

DIGS NEWS

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DIGS Inc. is a 501C3 non-profit organization whose mission is to provide safe housing, work and leisure opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities. Please visit our website www.digsrome.org

Member Highlight!

We'd like you to meet Shawn Treglown. He is the son of Ricky and Elaine Treglown. Shawn, age 22 graduated from Model High School in 2008. He currently works at Network Day Services and lives at home with his parents. Shawn has always loved music and became interested in being a DJ at the DIGS '1 Step @ A Time' dance club meetings while watching a DJ do his job. With the support of his parents, Shawn is using his knowledge of music and has learned the skills necessary to be a DJ. So far, he has used any money he has earned to purchase more of his own equipment. Shawn now provides the music for the dance club at each monthly meeting. He listens to the suggestions of the other members and prepares his play lists. During the dance, Shawn is doing a great job giving lively comments about the music and dancers and making announcements. We're proud of you, Shawn!!!

If you're planning a party or gathering, call Shawn to provide your choice of music for the occasion.

Presume Competence!

Definition: an attitude or mindset that believes anyone has the ability to achieve

DJ

Shawn
mix a lot

**MUSIC FOR PARTIES, SPECIAL
OCCASIONS AND EVENTS**

references available

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Rather than... it can't be done, **Presume Competence!** That's just what Ricky and Elaine did to help Shawn accomplish something he wanted to do! Instead of focusing on the disability, they looked for skills Shawn had. Then they looked for an opportunity for him to use those skills. Sometimes it takes "thinking out of the box". Sometimes it may take changes in how something is done. But, sometimes it just takes a change in an attitude. Believe us, the results will be worth the effort.



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In the beginning.....



July 2006, DIGS, Inc. founding members
(back left to right) Kimberly McGuiness, Linda Blackwell, Suzanne Schroeder, Laura Harrison, Jean Battle, Barbara Paul, (absent Lamar Paul)
(front left to right) Charlie Schroeder, Barbara Monday, Linda Castellanos, Mary Williams

DIGS Booth at the Fair Says It All!

DIGS' educational booth won 4th place at this year's Coosa Valley Fair. Standing cutouts were used to represent each of our leisure choices and the work opportunity with garden art. The 'Road to a Full Life' ends at an artist's rendering of our first home and floor plan.

This really shows how far we have come in 4 years!



A Capital Fund Drive is in progress to raise the monies needed to build our first home.



Thank you
for serving

Help Wanted:

Mentors for Camera Club members to assist them during once a month (3rd Friday) meetings.

Art/Craft instructors to volunteer to lead an art club session 1st Thursday of the month.

Please contact Barbara Monday at DIGS@comcast.net

Art Hearts
Art club is now sponsored by Floyd Heyman Hospicare.



“Just As I Am”
choir

Snap Happy
Camera Club



1 Step @ A Time
dance club

Thank you for your support!

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“Just As I Am” choir, Snap Happy Camera Club and 1 Step @ A Time dance club are co-sponsored with Rome/Floyd Parks & Recreation Authority.

DIGS ‘One Step Closer’ unique Garden Art

now has a home at the old Johnson School on Morrison Campground Rd. DIGS members have spent many hours working on items for the **Chiaha Harvest Fair**

held October 23-24.

We thank all those who made it a success. Students and teachers

from the Floyd

County Education Center and Grace Rush’s class from Pepperell Middle

volunteered their time. We also thank all our parent volunteers for their hard work and creativity. We thank those who stopped by the booth to make purchases or just to visit in support of DIGS.



Items Needed: sandpaper or sanding sponges; pliers, regular and needle nose; wire cutters; hammers; 100’ water hose; electric heater; scrap pieces of wood; 2’x2’ squares of plywood.

If you have any of these items to share, please contact Barbara Monday at

digsrome@gmail.com



A special THANK YOU to the “Y” and instructor Danny House for providing once a week swimming.

For a monthly calendar of events, please visit our website www.digsrome.org



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- General Fund to support our ongoing activities
- Capital Fund for building our first home for adults with dev. disabilities
- In honor of _____ for _____
- In memory of _____

Send an acknowledgement letter:

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Address _____

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Please return your donation to DIGS, Inc.

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