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## A Message from Patti

Dear friends of CWTC,

Today as I am sitting here writing this, it is sunny and 40 degrees. Hopefully the doldrums of winter will soon be leaving us and warm, sunny days will be here soon. We all need to look forward to something positive! At CWTC we are fortunate that many of our consumers and staff have been able to receive the COVID vaccine and this will be one of the first steps in getting back to semi-normal.



The month of March brings us March Madness, baseball's spring training, and day light savings time! March is also Developmental Disabilities Awareness month. It is important to recognize the inclusion of people with disabilities in their communities. CWTC has been serving adults with disabilities since 1960. Our organization provides essential training to our individuals to help them maximize their independence and affords them the opportunities to live, work and grow in their communities. We provide job skills training, training on how to live independently in the community and skills to enhance their daily living opportunities.

We as an organization and the consumers we serve are facing many challenges in the uncertain future. One thing I do know is, we as an organization will continue to do the best we can do to provide quality programs and services to our consumers and assist them in their quest for independence – the life **THEY** choose to live.

We will continue to work with our community partners to embrace the independence of adults with disabilities.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Patti*

# Thank you for your participation in our 2021 Trivia Challenge

*You've Made a Difference.*



**CWTC**  
Where people with disabilities  
live, work and grow.

We want to thank everyone who took part in our "online" version of the CWTC Super Trivia Challenge during the week of January 25-29th! We thank you for playing all week and supporting CWTC and adults with disabilities! While it certainly wasn't the same as our annual get-together we have every January, we hope it provided some entertainment and a chance to enjoy something different. We had 68 players, all working to win 5 daily prizes of over \$200 in gift cards to LOCAL businesses in the community. The consensus has been that we should keep it going, even after we're back doing our live event. Which, by the way, is slated to return to the Para-A-Dice Hotel & Casino, January 21, 2022. Save the date!

## Looking For Staff!

CWTC's employment opportunities are as varied as the consumers we serve. Every day is different, every challenge is an opportunity and every position isn't a job. The positions at CWTC require unique individuals possessing tenacity, patience, empathy, education and a smile. Check out what opportunities are available now **HERE**. You can apply directly online or **download an application**. You will be rewarded every day, no matter what your position, knowing you are making a difference in the lives of adults with disabilities.



## On the Job!

Many of CWTC's success stories begins in our Community Employment Program. Twenty-five individuals have been placed in the past six months. Jacob has begun his journey, employed by VSI and is working at the OSF Prompt Care in Morton. For more information about CWTC's placement program, call Jerreia James at 309-686-3300.



Save the Date!

# Pathway Awards Dinner

September 14, 2021  
(Tentative)  
Embassy Suites Hotel

## Ready to Access the Community Again!



There's a sense of excitement looming as consumers begin to safely regain access to the community places they have enjoyed in the past. While they have appreciated the kindness of family and others donating items like puzzles, books, dinners and treats to make their self-quarantining easier, they certainly have missed those opportunities we've all taken for granted. A trip to the bowling alley, the movies and other activities. We appreciate your thoughts, ideas and help in making this challenging time better for our consumers.



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