

Sally and Benny Davis
Nominated by
SHAWNEE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.
Case Manager: Trina Earnhart

Sally and Benny Davis of Anna know it is hard making ends meet when one family member is unemployed, but when both became unemployed it becomes a major obstacle. Sally had worked at Dyno-Nobel for 17 years and Benny for 14 years when they were laid off due to a job shift to Mexico.

After attending Rapid Response meetings, they decided to enter training at Shawnee Community College in the Business Management program. At 37 and 38 years of age, returning to school was a challenge they met head-on, and they did very well.

Sally and Benny both proved to be very good students and were active in organizations at the college. Both served as offices in Phi Beta Lambda, Benny as vice-president and Sally as president and again as secretary. Both regularly made the Vice-Presidents and Presidents Lists and both graduated with honors in July 2009.

Sally is employed as a Branch Office Administrator with Edward Jones in Anna. Benny is employed as a mental health technician at Choate Mental Heal in Anna. By working together and giving their best, they are a testament of what can be achieved with determination and hard work.

“The W.I.A. program has been a great help to us. It helped us get training to return to work. Our case manager was a great help, assisting with job referrals and helping us to obtain other supportive services”.

Benny and Sally Davis



Sally and Benny Davis with So. 14 Board Chairman Wayne Eichorn 2010 Annual Awards Dinner