



## The CWTC Insider

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### A Message From Patti

Dear friends of CWTC,

October is designated as National Disability Employment Awareness Month. It is important to consider inclusion of people with disabilities in the workforce. Hiring individuals with disabilities just may improve the culture of your organization. CWTC placed over 50 people at community jobs last year. The retention rate of these employees was over 83%. We would like to thank our community partners for welcoming our individuals into their work families and providing work opportunities. CWTC would also like to thank Caterpillar Inc. and Rome Industries for providing work experiences to over 200 individuals with disabilities at our main facility. Our consumers are learning work skills, becoming more self-sufficient and more self-confident. Thank you to all for assisting our individuals on their pathway to independence.



All my best,

Patti Gratton

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### Consumer Spotlight



Evan has been in our residential program for almost a year. He moved from his parent's home last year. Since then he has learned to do his own laundry, make his own lunches, and is continuing to learn and grow every day. According to his parents, the most impressive thing he has achieved is carrying his house keys in his pocket daily!

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### A Night to Remember!

CWTC presented our annual "Pathway Awards Dinner & Auction" Tuesday evening, September 10, 2019, at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center in East Peoria. The theme was "S'mores & Flannel," with everyone dressing in their favorite flannel attire. The evening festivities paid tribute

to the many people who have helped CWTC and have contributed in extraordinary ways. Karen Haney gave a moving tribute about her brother Chris, and our consumers walked away with very well-deserved accolades and smiles. It was a great night for everyone and you can catch some of the highlights [here!](#)



## How Can We Help You!?



We are so appreciative of the support that CWTC receives from the community, but we also believe in giving back. Our consumers volunteer at over ten sites in the community. As they volunteer, they are also learning life skills such as safety, good work practices and communication, just to name a few. CWTC is always looking for more business partnering opportunities. Call Jen Shadowens at 309-686-3300 ext. 224.

## CWTC on Social Media!

There are so many ways to stay in touch with CWTC. Of course, our website is our main source for information on programs and services for our consumers, as well as opportunities for you to get involved. CWTC is also involved on many social media platforms including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn. Just click on the icons below and be sure to "Like" or "Follow Us" to stay in touch with everything we're doing here and in the community. We appreciate YOUR support of adults with disabilities!



CWTC is always looking for dedicated and hard-working employees to fill a variety of opportunities in Residential Support, Employment Services, Contract Packaging and others. If you know someone looking for meaningful employment, we would love to talk with them about a rewarding job at CWTC. You can download an application, see available positions and read more about CWTC employment requirements [HERE!](#)

## DATE to REMEMBER!

### CWTC Super Trivia Challenge 2020!

Friday, January 10, 2020  
Par-A-Dice Hotel, East Peoria, IL

### CWTC Bowl-A-Thon

Saturday, March 7, 2020  
Landmark Lanes. Peoria, IL

Sponsorships and donations provide much-needed funding to CWTC's events and offer wonderful branding opportunities for your business or organization. To donate or become a sponsor, contact Carla Jockisch at 309-686-3300.

To Donate  
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### Mission Statement

Our Central Illinois organization provides programs and services to adults with disabilities; enriching their quality of life, promoting social change, and optimizing their potential for independence.

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