



People *Realizing Individual Dreams* and
Expectations

Ruth Pugh Foundation
Direct Support Professional and
Self Advocate of the Year Awards



**Congratulations to Katrina Gibson, LPN,
NCDSNB Direct Support Professional of the Year!**



**Carol Cook, the 2011 NCDSNB
Self Advocate of the Year!**

News from the Newberry County Disabilities And Special Needs Board

Fall 2011/ Winter 2012

Cindy Farr, Editor

The Debbie Burton Award

The Debbie Burton Award was presented during the Human Service Providers luncheon on June 7, 2011. The award honors a person for serving people with disabilities and special needs for at least ten years. Fred Owens was nominated and presented this award.

Voices for PRIDE

Joins SABE

SABE, Self Advocates Becoming Empowered is a nationwide self-advocacy group that VFP recently joined. The membership allows access to newsletters, website information, and other helpful information for self-advocacy groups. SABE also hosts a self-advocacy conference every other year. The next conference is scheduled in 2012 and will be held in either Oklahoma or Missouri. SABE was formed in 1990 and the annual membership fee is \$25.00.

Visit us on the web:

www.ncdsnb.org

K-Cup Anyone?



We now have Keurig coffee! Voices of PRIDE decided to add coffee and hot beverages to their canteen items.

The “pods” are available to purchase in Mary Catherine’s office. There are a variety of coffees, flavored coffees, tea (sweet and unsweet), hot apple cider and hot chocolate available at a cost of \$.75 per pod. You have a choice of small or large cups whenever you make your drink. (If you like a bold flavor, choose small – otherwise choose the larger size). The tea also makes wonderful iced tea!!

Stop by Mary Catherine’s office to see all of the varieties!! Bring in your favorite mug and enjoy!!

Special Olympics News



Special Olympic Athletics continue to participate in area games. In March 2012

the team will travel to Charleston SC for bowling. On March 23 track and field events will be held at Presbyterian College in Clinton.

The Special Olympics Coaching Staff say goodbye to Fred Owens and welcome to Mrs. Glennie Walker!! Mary Catherine Reynolds, Jennifer Brooks, Annette Bledsoe, and Glennie Walker will be accompanying the team to the upcoming events.



Cooking with PRIDE

Cookbooks Available for \$10

A special thanks to the cookbook committee for all the hard work to put this cookbook together!

All the proceeds from the book are to benefit the Ruth S. Pugh Foundation.

Voices for PRIDE

Ban the "R" Word

The Voices for PRIDE Self Advocacy Committee has taken the **word** to the community! VFP made a presentation to the Newberry County Council in Oct 2011. The **Ban the "R" word** presentation was well received by the Council and community. In Nov. 2011, VFP presented the information to the Newberry County Disabilities and Special Needs Board of Directors and in Dec. to the Ruth Pugh Foundation.



Voices for PRIDE Executive Committee Members, Connie Coleman, Crystal Carnes and Carla Creekmore are pictured with Newberry County Council Chairperson, Buddy Livingston.



Carla Creekmore speaks to the Newberry County Council.



Voices for PRIDE presented Newberry County Council with a Pledge to Show Respect poster.

Hello's 😊 and Goodbye's ☹️

NCDSNB would like to welcome Anthony Martin as the new SLP Coordinator and Anthony Wise as the new Residential Coordinator.

We say goodbye to Crystal Coker, SLP Coordinator. Crystal is leaving NCDSNB to explore new opportunities. We will miss you Crystal!!

Trick ? or Treat?



Thank you- Louis Rich

A special thank you to the Louis Rich Company for their special donation of food items to consumers during the Christmas holidays.



Jerry Young, Maintenance Coordinator, picked up boxes of food donated by Louis Rich for NCDSNB Consumers.



NCDSNB Staff help to unload boxes and distribute them to the NCDSNB consumers.