The William M. BeDell Achievement and Resource Center Newsletter

April | May | June 2023



HAPPY CAMPERS

Residents Josh, Claude and John, left, attended Camp New Hope and had a great time participating in arts and crafts, games, fishing, boating, swimming, sports, music, sing-alongs, story time and more. Programs and activities are planned to accommodate the abilities of each person. Many thanks to the Madison County Mental Health Board for sponsoring individuals each year. Our campers look forward to the fun and fellowship each year.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please consider a new membership (or membership renewal) to The William M. BeDell Achievement and Resource Center. Our members provide support to our agency and stay informed about the arc mission, events and activities in the community. It's a small way to advocate for those with developmental disabilities. Memberships are \$15.00 and support our Community Day Services, Family Support, Residential and School Programs. Please complete the form and return it with your donation. Thank you for your support!



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Three students graduated from our School Program on May 26. Congratulations to Cameron, Dylan and Eric on their accomplishment and progress. We will miss their smiles and wish them well.



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Service Facilitator, **Stephen Hobbs**, pictured left, for being named Employee of the Month in June. Stephen was nominated by his peers for his dedication to the agency by taking on extra tasks to ensure the clients are well cared for. Stephen joined arc in 2013 as a para professional in our School Program. In 2017, he became the Service Facilitator for the Residential Program. His role includes managing health care appointments, maintaining client documents, attending community events, providing transportation and much more to meet the needs of our 21 residents. Thank you for your commitment to arc, Steve!



CDS ON THE MOVE

Participants of the arc Community Day Services Program are staying active and making great memories this summer. Pictured above left: Claude selling dog treats (made and packaged by individuals at CDS) at the Alton Farmers' and Artisans' Market. Center, James looking forward to his ice cream at a local shop. Right, Bobby working to recycle materials at a site in Madison County. Individuals are also enjoying outings in St. Louis including a trip to the Zoo. Pictured left to right: John, Andy, Jeff, Claude and staff members, Madison Bodi, Developmental Trainer, and Jackie Wofford, Community Integration Specialist. Follow us on Facebook to see more of our activities in the community.



WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

Heather Burbank-Leach, CDS ■ Anna Amizich, School

Valerie Bassett, School ■ JoAnn Mitzel, School ■ Madeline Crawford, I-CILA

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PERFECT ATTENDEES

Annice Bodi, CDS-March

Tamara Grant, CILA—April

Rene Woike, School—May



Individuals from the Family Support Unit love Cardinal baseball! Thanks to the Cardinals Care Foundation for giving us this experience each summer.

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Mission Statement:

To provide the highest quality of services to children and adults who have a developmental disability, who reside in Madison County, Illinois.

Serving individuals with a developmental disability since 1957.

arc is a non-profit organization as stated under Section 501 (c) 3 of the IRS Code.

Donations are tax deductible and memberships are \$15.00 annually.

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