The Flinthills Facilitator



Spring 2018





Developmental Disability Community Service Provider











On May 17, we enjoyed a lovely evening for our Open House Cookout at Rockin' Robin's on High St. Special thanks goes out to Crystal West and family, Joann Gomez-Oliver from MRH Insurance, and Brian Brown from Shocker Homes, - you helped make this project a success!



We have been EXPLODING in the area of art and our Zenses line this quarter!! We were recently approached by an interior design store in Augusta about carrying our Zenses products, our jewelry and our hi-flow art in their brand new "Heart to Heart Boutique". This little boutique will showcase merchandise made for and by individuals with developmental disabilities. They will carry our entire line of Zenses products, including our newest shower salts! These salts provide you with an aromatic spa experience, by enhancing your shower. We offer "Good Morning" with an uplifting scent of orange and sandalwood, "Easy Breathing" our sinus clearing scents of eucalyptus, menthol and peppermint, and "Good Night" our soothing lavender blend. In addition to our already amazing bath bombs, we introduced our spring scents, "Sunshine" a pleasant mix of mandarin and bergamot, and "Spring Clean" which has no scents or added colors, just the skin softening goodness for our friends with sensitive skin.

We have also been increasing our production of jewelry making and introducing our client jewelry artist, Thomas, to the wonderful world of metal forming and copper coloring. He has made some beautiful and unique pieces that are available for purchase both in our lobby, and at the Heart to Heart Boutique in Augusta. His favorite part is hammering the textures into the different metals.

Finally, we have combined two of our arts, that of our hi flow, and that of our recycled crafts, and created beautiful dragonflies made of ceiling fan blades and kitchen chair spindles. The clients have really enjoyed anything we have made with our hi flow art.



Karen Livingston spent her childhood helping her family raise a garden. She loved having her fingers in the fresh soil and seeing the results of her efforts in all the fine product they grew. Karen first started working at Flinthills 6 years ago. At that time, there was no greenhouse. When Karen returned to Flinthills in December, 2016 she was excited to learn we now had a nice greenhouse of our own. Karen's position evolved from Kitchen Manager to Food Production Site Leader, allowing her to use her talents to help Flinthills clients plant, nurture, and product crops of lettuce, cabbage, carrots, tomatoes, peppers, and even cilantro. Karen has added two wheelchair accessible, outdoor planters to this project and has a dream of expanding to a larger, heated shelter to grow crops all year long. Through Karen's guidance, clients are learning what types of plants grow best in certain conditions, and that gardening takes patience and perseverance. In a few weeks, we will begin to reap the harvest of our labors, and will incorporate our fresh produce into healthy meals in both our day and residential settings. Karen loves her interaction with the clients at FSI and sharing with them her appreciation for raising successful, healthy living plants.







Reminder to think of us when purchasing your fireworks this 4th of July! Our tent will be located on West Central in El Dorado next to Steve & Sons.

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