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THE JUVENILE COURT NEWSLETTER

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Our Mission

- To Administer Justice
- Rehabilitate Juveniles
- Support & Strengthen Families
- Promote Public Safety

CBT Program Has Busy Summer Planned !

The Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) Program has a busy Summer Schedule.

A major part of summer programming is the garden project. Initially, the youth grew several types of lettuce and spinach from seeds in egg cartons. To get the garden project started, it required 5-10 hours of labor to make the site ready for planting. The Cognitive Behavioral Therapy youth assisted staff with this.



The pampered "egg carton" sprouts were transplanted in the garden along with tomatoes, various greens, egg plants and herbs. The garden project is a part of the daily activities of the youth at the center requiring the youth to water and weed daily.

The second summer event was the 5K run with the program *Girls with Sole*. The *Girls with Sole* program began coming to the Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Center in March. The group provided some athletic gear to those

that participated in the training sessions. The girls prepared for the 5K on Fridays, guided by *Girls with Sole* program volunteers. The 5K run was held in Rocky River, Ohio on June 5th. The *Girls with Sole* paid the registration fee for the CBT program participant which included a tee shirt and "gift bag". Staff from the Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Program also participated in the activity.

Fromwiller "passes baton" to Brooks as Courts' representative on the 2011 Juvenile Courts Clerks Education Committee

Bill Fromwiller, Chief Deputy Clerk, has been a part of the Juvenile Courts Clerks Education Committee since its inception in 2004. The Committee is responsible for setting the agenda and location for the Juvenile Court Clerks Conference which takes place yearly. Mr. Fromwiller has passed the baton to Linda Brooks,

Senior Supervisor, to represent our Clerks Office on the Education Committee in his stead, sharing that it will be a great learning and networking opportunity. He boasts that "she will be a great asset to the group and they were wise to accept her membership".

The 2011 Conference theme was *Keys to Effective Practice*.

A major accomplishment of the

Education Committee was the creation of the Ohio Juvenile Courts Clerks Best Practices Manual, which can be found on the Ohio Supreme Courts website.

www.supremecourt.ohio.gov.

GIRLS DETENTION CENTER UNIT 1B APPRECIATES DEDICATED GRIEF COUNSELOR KELLIE BINCZYK

Unit 1B provides the girls with a Grief and Loss Support Group. This provides a confidential and a safe environment for teenage girls to express feelings of grief or loss that they have experienced in their lives. The goals of grief counseling are to: listen in a supportive manner; share that, in most cases, emotional reactions are natural, normal and to be expected; teach skills of organization and prioritizing as means of stress reduction; and help individuals to draw on their own strengths and develop healthy coping mechanisms. The group is facilitated by Mrs. Kellie Binczyk who is from

Boston, Massachusetts. She has a BSN Degree in Nursing and Master's Degree from Ursuline College of Ministry.

In October of 2007, Mrs. Binczyk entered the Detention Center as part of Ministerial Services which was under the direction of Reverend Hughley, Detention Center Chaplain. In November 2007, she transitioned into Grief Support Counseling, where she continues to provide services every Monday evening from 6-7 p.m. on the girls' unit. 1B Unit Manager, Karmin Bryant shared " I believe that the services provided by Mrs. Binczyk have been very beneficial, in that the residents

have an outlet to voice their most interpersonal and intimate feelings. and she is looking forward to the continued partnership that the Grief Counselor has so eloquently provided."



Get Motivated Seminar: Margaret Williams "Gets it!"



Margaret Williams, Clerk's Office Supervisor, attended the Get Motivated Seminar held at Quicken Loans Arena with tickets provided by the Court.

She shared what she learned from a few of the presenters.

- Rick Belluzzo, Former Microsoft President, pointed out the difference between success & failure is how well you respond to change.

- Lou Holtz, Notre Dame Football Coach, expressed that life is a matter of choices. Do what is right, do the best to your ability & always show people you care.

- Rudolph Giuliani, Former Mayor of NYC, stressed that you must be part of the information revolution to be productive.

In summary Margaret stated that "success is about prospering financially in your career. It's also about succeeding in your family, health, relationships and spiritually. It doesn't matter what happens to you, just what you do with what happens to you".

*I think she GOT IT!
Thanks for Sharing!*

Fourth of July & Summer Safety Tips from the Red Cross

Water Safety: Swim in a supervised, marked area with a life-guard present, and swim with others. Never swim alone. Adults should never leave children alone. Take frequent breaks. Watch out for the "dangerous too's" too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much strenuous activity.

Firework Safety:

Never give fireworks to small children. Always follow packaging instructions. Keep a supply of water close by as a precaution. Light only one firework at a time and don't attempt to relight a "dud". Store in a cool dry place. Never throw or point towards people, animals, vehicles, structures or flammable materials. Safe Grilling: Use gas and charcoal grills outside only. Position grills far from siding, deck

railings, overhanging branches and house eaves. Keep children and pets at least 3 ft. away. Never add lighter fluid when coals have already been ignited. Supervise grill when in use. www.redcross.org

