## **Deborah Pitalo Snyder, Program Coordinator**

Deborah Snyder is presently assisting individuals with disabilities by providing resources, planning events and fund raising. In the past she worked in the private sector as manager of a seafood processing company which was one of the largest in the tristate area. As manager she supervised the freezer, packing room, shipping, processing, and quality control. She later tried her hand in sales at a family buying service. Within 2 weeks she was promoted to sales manager due to her successful closing rate of 90%. As sales manager she held daily sales meetings to motivate and train a sales staff of twenty. She was also responsible for overseeing the call center, catalog and showcase rooms insuring a professional atmosphere. In later years she held a real estate and insurance license. While in insurance she was awarded "Agent of the Quarter" numerous times and broke the standing company record for productivity.

Deborah studied Nursing while attending MGCCC and maintained a 3.98 GPA and scored in the upper 3% on the National TUC exam. Her score earned her a full scholarship to RN school. She also attended William Carey College for real estate.

In the late 1980's Deborah was South Mississippi's president for a prolife organization. She held yearly events in support of the right to life.

In 2010 Deborah created "Say a Prayer for Me", a Facebook page which is 337 members strong and remains active. She is presently collaborating with Becky Desporte in organizing a Christian event, "Walk for Christ". This walk has been approved by the City of Biloxi and will take place in April. It will be composed of various Christian denominations demonstrating love & support of Our Lord and Savior.

She is a lifelong resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and is familiar with the area and the people. Needless to say, she never meets a stranger.

Deborah is the mother of 4 adult children and is blessed with 8 grandchildren. It is her hope to play a small role in making the world a kinder and more peaceful place for generations to come.