement party.

On December 27, 2016 RES staff celebrated with Martha Lyans for her retirement. Martha has been a co-owner of Mrs. Bow Wowz dog treats since 2008. Over the years, Martha and co-owner, Courtney Clack, have mixed, rolled out, cut, baked, packaged, and sold thousands of dog treats to happy dogs all over the United States! Martha recently celebrated a significant birthday and decided it was a good time to retire. She looks forward to sleeping in, going out to eat, traveling, and other community activities. RES is currently recruiting a new business partner for Mrs. Bow Wowz. Congratulations, Martha!

2017, A Year of Preparation

2017 will bring a lot of preparation for Family Care/IRIS's arrival in 2018. The DD Coalition is meeting every 2 weeks and scheduling speakers to not only educate agency directors, but to help outside organizations learn about Dane County. We want the organizations who would like to come into Dane County to understand why Dane County is the #1 County in the nation for the employment of individuals with disabilities!!

The Supported Employment Providers Coalition, SEPC, a sub-committee of the DD Coalition, is meeting monthly. SEPC sub-committees are working on Finance, Transportation, and High School transitions. SEPC is preparing a checklist that MARC will assist families in completing so they know and understand all of the services their family member is currently receiving.

MARC's goal is to keep you informed about educational sessions designed to share up-to-date information and answer your questions. Please let your Program Director know the best method of sharing information with you. Sometimes there is very short notice. On these occasions email does work the best. We want to make sure everyone is prepared for the coming changes.

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2016 went out with many CELEBRATIONS!

Each year at MARC, the holidays are celebrated with parties at each location. Each program has it's own traditions, including: dance parties, lots of food, candy, decorations, and lots of fun! We want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make these fun parties happen! The holiday season is a wonderful time of year and we could not make it special without you!

Rob from MARC-Mt. Horeb making his favorite cookies.



Let the DANCE PARTY begin!!!



Oliver from MARC-West enjoying a holiday meal from Hy-Vee.



Scott from MARC-East was delighted to be Santa Clause.



Wanna Do Herbs

Fresh Lavender



Owned and operated by Amy Oemichen, **Wanna Do Herbs** is a microenterprise that started in 2014 because of her love of gardening and working with her hands. Formed from the common phrase Amy uses "I Wanna Do" when she is asked to do something, **Wanna Do Herbs** sells bath tub teas, bath bombs, sachets, car fresheners, dryer bags, room spray, lip balm and hand soaps. Amy sells these products at the MARC center and two local businesses as well as the farmer's markets!

Amy sells all of these products.



Amy making bath bombs!



Amy is extremely proud of her business and is eager to show off her finished products.

Valentine's Microenterprise Sale

Sassy D's Jewelry, Bob's Greenhouse Art, Mrs. Bow Wowz dog treats, and MR. Treats all showed off their creations and treats at a microenterprise sale on Friday, February 3, 2017. Also on sale at the event were numerous staff creations ranging from colorful magnets to hand crocheted coasters, scarves and other unique items.

It was the first partnership with MARC staff to provide even more variety for those shopping at MARC for their special someone!



MARC Recognition Banquet

Tuesday, April 18th
High Point Church
5-6:00 pm: Social Hour
6-7:00 pm: Dinner
7-8:30 pm: Awards Presentation



SAVE THE DATES



MARC Golf Classic

Tuesday, June 6th
The Meadows of Sixmile Creek Golf Course
Wauwaukee, WI

CyclePoint... MARC's electronics recycling program has received tremendous support during its initial year! The community has seen the benefit of the proper disposal of a variety of electronics along with the creation of jobs for adults with disabilities. The **Madison Community Foundation** has supported CyclePoint's growth with a \$33,500 grant. MARC is excited to be on the path to obtaining national certification with R2/RIOS. This certification is anticipated to be completed within the coming months.



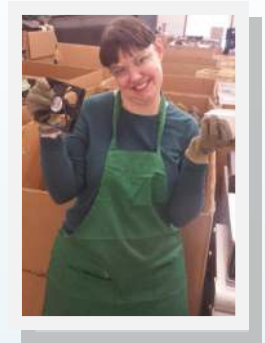
Collection Dates: March 25th, April 22nd, May 20th
805 Forward Drive: 9:00-1:00pm

COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS, CELL PHONES, PRINTERS....

Earth day is quickly approaching. Now is the time to consider cleaning your home or business of those unwanted electronics. If April 22nd doesn't work for you, **NO WORRIES**, donations are accepted Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.



CRT and television charge is only \$20.
Hard drive destruction is available for \$5.00.



MARC Staff Attend Banquet for Free

2017 is the first year that MARC has received corporate sponsorship for staff to attend the MARC Recognition Banquet for FREE. Due to the generosity of TRICOR, the Clack Foundation, and Archie Vorwald (from TRICOR) all staff have free registration for the banquet, so sign up today!



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MARC -West

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Pope & French Awards

Join us in congratulating the 2017 award nominees

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| Lynsey Sultze—East | Jennifer McDonald—East |
| Dean Erdman—Mt Horeb | Brianna Nutter—Mt Horeb |
| Karen Gussert—RES | Chastity Young—RES |
| Scott Thompson—RES | Carol Glass—Stoughton |
| Laura Johnson—Stoughton | Michele Ramsden—West |
| Craig Cimino—West | |

Jobs Available

MARC offers a comprehensive benefit package to all employees working 25 hours and over including: health insurance, dental insurance, vision insurance, short and long-term disability insurance, life insurance, dependent life insurance, ten paid holidays, vacation leave, sick leave, flexible spending accounts, tuition reimbursement and a generous retirement package.

The Circus was in Town!



Delight was seen in everyone's eyes as the three Sue's: Suzanne Hanson, Sue Woodson and Sue Skrenes were caught on camera riding the elephant at the circus.

MARC clients, staff and caregivers were happy to once again receive free circus tickets. Everyone has been talking about the animals, the clowns, the man shot out of a cannon, and the pigs in sunglasses!



A special thank you to the Zor Shrine Circus for providing this opportunity for everyone!