

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

A long cold winter has given way to a warm wet spring and we are well on our way to summer. My how time flies! It has been exciting to be a part of the busiest time of year here at The Arc of East Central Iowa. And the most fun as well! Thanks to our dedicated volunteers, business sponsors, and supporters we have many exciting, fun filled events to enjoy all month long. They help to make memories, create laughter & joy, and help us to meet our mission of full community inclusion for persons diagnosed with disabilities.



A great example of volunteerism making a difference is The Arc's Unified Softball, running from June 4th through July 23rd. Volunteer coaches and peer partners make this a wonderful opportunity for the teams to get out there and play ball. If you enjoy watching a good softball game head out to Ellis Park on Tuesday evenings. You can download the full schedule of when the teams play below.

Another exciting June event is The Arc's Project Search graduation ceremony. After nine months of instruction and internships, graduation day is finally here. Our Project Search Program is a team effort that includes UnityPoint/St. Lukes, the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation Services and volunteer Committee members. Thank you all for being a part of this life-changing program, which leads to competitive employment in the community.

The staff and congregation of St. Mark's Lutheran Church are another example of dedicated community supporters helping to spread summer fun. They are hosts of the annual Ice Cream Social on June 12th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Thank you St. Mark's for all you do! This activity is extremely popular.

Volunteer and business support make our 29th annual Golf For A Cause Tournament possible. And thanks to Outback Steakhouse, we have a wonderful dinner before the awards and prizes are announced. This tournament helps to raise funds for the many programs and services provided by The Arc of East Central Iowa.

We are so grateful to so many who support The Arc. You are giving participants opportunities to make friends, try new things, and live life to the fullest. Your support of The Arc results in hundreds of smiles, laughter, hugs, and joyous tears. If you are looking to make a real difference, to make a lasting positive impression in a person's life, then come join us! Feel free to call me at (319) 365-0487, ext. 1000 to discuss ways you can help.

Sincerely,
Anne Armknecht, MBA HC
Executive Director

A NOTE ABOUT THE NEW MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION

As you know, the State selected Iowa Total Care (ITC) as the new Managed Care Organization (MCO) for Iowa. Although the State has said it sent out letters notifying families of their new MCO, we have heard that many have still not received the letter. Once United Healthcare announced they were leaving the Iowa market, many of their case managers interviewed for new jobs with Iowa Totalcare and Amerigroup. If you were pleased with your case manager, you can call Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME) Member Services to find out if your case manager from United Healthcare is now working for another MCO. You can also contact IME Member Services to select which MCO you would like to have. It is VERY important to do so prior to June 18th for the switch to occur by July 1st. The number for IME member services is **800-338-8366**. If you need assistance, please feel free to call The Arc anytime.



PROJECT SEARCH GRADUATION

Please join us as we say **CONGRATULATIONS** to this years' 2019 Project SEARCH graduates!

Friday, June 7th, 2019

Social Time: 3:30 - 4:00 PM

Ceremony: 4:00 PM

St. Luke's Center for Women's & Children's Health



ICE CREAM SOCIAL & FAMILY FUN NIGHT

All friends and families of The Arc are invited to join us. There will be games, karaoke, treats, and ice cream for all! Sponsored by the Staff & Congregation of St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Wednesday, June 12th, 2019
6:30 - 8:00 PM

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
8300 C Ave. NE | Marion



Please RSVP to Derek by **June 7th** at dxayasouk@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1056.

GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS

Take a chance in our wonder raffle! You could win one of our MANY fantastic prize packages. How about a Chicago Getaway? Or the opportunity to go to a Notre Dame Football Game? How about a visit to Omaha? A visit to the Mall of America? There are so many great packages to be given away! But you can't win if you don't participate.



Stop by our office Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm to get your tickets today!

Drawing will be held June 21st, 2019. Need not be present to win.

\$3.00 each | 4-\$10 | 10-\$20 | 25-\$40 | 40-\$60 | 100-\$100

TAKE A PEEK AT SOME PACKAGES YOU COULD WIN

JOHN DEERE CLASSIC - BIRDIES FOR CHARITY

The John Deere Classic is one of the biggest golf tournaments of the year. Whether you can make it to the tournament or not there is still a way you can join in all the fun. Chip in for your chance to win some great prizes while helping out your favorite charity, **The Arc!** We receive every single penny of your donation plus their 5% - 10% bonus!



Simply make a one-time flat donation OR pledge one cent or more per birdie. After the tournament, you'll be mailed a notice of your pledge amount due.

Please see the brochure for more details and your pledge card! [Birdies for Charity Brochure & Pledge Card](#) or go [online](#) to make your pledge. (Bird Number 1459)

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

COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR ARC SOFTBALL TEAMS

Looking for something to do on Tuesday evenings this summer? Come cheer on our two wonderful unified softball teams as they have fun playing ball!

The Arc Angels & The Arc Aces

Games will be held on Tuesday evenings from June 4th through July 23rd and will be held at Ellis Park in Cedar Rapids.



DANCE PARTY ON THE PATIO WITH JOURNEY OF HOPE

Tuesday, July 16th
6:00 - 8:00 pm

\$5.00 admission fee

Come hang out with the guys from Journey of Hope!

Have some fun with them and your friends dancing to some rockin' music on The Arc's patio. (680 2nd Street SE | Cedar Rapids) There will also be outdoor games to play!



No need to RSVP... just show up!

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