



Living, working, achieving...together



Cattle Auction

Once again, Christine Curtis-Carr and Tiffany Lamb did a fabulous job with our annual Cattle Auction! This year's auction raised over \$52,000 to support DRI and the folks. The funds raised from auctioning donated livestock and amazing items such as knives, buckles, jewelry, and more will be used to enrich the lives of the wonderful DRI community. A heartfelt thank you to Christine and Tiffany, all those who donated auction items, and everyone who attended the event!

Financing Fun!

We adore our folks and love to provide them with opportunities to have fun and socialize. Each month we treat the folks to a birthday celebration and a party on the patio. These special events cost approximately \$300 each. If you would like to help cover the cost of one of these events, simply send a check to DRI with the purpose notated on the "memo" line or make a donation online and let us know what you would like it used for in the "comment" box.

What's Coming Up?

- June 7th - Talent Show
- June 11th - Worship with the Folks
- June 14th - Monthly pizza party
- June 21st - Field trip to the Grace
- October 4th -5th - Annual Dove Hunt

Watch for upcoming events on our social media:

Facebook: Disability Resources, Inc.

Instagram: dri_abilene

Meet the DRI Staff

Join us in welcoming Carrie Cabral to the DRI family! Carrie joined DRI in March as an Administrative Assistant and is the cheery voice you will hear answering the phone when you call the campus. She recently moved to the Abilene area from California and is very quickly becoming a Texas gal! She is so kind and has been such a joyful addition to the team. Her heart is as big as Texas and she is loving getting to know



the folks! The folks and staff alike have loved having Carrie as part of the family. Welcome Carrie!

Time, Talent, and Treasures

We love it when we hear, "What can I do to help?" With a campus as large as DRI, there are always tasks that need attention! Spend some time here, and you'll often hear the phrase "time, talent, and treasures" because it takes all three to keep DRI running smoothly. If you have some time, talent, or treasures to share, here are some of our current needs:

Time:

- Lawn care and ongoing landscaping maintenance
- Cleaning and organizing the east wing of the administration building
- Volunteers for off-campus outings and special activities for our folks
- Converting a storage room in the administration building into an exam room for nurses

Talent:

- Drywall repairs needed in the vocational building
- Several rooms in various buildings require a fresh coat of paint

Treasures:

- Upgrading our equipment for internal floor maintenance
- Replacing flooring, countertops, and gable vents in Amber, Orsburn, and Address
- Upgrading/replacing some air conditioning units
- Replacing/upgrading countertops and cabinets in the Activity Center restrooms
- Acquiring a new forklift

Your support in any of these areas helps ensure that DRI remains a well-maintained, welcoming environment for everyone. If you would like to help, reach out to Debbie Hill at dhill@driabilene.org. Thank you for considering how you can contribute!

Activities Galore!

Have you stopped by the Activity Center lately? Melinda Gomez began her new position as Activities Director this spring and the folks are loving it! The new schedule she implemented is a wonderful blend of social, learning, and fun. We encourage you to visit and see what the folks are up to!

8:45-9:00 - Meeting

8:30-10:15 - Gym Time

10:15-10:30 - Break

10:30-11:15 - Prevocational/Motor Skills

11:15-12:00 - Living Skills

12:00-1:00 - Lunch

1:00-2:15 - Group Activities

2:15-3:00 - Social Time

3:00-3:15 - Break

3:15-4:00 - Education Skills

4:00-4:30 - Clean Up



Featured Folk

Beth Cypher



Meet the one and only Beth! Beth is a delightful mix of sweet and sassy, all wrapped up in a small and spunky package. This fun, lively, and joyful woman keeps everyone at DRI on their toes! Our favorite little dynamo, Beth has been part of the DRI family since 1996 when she moved to Abilene from her hometown of Gorman, TX. Every day, she brings entertainment and happiness to Orsburn House, where she lives with her sister and suite mate, Jenn, and their other amazing housemates.

When Beth isn't diligently working on one of her truly amazing coloring pages, she loves to dance and watch sports. What sports, you might ask? ANY! Beth is DRI's BIGGEST sports fan! She loves watching any sport, but wrestling, basketball, and football are her absolute favorites. For her most animated and spirited cheering, join her while she watches a Texas Tech, UT, or Alabama game. Beth loves her Red Raiders, Longhorns, and Crimson Tide and isn't afraid to show it!

Saying Beth is a joy is an understatement. She is so much more, and we are incredibly blessed to have her as part of our DRI family!



DRI exists to provide exceptional care and contented lives to intellectually challenged adults in a Christian environment.

