



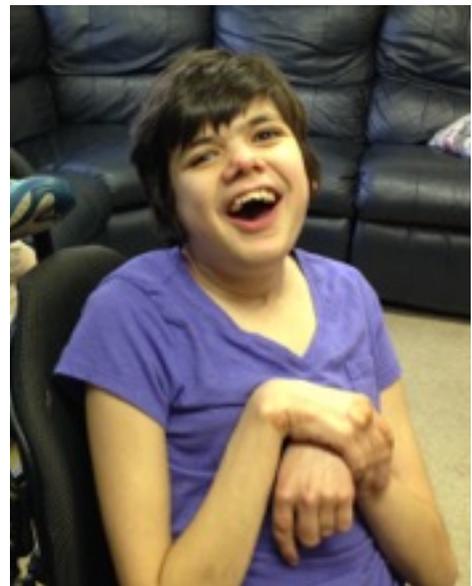
DEAR Enriches Our Lives

by Marsha Browning

DEAR is a part of my daughter Amy and her family's life. I routinely make her lunches, pack her bag and drive her down to the program. I mingle with the staff and hear about how she interacts with everyone, always smiling and giggling. She loves the music program and has begun playing the tambourine.

What I missed when Amy was at DEAR were the bonds that were being formed. When my Amy attended Mount Hood Kiwanis Camp this year, one of her friends from DEAR would stop in with his counselor and hangout. My daughter's counselor said that Amy would light up and was so happy when her friend came over.

The DEAR program enriches our lives in every aspect, from the caring staff to the parents and even the polite bus drivers. We are part of these bonds and feel so blessed.



Facebook Affirmation



Bob Sanders I am a retired Special Ed. teacher and I have visited almost all of the programs that provide recreational and enrichment for disabled adults in the local area. This is the best program of it's type by far. Staff and program makes a difference. It is a wonderful program.

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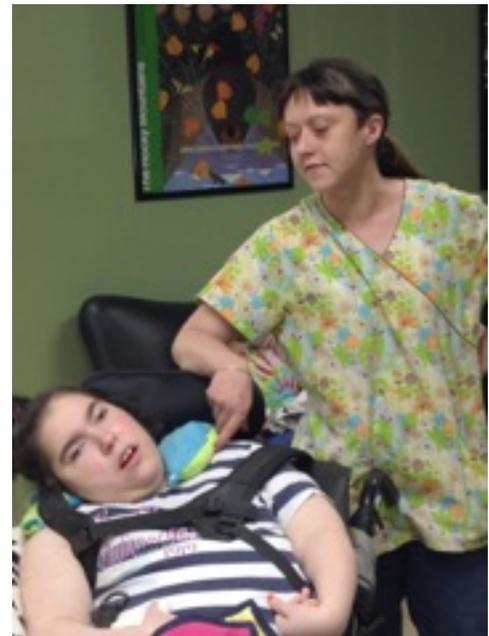
Kate McClelland remembered

Volunteer and staff member Kate passed away on July 8, 2015 from medical complications.

Program manager Kelly shared these comments: “Kate is missed by all the staff at DEAR because of her dedication to being here daily, her punctuality, making the coffee to start the day and all the hard work she performed. Kate is missed mostly because of her sense of humor, warm smile and caring personality for all our customers. **We all cherish her memory.**”



“Her spirit is still with us” said Renee.



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