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**The Arc
Advocate**

May/June 2019



The blues and cold of winter are finally leaving us and summertime is just around the corner! As we enjoy May flowers, we would like to remind all of our families and friends that after the long Memorial Day weekend, The Arc Dearborn will be returning to summer hours. This means that The Arc will be closing at 3:15 pm instead of our normal 4:00 pm. Summer hours will not affect our Community Program, which will still end at 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

We would like to extend a sincere “thank you” for all those who supported our dinner fundraiser by the student organization Alliance for DisAbility Awareness at U of M Dearborn. We are looking forward to what lies in store next year for our Spring Gala Silent Auction, so please be sure to check our facebook page and website for all the details!

Finally, with summer fast approaching and nice weather opening up outing opportunities, we are always looking for kind and motivated people to volunteer at our Community Program. We ask anyone interested to please contact our Program Director Kevin Schwartz at 313-562-1787.

Wishing you sunny days ahead!

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Membership Dues		
New Member		
Renewing Member		
Individual Membership	\$35	
Annual Family Membership	\$40	
Contributing Membership	\$50	
Corporate Membership	\$100	
Patron Membership	\$100	
Donations		
Other \$		
\$25	\$50	\$100
Please Make Checks Payable to: The Arc Dearborn		
All dues are billed annually upon date of approved membership.		

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*Please list any applicant over 18 who will be included in your membership. Thank you.	
Membership Application	
*NAME(S)	
ADDRESS	
CITY	
STATE	
ZIP	
E-MAIL	
DAYTIME TELEPHONE ()	
B-Day(s) / /	
NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY TO BE INCLUDED IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP:	
NAME	
B-Day / /	
ADDRESS (if different)	
Telephone Number	
United Way	
Member Agency	
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The Arc is people – people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities, parents and other family members, friends of people with intellectual disabilities and professionals who work with them. The Arc is a grassroots organization with 140,000 members who are affiliated through approximately 730 state and local chapters across the nation.

Our Mission: The Arc Dearborn provides a wide range of supportive services, information and advocacy to improve the quality of life for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. The Arc promotes opportunities to live, learn and work in Dearborn, Dearborn Heights and surrounding communities among family, friends and neighbors.

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Why is Membership Important?

When you become a member of The Arc Dearborn, you become a part of the largest and strongest organization in the country working on behalf of more than 7 million Americans with developmental disabilities. You will be connecting to a vast network of resources and dedicated professionals committed to ensure that all people with developmental disabilities are provided the opportunity to live life to the fullest, most productive life possible.

Membership is easy. You may choose from a variety of membership categories for an annual investment of \$35-\$100. You may find a membership application on the back of this newsletter. Please become a new member or renew your membership today!

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

TBD

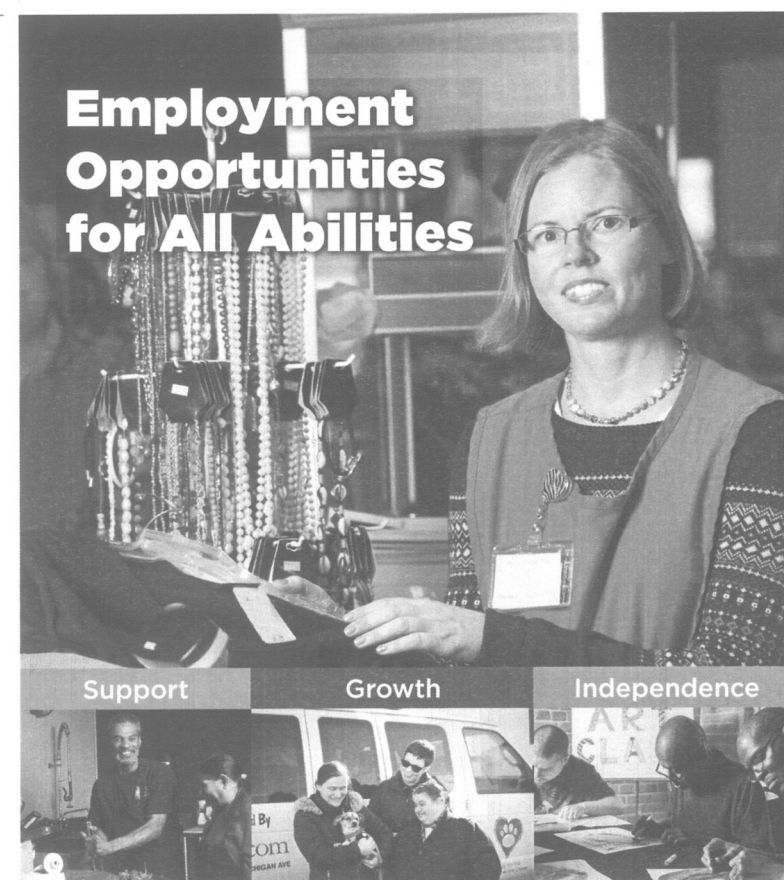
at The Arc Dearborn
Welcome Theresa Staples,
New Board Member

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Detroit Wayne Mental
Health Authority**
1.888.490.9698

**Community Living
Services**
1.866.381.7600

**Office of
Recipient Rights**
1.888.339.5595



(STEP) Services To Enhance Potential provides supports and services to over 1,300 individuals with disabilities and other mental health needs in the Wayne County area. Individuals with barriers to employment are enabled to reach their best potential and life goals through self-employment, supported employment, volunteer opportunities, and a variety of programs and trainings.

STEP is the owner and operator of three **STEP Thrift Store and Donation Centers**, formerly known as Tried and True Thrift Stores. Customers who shop and/or donate at any of our thrift store locations are helping the consumers of STEP services become proud members of society.

STEP Thrift Store and Donation Center locations:

35004 W Michigan Ave Wayne, MI 48184 (734) 728-9777	15431 Dix Toledo Rd Southgate, MI 48195 (734) 284-0814	23830 Ford Rd Dearborn Hts, MI 48127 (313) 633-0755
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2941 S. Gulley Rd.
Dearborn, MI 48124
(313) 278-3040
STEPcentral.org

facebook.com/enhancepotential

Advertise in The Arc Advocate!

Advocates for people with developmental disabilities and their families.

The Arc Advocate is published bi-monthly.

The Arc Dearborn has over 250 members, friends, businesses, and organizations that receive our newsletter.

Circle size and number of ads desired below:

Available Space	Full Year Donation	One Ad
1/8 Page (Business Card)	\$50	\$6
1/4 Page	\$90	\$10
1/2 Page	\$150	\$25
Full Page	\$225	\$40

Please enclose a business card or ad layout for the size ad you choose.

Layouts can be emailed to info@thearcdearborn.org.

Make checks payable to: The Arc Dearborn, 22450 Park Street, Dearborn, MI 48124

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Telephone: (____) _____

Advertising in our newsletter will generate funds to help offset costs. According to US Post Office Regulations, as a non-profit organization, we cannot accept advertising from travel agents, insurance agents and financial planners.



*Many Years -
Many Thanks -*

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DIRECT LINE: 313-730-1818
E-MAIL: BARBARA.KELEMAN@GMAIL.COM

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**Residential Homes
Commercial Properties
Vacation Homes
Gladwin County
Specialist
Wiggins Lake Specialist**

LAURIE HAFLER



989-329-7084
1005 N. State (M-18)
Gladwin, MI 48624
E-mail: Re1lhafler@gmail.com



The Arc Michigan's Disability Policy Seminar

Friday, June 28th, 9 am to 3 pm

Held at the **MSU University Club**
3435 Forest Road, Lansing, MI 48910

Tickets are \$100.00, or \$45.00 for a person with a disability. The day starts with a continental breakfast, and then continues on with presentations throughout the day.

For those wishing to stay in Lansing the night before, a block of rooms has been reserved at the venue. The cost is \$75 for a studio/\$134 for 1 bedroom at the Candlewood Suites, and can be booked at 517-351-8181.

For additional information, please contact Courtney Trunk at The Arc Michigan, 517-487-5426, or email courtney@arcmi.org.

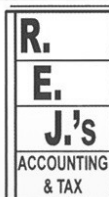
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for all you do
from your friends:*

**Fred Hoffman
&
Jim Stokes**



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Ad Space Available


The Arc
Dearborn

Job Opening

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Enrich your life while enriching the lives of the ID/DD community as a Direct Support Professional at The Arc Dearborn Community Program. Full and part time positions available. Work MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:15am-3:15am (NO WEEKENDS and NO HOLIDAYS!). We are looking for responsible, energetic, and creative individuals who have a passion for working with the ID/DD population and will strive to make a difference in their lives. Must also have a valid driver's license and be able to drive a passenger vehicle. Background checks are required. Please visit <http://www.thearcdearborn.org> to fill out an online application or call Kevin Schwartz at 313-562-1787 for more information.

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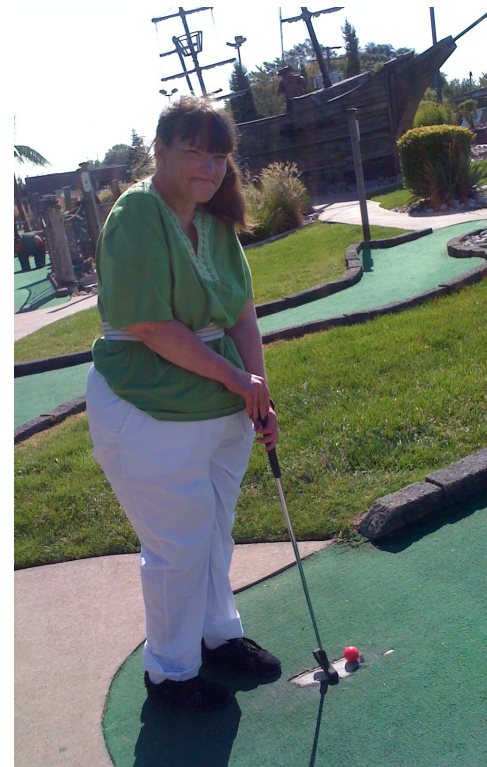
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2019 ANNUAL MEETING

AND COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON
DETROIT-DEARBORN
5801 SOUTHFIELD FWY, DETROIT, MI 48228
MAY 15, 2019
11 AM - BOARD MEETING
12:30 PM - COMMUNITY LUNCHEON



Summertime Vibes



Dearborn Specials / Arts & Recreation Enabling Program

For nearly three decades, the Dearborn Recreation Department has sponsored the Dearborn Specials/Arts & Recreation Enabling program for adults with disabilities and their families and friends.

All of the activities are hosted or instructed by Recreation Specialist Camille Gibson and take place at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center.

Please call 313-943-2350 to register for classes and events.

May Pizza & Bingo

Pizza and Bingo nights are held on Tuesdays.

May's Pizza and Bingo night will be held on May 28th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Cost: \$11

Cost includes pizza, pop, bingo games and lots of prizes.



May Dance

Dances are held on the second Tuesday of the month.

May's dance will be held on May 14th from 7pm to 9pm in the Hubbard Ball Room and will feature a live DJ.

Cost: \$4

Cost includes refreshments.



May Birthdays

Jason Cook	May 4th
William Miller	May 7th
Danny Tataranowicz	May 7th
Nancy Draper	May 7th
Noah Trojan	May 7th
Penny Wooden	May 9th
Cheryl Holden	May 11th
Michelle Wolfe	May 13th
Robert Smedley	May 16th
Fred Hoffman	May 18th
Annaliese Nygord	May 19th
Richard Drew	May 19th
Norm Delisle	May 22nd
Alice Eatinger	May 27th



June Birthdays

Melissa Shufeldt	June 4th
Jim Stokes	June 5th
Mohammad Abdalla	June 7th
Lisa Nygord	June 8th
Teresa Galvan	June 8th
John Hall	June 11th
Chuck Zemens	June 11th
Andrew Baron	June 15th
Maher Hammoud	June 19th
Leon Williams	June 28th
Bob Dickson	June 29th
Sharon Riegle	June 29th

MONTHLY

SENSORY FRIENDLY FILMS at AMC

AMC Entertainment and the Autism Society have teamed up to bring families affected by autism and other disabilities a special opportunity to enjoy their favorite films in a safe and accepting environment on a monthly basis with the "Sensory Friendly Films" program.

In order to provide a more accepting and comfortable setting for this unique audience, the movie auditoriums will have their lights brought up and the sound turned down, and no pre-views



or advertisements will be shown before the movie. Additionally, audience members are welcome to get up and dance, walk, shout or sing - in other words, AMC's "Silence is Golden®" policy will not be enforced unless the

safety of the audience is questioned.

The Sensory Friendly Film program is available on the **second and fourth Saturday (family-friendly)** and **Tuesday evenings (mature audiences)** of every month. Please check your local theatre listings for specific showtimes, and don't forget to share your family fun with #AMCSensoryFriendly.

Movies begin at 7 pm on Tuesdays and 10 am on Saturdays

All dates and times are subject to change.

May and June's movies have not been posted yet. Please check their website at:

amctheatres.com/programs/sensory-friendly-films

Area Locations

AMC Livonia 20, 19500 Haggerty Rd, Livonia
AMC Gratiot 21, 35705 South Gratiot Ave, Clinton Twp.
AMC Forum 30, 44681 Mound Rd, Sterling Heights

**The Arc Dearborn
will be
CLOSED
Monday, May 27th
for Memorial Day.**



Two Ways to Shop and Support The Arc Dearborn!

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Want to help The Arc Dearborn by shopping at Kroger? Now you can by registering your Kroger Plus card online and making purchases at Kroger.

AMAZONSMILE

Shop all the great buys at Amazon and support The Arc Dearborn using AmazonSmile.

To use AmazonSmile, you simply type "smile.amazon.com" in your web browser. Before you start searching, it will prompt you to pick a charity. The Arc Dearborn is listed as "Arc Dearborn-Dearborn Heights Inc".



Buy a Brick

Mail, Fax, or E-mail response to:
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Phone: 313.562.1787 Fax: 313.562.0387
Email: info@thearcdearborn.org

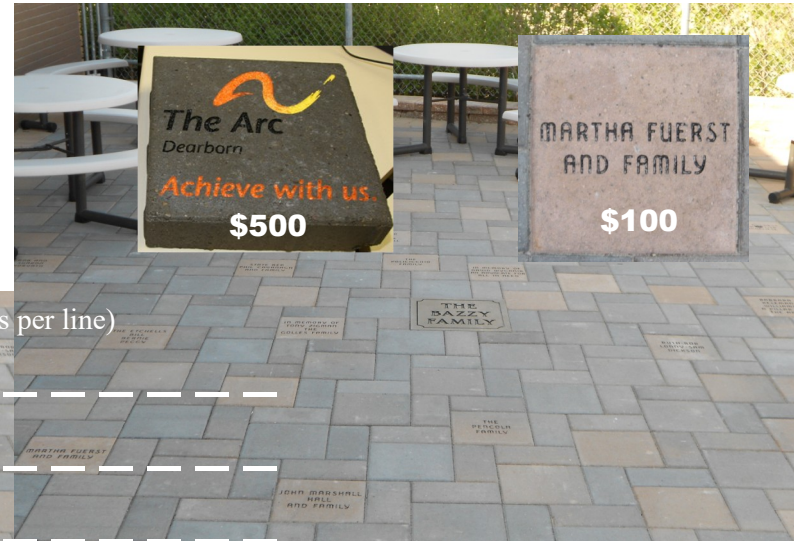
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Company Name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Zip Code: _____

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- All spelling and grammar is final. Please verify before submitting.
- Message content is subject to The Arc's approval.
- Please supply artwork for LOGO on corporate brick.

Custom Corporate Brick \$500: _____
Family Brick \$100: _____
Additional Donation: _____
Total Amount: _____

Become a Part of The Arc Dearborn's Legacy and BUY A PATIO BRICK!!



Payment Method:

- ☐ VISA ☐ Check
☐ MasterCard ☐ Cash

Name as it Appears on Card (please print)

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date

Security Code



SIGNATURE

Below are the items that our program uses on a daily basis. We can thrive by the generous contributions of our members and friends. Please be a friend to The Arc today!

High Use Items

- Hand Sanitizer
- Kleenex
- Wipes
- Lysol Disinfectant
- 45-55 Gallon Garbage Bags
- High Efficiency Laundry Detergent
- High Efficiency Dishwasher Detergent
- Hand Soap
- Kitchen Sponges
- Paper, Post-it-notes
- Steno Note Pads
- Rechargeable Batteries (AA, AAA, C, and D)



Every Day Items

- Sturdy Paper Plates
- Napkins
- Plastic Ware

Art Supplies

- Drawing Paper
- Colored Markers
- Colored Pencils
- Paint
- Canvas
- Glue/Glue Sticks
- Colored Paper
- Construction Paper

Coffee Supplies

- Cream & Sugar
- Decaffeinated Coffee

Games

- Simon
- Kerplunk
- Puzzles (Age appropriate/less than 500 pieces)
- Any age appropriate board games
- Wii games: Mario Party 8, Karaoke Revolution



Let's Talk Transition

A day-long workshop about students with IEPs making the transition to adulthood.

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019
9:30AM – 2:30PM

Sign-in opens at 9:00AM.
Lunch provided.

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Student Welcome Center
8200 West Outer Drive, Detroit 48219



High School Transition with Sandee Koski, Michigan Alliance for Families

We will provide you with transition information, resources and tools to start planning for the future. Learn how high school classes and the school environment can help develop important skills and build pre-employment knowledge.

Transition Planning with Lisa Cook Gordon, Michigan Family Voices & Terra Depew, CSHCS Transition Consultant

This workshop will give an overview of health care transition planning, including

- Planning and identifying future goals
- Objectives and concerns for the future
- Barriers to health care transition

Participants will be provided with medical transition health care skills checklists, coverage options, planning tools and resources

Hosted by Clare Brick, Kenya Harper Black, and Debbie Townley
RSVP with Debbie Townley May 4, 2019



(313) 405-2352 or debbie@michiganallianceforfamilies.org
[Register online www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/rsvp](http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/rsvp)

Please note: To be good stewards of our funding resources, we need a minimum number of participants registered by the registration deadline for the presentation to be held. If it is after the deadline and you haven't registered, please call or email to check the status of the event. If you require accommodations or materials in an alternative format, please let us know one week before the workshop.

Coordinated by the Michigan Alliance for Families. All workshops are free and open to the public. Michigan Alliance for Families is an IDEA Grant Funded Initiative of the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Special Education, and Michigan's federal Parent Training and Information Center (PTIC) funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP).

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