

## **BIOGRAPHY - MARIA OWENS**

**1. Name:**

- Maria Owens

**2. Where were you born?**

- Merrillville, Indiana

**3. Where have you lived?**

- Hobart, Indiana
- Vincennes, Indiana
- Aurora, Illinois
- Waukegan Illinois

**4. How long have you lived in the Waukegan area?**

- Since 2006

**5. What is your Education?**

- Bachelors Degree in Therapeutic Recreation

**6. What school(s) have you attended?**

- Vincennes University in Vincennes, Indiana
- Aurora University in Aurora, Illinois.

**7. Do you hold any certifications?**

- First Aid/CPR & AED
- Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI)

**8. What jobs have you had?**

- Councilor for Share Foundation with the handicapped
- Book Puller for Sylvan Learning Center
- Teacher Aid for Daycare Center
- Part-time support staff for Fox Valley Special Recreation

**9. How long have you worked in these jobs?**

- Share Foundation - 5 years
- Sylvan Learning Center -2 years
- Daycare Center - 5 years
- Fox Valley Special Recreation - 1 ½ years
- Waukegan Park District – Special Recreation Specialist – Since 2006

**10. What are your hobbies or interests?**

- Shopping, Reading, Scrap Booking, Photography, Spending time with Friends and Family

**11. Are you actively involved with any organizations or volunteer opportunities?**

- When ever possible volunteering with my Church back home in Indiana.