



West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind

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Creating Jobs, Changing Lives

the Spotlight

2017 Spring Edition

Lighthouse Launches New Products



John McCarthy assembling the new Erasable Pens

The West Texas Lighthouse is excited to introduce several new writing instruments to our Skilcraft product line. These writing instruments will be marketed to all the federal agencies in the United States and government agencies in the State of Texas.

The first line of new products is made from recycled water bottles. Water bottles that would normally go into a landfill are recycled and

make the Eco-Bottle retractable gel pen and a highlighter.

Another new pen we will be introducing is the Erasable *Re-write*. This is an erasable pen, which is used in the same way a pencil is used. This will be available in both

a retractable and stick gel pen.

These pens will be available as of April 1, 2017. Developing new products, like these, allows us to continue to hire people who are blind or visually impaired.

“ We have been making writing instruments for over 40 years and we have the technical expertise to produce these products and this will be a big boost to the Lighthouse. Dave Wells, Executive Director ”



New Products



"I used to be a Water Bottle"



Recycled Water Bottle
Retractable Gel Pen
Medium Point
Black or Blue Ink



Recycled Highlighter

ERASABLE

Re-Write

Erasable Gel Pen
Stick or Retractable
Medium and Fine Point
Red, Black or Blue Ink



ERASABLE

Long Time Employees Remember Roosevelt Hotel

From 1963 to 1978, West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind was located on 34 North Chadbourne, just down the street from the Roosevelt Hotel.

Jesse Glenn and Mike Jaquet are the only two Lighthouse employees that have worked at both locations. They both have been employed at the Lighthouse for over 30 years.

Jesse remembers the hotel being down the street. He said on days when they did not bring their lunch, some of the employees would walk over to the Roosevelt Hotel for lunch. He said the restaurant in the hotel was called the Dutch Diner and was located on the first floor.



L to R: Jesse Glenn & Mike Jaquet

"The downtown area was easy for us to walk to work and lunch, also the bus station was almost next door", says Jesse Glenn.

"There were several small cafes in the area, but this is the one I remember the most".

The Lighthouse is now located on 2001 Austin Street and has over 60 employees.

We have continued our mission since 1963, **Creating Jobs and Changing Lives.**



Original location on 34 N. Chadbourne

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Lighthouse Office Supply Celebrates One Year



Meet the Lighthouse Office Supply team. Left to right: Terri Holland, Canyon Sullivan and Joshua Glaze

January 20, 2017 marked the one-year anniversary for Lighthouse Office Supply. That's one year of satisfied business customers, and one more year of employment for the blind and visually impaired in West Texas.

We started Lighthouse Office Supply in 2016 to create new customer service jobs for people who are blind. One of them, Canyon Sullivan, is pictured above. Today, www.LighthouseOfficeSupply.com boasts over 60,000 items in the areas of office, janitorial, breakroom, furniture, and technology...all the supplies a business needs to run smoothly.

"What we are offering is unique and incredibly valuable to businesses in West Texas", said Joshua Glaze, Lighthouse Office Supply

Manager, "the advantage of saving money AND the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of people who are blind."

Any business or individual can order products and support the Blind at *Lighthouse OfficeSupply.com*. Businesses get free shipping on all orders, and individuals get free shipping over \$40. Orders typically arrive within 1 to 2 business days.

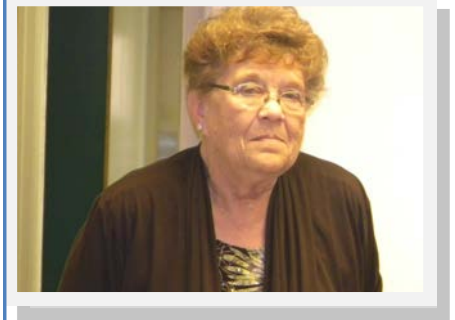
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LIGHTHOUSE SAYS GOODBYE

The Lighthouse lost one of our family members in December 2016, Margene Hale passed away.

Margene worked for the lighthouse for over 34 years before retiring in 2013. She was a respected manager and trusted employee of the Lighthouse .

She loved to knit and was known for knitting afghans. Each year she would make an afghan for the Lighthouse employee of the year. The employees took great pride in receiving one of her afghans.

She will be sadly missed by all of us who knew and worked with her.

OUR WISH LIST

Even though the Lighthouse has been striving to increase sales and remain competitive, we are still in need of additional equipment and donations.

If you would like to help, please consider the following needs:

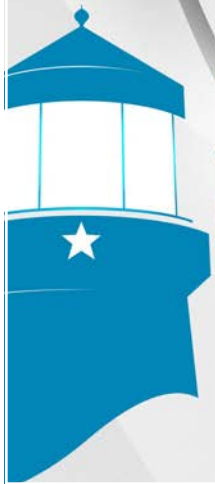
- Delivery Truck
- Packaging Equipment
- Equipment for Abilene
- Low vision eyewear

Donations can be made on our website:

www.lighthousefortheblind.org
or mail to:

2001 Austin Street
San Angelo, Texas 76903





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born blind

Delia,
born blind

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