

Join us as we
golf for a cause!

27th Annual Golf Tournament

Thursday, June 15th, 2017

Register Now



Hunters Ridge Golf Course
Marion, Iowa

Get registered today for the 27th Annual Golf Tournament. Join us as we enjoy a great afternoon of golf and support each other by standing united and making a difference! No matter your score at the end of 18 holes, your support makes you a true champion.

11:30 am - Registration

12:30 pm - Shotgun Start

4:30 pm - Dinner & Awards

Entry fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart, and dinner. On-course competitions include hole-in-one, putting green, and flag events. *Registration deadline is June 7th.

Please contact Lexi Coberly at lcoberly@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1024 for more information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

* From The Director's Desk *

Arc of East Central Iowa supporters and friends,

As many of you may know, I have resigned my position as Executive Director of The Arc of East Central Iowa and my last day is Wednesday, April 12th.



As I say goodbye I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all of the individuals who have helped the agency thrive over the past couple of years and given valuable technical assistance, advice, counsel and friendship to me during my tenure. The most joyful part of my work has been meeting and developing working and personal relationships with so many talented individuals, families, and supporters.

As I leave I reflect upon the contributions of the very able and committed Arc staff and the ever so supportive volunteers that have guided advocacy initiatives and undertakings. A lot has been accomplished, thanks to everyone's dedication, during very challenging and changing times. Because of the vision of The Arc leaders and wonderful volunteers, a strategic plan have been developed to help The Arc insure continued advocacy and programming to those in need of services well into the future. Additionally, the work of very generous staff and volunteers have brought ongoing, deserved awareness to the disability cause, the agency and those The Arc serves.

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Raffle Prizes

As we prepare for our Annual Raffle Fundraiser we are seeking item donations.

If you or someone you know would like to donate an item, please contact Lexi at lcoberly@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1024.



Iowa ABLÉ Accounts

Now Available!

ABLE accounts are available at this time. Visit www.iabile.gov for more information and to sign up for an

I'm excited to learn of the agency's future initiatives and continued progress in adding to the community's prosperity for those individuals with disabilities. I look forward to continuing my relationships with so many of you and will continue to be a frequent visitor and look forward to continuing to be involved in agency initiatives as a volunteer and supporter whenever possible.

Best wishes to all!
David Thielen

* 20th Annual Arc March *



Thank you to everyone who participated, raised money, or donated to the 2017 Arc March. Once again your collective efforts set a new record for the total amount of money raised... an amazing **\$101,453!**

It is because of your hard work and your belief in the mission of The Arc, that this event continues to be a great success.

We are so thankful for your support!

* Summer Programs * ENROLL Today

The Arc has various summer programs for your child and teen to participate in. **Sign up for summer programming has begun for all sites.**



Daycare/Enrichment Program is a year round Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) licensed daycare program, designed to serve school aged children and young adults with and without disabilities. This program focuses on skill development such as sharing, appropriate social skills, personal hygiene, and incorporates learning through field trips, crafts, and developmental activities and is held Monday through Friday at The Arc's main office, 680 2nd St. SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. **For more information contact Tara Cornelius at 319-**

365-0487, ext. 1044.

Summer Day Program - The Arc provides Summer Day programming in Linn (Cedar Rapids) and Jones (Monticello/Anamosa) counties. Both programs run for various weeks/times during the summer months and are designed as a group respite/break for parents. For more information or to request an application please contact:

Linn County - contact Tara Cornelius at 319-365-0487, ext. 1044.

Jones County - contact Katie Kiekhoefer at 319-365-0487, ext. 1016.

Check out this year's [Summer Programming Opportunities Flyer](#) for more details.

account for as little as \$25. Please feel free to contact Adam Phillips (below) or to call 888-609-8910 to speak with someone regarding these accounts.

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Iowa Family Support Network

Children At Home Grant Program

The Children at Home Grant Program has restarted for Iowa and is now distributed through the state of Iowa through the Iowa Family Support Network and it provides financial assistance.

Some of the qualifications include:

- residing in Iowa
- the child must meet the definition of developmental disability and be less than 22 years
- services or items must help enable the child to remain living in the home
- the family's net income must be less than \$60,000.

It could cover:

- special adaptive devices, nutritional supplements, respite care, camps, items to make your home safe, therapy not covered by Medicaid or insurance, or therapeutic equipment.

For more information, click here:

<http://www.iafamilysupportnetwork.org/children-at-home/application-process>



* Summer Job Openings *

We are looking for employees for our Daycare Enrichment Program and Summer Day Program. Shifts are Monday - Friday ending at 6:30 pm at the latest (depending on setting). No weekends, holidays, or nights! Beginning pay rate of \$9.90/hour plus opportunities for advancement. We offer paid training and flexible scheduling. Great opportunity for college students looking to gain experience in the Human Services field or educators seeking summer employment. Please contact Human Resources at 319-365-0487 ext. 1054 or HumanResources@arceci.org for more information. Applications are available [here](#) or at The Arc offices: 680 2nd Street SE, Suite 200 Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401.



* Get Registered For Unified Softball *

Play for The Arc Angels or The Arc Aces



No experience is necessary, just team spirit and a willingness to have fun. Find a "peer partner" and *LET'S PLAY BALL!*

(Each player is **required** to have a "peer partner" who can assist them on the field, as a coach, or in other areas as needed.) Players and partners must be at least 15 years of age.

Games will be held on Tuesday evenings from May 30th through July 18th and will be held at Ellis Park in Cedar Rapids.

[Click here for a Registration Form!](#)

*** Forms MUST be returned no later than May 1st. ***

Registration is \$10.00 which includes a team t-shirt. Additional t-shirts are available for only \$10.00 each.

This years' color is Spring Green!

For questions please contact Derek at dxayasouk@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1056.

* Voices Unlimited *

Voices Unlimited is part of The Arc of East Central Iowa's Citizen Advocacy Program. It is a social club designed primarily for adults with disabilities to enhance social skill development, yet is open to all individuals within the community.

This group provides a place where individuals can share their ideas, build friendships, and learn how to be an active participant in their community.

The social group meets twice a month, events are typically educational and/or a social event. Most gatherings take place in the evenings, Monday through Friday.



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If you are interested in what the club has to offer or for more information please contact: Derek Xayasouk at 319-365-0487 ext.1056 or dxayasouk@arceci.org.

*** Project Search ***

The Arc is accepting applications for the next Project SEARCH group which will begin in September 2017.



Project | SEARCH

Project SEARCH is an employment training program for young adults with intellectual and related disabilities. It is located at UnityPoint Health - St. Luke's Hospital.

If you would like further information, please contact Nancy Rife at (319)

365-0487 ext. 1063 or nrife@arceci.org.