

* From The Director's Desk *

Greetings,

The new fiscal year started on July 1st. After a year that required lots of adjustment we are off to a great start this year. Overall service goals have exceeded budget, which means we are providing more services to more people. We could not be happier to see this trend and we are doing our best to stay focused on maintaining this momentum.



Our annual meeting and awards were held on Monday, September 25th. This event is to acknowledge the people who go above and beyond to help The Arc achieve our mission. So many great people doing so many selfless and great things. It is truly a night that allows reflection on just how many good people there are doing kind acts to make our community a better place. Congratulations and thank you to all the award winners and the many others who have shared their time and talent.

I would like to welcome three new members to our Board of Directors:

- Steve Carter - Branch Manager, Dr. Pepper Snapple Group
- Stacy Baye - Investigator, Cedar Rapids Police Department
- Kody Slife - Dietary Aide/Self Advocate, Summit Pointe

Their three year term started on October 1st and they will participate in their first meeting on Monday, October 30th. We are truly grateful to them for agreeing to serve on our board and we look forward to them sharing their respective insights and talents.

You will soon be receiving our Annual Campaign in the mail. This year we are featuring the Todd family who has shared their story of hope and how their partnership with The Arc has provided critical services to keep their family together and their careers on track. You will learn this journey took time and required placing trust in others to care for their son. We showcase a different family each year so that you can see that each family has a different story, but they all have a common need.

Your support of our annual appeal is vital to assuring we have the right services to meet the needs of individuals of all ages. This includes exploring new services, maintaining program materials and equipment, staff training, and many other costs not covered by service reimbursements. We rely on your support and your belief in The Arc's mission to continue the legacy that was started in 1953 by parents who worked tirelessly for what they believed was best life for their children. Can we count on you?

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather!

Kyle Schramp
Interim Executive Director



Guardianships & Conservatorships

with David Wenzel, Attorney
from Lynch Dallas, P.C.

Monday, November 6th

6:30 - 7:30 pm

St. Paul Lutheran Church - Christian Ed Building

201 N Ford Street | Anamosa

Please join us in Anamosa as David Wenzel, an attorney from Lynch Dallas, P.C., covers the basics of guardianships and conservatorships and how to go about the process. **Part of the Family & Community Workshop Series.**

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Halloween Dance



Friday, October 27th
7:00 - 9:00 pm

NW Rec Center
1340 11th Street NW
Cedar Rapids

Put on your costume and join your friends at the NW Rec Center for a night of dancing and fun! Dance and groove to the music and enjoy snacks and drinks. Prizes will be awarded for the best costume!

All Ages Welcome!
\$5.00 per person

No need to pre-register.
Pay at the door!

Arc Apparel

If you are interested in ordering some Arc Apparel, please return the order form(s) with payment to The Arc's Main Office before Wednesday, Oct. 27th.

[Order Forms](#)



Please RSVP by November 1st to Bailey at bfreese@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1001.

Sunday Fun Day Fun!

Thank you to everyone that joined us for Sunday Funday! It was a beautiful day to hang out and enjoy the weather. We also enjoyed Face Painting, Balloon Twisting, Kona Ice, and games!



The Arc's Holiday Party

Sunday, December 10th

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Hallagan Center at
Mercy Medical Center

Santa, Hot Cocoa Bar, Cookie Decorating,
Crafts, Games, Face Painting, Photo Booth,
Mr. Shucks, and more!

Fun for the whole family!

Please RSVP with the number attending by Dec. 5th to Lexi at lcoberly@arceci.org or 319-365-0487 ext. 1024.

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