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The Art Class is in need of volunteers to help students during class on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested, please call the office at 734-283-0710.

Art at the Arc Reception
Thursday, November 16, 2023
 6:00 - 7:30 pm

There will be LIVE MUSIC!


Please join us as we celebrate the artists' accomplishments during the Art at the Arc program.

*The reception is located downstairs at the Wyandotte Arts Center
 81 Chestnut Street, Wyandotte*



The Artist work will be sold for \$30 each. All proceeds from the sold art work goes directly to the Artist.

Note Cards are available for \$10 per pack of 12 cards with envelopes.



The Mission of the Arc Downriver is to advocate for people living with all levels of intellectual and developmental disabilities. By helping to promote choices, creating opportunities, and providing the support needed to fully participate in their communities so that they can live productive lives.

Mission Statement

To advocate for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, have cognitive impairments and their families by promoting choices, creating opportunities, and providing support needed to *fully participate* in the community.

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TheArcDownriverOFFICIAL](http://www.facebook.com/TheArcDownriverOFFICIAL)

Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday
9:30 am - 2:00 pm
Friday – Closed

Please call before coming to the office to make sure that someone is at the office to assist you, thank you!!

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Advocates:

Working to fulfill the mission in accordance with the Arc of the United States, advocating for individuals who are intellectual developmentally disabilities and/or cognitively impaired and their families by promoting choices, creating opportunities and providing support needed to fully participate in the community.

Serving eighteen communities in the Downriver area for 65 years: Allen Park, Brownstown Township, Ecorse, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, New Boston, River Rouge, Riverview, Rockwood, Romulus, Southgate, Taylor, Trenton, Woodhaven and Wyandotte.



**Our Monthly Dance is Saturday, November 18
6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Arkay Building on Eureka Rd.**

***You MUST call or email the office to let us know you
will be attending for us to have a enough for all.***

If you would like to purchase pizza, there will be a \$2.00 fee at the door. You can bring your own pop, water or coffee to the dance. Bottled water will be available.

You **MUST** be a member to attend. Your friends **MUST** also be a member to attend. We welcome their support of the Arc Downriver.

If your membership has expired, please contact the office at 734-283-0710 or go to our website at downriverarc.org to fill out the form and pay on line.

If you haven't already done so, please fill out a new emergency card and a new Consumer Policy Form. There will be copies at the door.

Our Next Dance is Saturday, December 16.

Sports News:

- **To all Arc Downriver Athletes that have previously registered for Basketball: There will be a Basketball Meeting on Wednesday, November 8 at 7:00 pm. Location is at West Middle School in Taylor. Practices will begin the week of November 27th. Your Coaches will let you know your schedule.**
 - * **No drop ins will be allowed. All teams are full.**
- **We are in need of volunteers and donations for the Polar Plunge on Saturday, February 17, 2024. See Brenda for more details.**

*We can not be successful with out you. As we say, "it takes a village".
Let's keep this organization running strong for years to come. Thank you!!*

Art at the Arc News

**They are in need of volunteers to help with Wednesday night classes.
Please call the office if you are interested at (734) 283-0710.**

Art at the Arc is a therapeutic acrylic painting class. The 4-week sessions takes place at the Arkay Building (5:30 - 7:00 pm) and is taught by *Elroy Grandy*, one of Downriver's finest artists.
There is a \$25.00 fee per 4 week session.

◆ Artists please pay during class, not at the Arc Downriver office, on or before each session so that we may plan accordingly as classes fill up quickly. **Each class session is limited to 16 students this year**, make sure you register before each 4 week session.

Art at the Arc Class Registration for December 6, 13, 20

\$25 Fee is Non-
Refundable and
Non-Transferable

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____
Email _____

Amount Paid _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Staff Initials _____

Art at The Arc staff would really appreciate it if all art students pay for their monthly art class fee during Art Class hours not at the office. If for some reason you are unable to do this, and have paid at the Arc Downriver office, please bring your receipt on the evening the class begins so the staff will know that you have paid for that class and can add your name to the list of students. If you can not pay, but would like to participate contact the office (734-283-0710) or tell a staff member.

Thank you

ADVENTURE CLUB NEWS

Adventure Club is on Thursday, November 9th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm.

DOORS OPEN AT 4:45! Please do not arrive for Adventure Club before 4:45 pm. Thank you!!

Located at the Arkay Building, 15221 Eureka in Southgate next to the Olive Garden.

Thursday Night Activities

It's Bingo Night!

The Adventure Club is in need of donations such as single serve snacks & bottled water or single serve pop. They also really need volunteers to help! Call the office at 734-283-0710.

See Megan for more information. Thank you!

Participants in Adventure Club, Art at the Arc, and the dances **MUST:**

- have a *current* Arc Downriver membership
- have a *signed* Consumer Activity Policy and emergency on file.

If YOU need to renew your membership, sign the new Consumer Activity Policy or update your Emergency Card, please see Megan.



*Memorial Donation for
Michael May*

Given by : Stephanie Nankervis



*Thank you very much for your
October Donations:*

- ◆ **Our Monthly Donators: Craig Soubliere and Jean Dowis.**
- ◆ **Terry Frodyma-Griffith**
- ◆ **Rollie Keller and Family**
- ◆ **Robert Straub**
- ◆ **Allan Meininger**
- ◆ **Tricia Sabat**

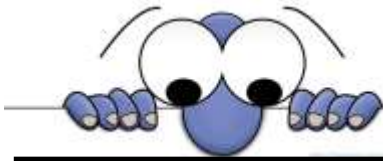
- ◆ **Thank you to all that donated for the Halloween Dance Sports Fundraiser!**

- ◆ **Thank you to The Knights of Columbus of Wyandotte.**



INDIVIDUAL DONORS

*The Board of Directors and staff thank all
who have been so generous with your dona-
tions, coaching, volunteering and support of
everything that is offered through
The Arc Downriver!*



A Friendly Reminder: It's Time to Renew!
Please help the Arc Downriver continue it's mission.
WE NEED YOU!

Please renew your membership by mail, bring to the office or pay on-line at downriverarc.org as soon as possible! Thank you!

Please note that being a member of another Arc does not mean you are a member of the Arc Downriver. Your updated Membership is required and must be up to date to be able to participate in the following: Dances, Sports Programs, Arc Downriver events, Adventure Club, Art at the Arc or receive your requested mailed newsletter.

Donald Barber	7/31/2023
Mickaela Bartel	9/30/2023
Theresa Beard	11/30/2023
Rebecca Benavides	4/30/2023
Jeffrey Bertolino	8/31/2023
Tina Boichot	1/31/2023
Jirard Bond	8/31/2023
Michael Bozymowski	1/31/2023
BreAnna Bray	5/31/2023
Melanie Case	1/31/2023
William Cloutier	10/31/2023
Timothy Cooke	11/30/2023
Dennis Cullinan	10/31/2023
Robert Deason	12/31/2023
Derrick Donaldson	12/31/2023
Desiree Estrada	12/31/2023
John Gentis	12/31/2023
Cindy Gourlay	10/31/2023
Yul Green	11/30/2023
Carlos Gutierrez	7/31/2023
Natalie Halko	10/31/2023
Lisa Hall	10/31/2023
Trevor Hamm	3/31/2023
Brittany Harris	3/31/2023
Patti Heitchue	11/30/2023
Laurie Hernadez	8/31/2023
Johnny Huebner	12/31/2023
Lori Huntington	9/30/2023
Jessica Hutchison	4/30/2023
Daryl Jamieson	5/31/2023
Emmanual Jimenez	11/30/2023
Linda Junod	10/31/2023
Aubree Kirchoff	7/31/2023
Rachel Lessard	7/31/2023
Karen Lucy	8/31/2023



Frank Manzari	11/30/2023
Carla March	11/30/2023
Delia Martin	10/31/2023
Isabella McManus	3/31/2023
Amy Nael	3/31/2023
Tom Nankervis	11/30/2023
Rachel Noche	5/31/2023
Colleen Paul	4/30/2023
Tamra Perkins	9/30/2023
Eda Risk	11/30/2023
Ruth Rose	10/31/2023
Dante Rosinski	11/30/2023
Nicholas Russell	10/31/2023
Rebecca Salinas	4/30/2023
Kathy Smalley	10/31/2023
Thomas Stone	9/30/2023
Daniel Swisz	8/31/2023
Mark Tabor	10/31/2023

Expired Organizations:	
Helen Home	11/30/2023
Royal Circle Home	8/31/2023
Weddel Home	5/31/2023

If you no longer see your name on this expired list and have not updated your membership in a while you will need to sign-up as a New Member. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 734-283-0710, thank you.

We could use another voice...yours. Please decide to help others. Join the Arc movement.

____NEW MEMBERSHIP OR ____RENEWAL APPLICATION

Type of Membership (check one): ____Individual ____Family ____Group Home

INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP — Please fill out this section

First Name(s) _____ Last Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Participant's Name _____ Participant's Birthdate _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Please check one of the following boxes:

Self-Advocate

Professional in the Field of Developmental Disabilities

Self-Determination Home

Parent/Relative of Person with Developmental Disabilities

GROUP HOMES — Please fill out this section.

Group Home Name _____ Phone Number _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Group Home Manager _____ Number of Residents _____

Please list the group home residents below along with their birthday. Use an additional page if needed.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Birth Date _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Birth Date _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Birth Date _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Birth Date _____

\$ _____ Membership Fee (\$30 for individual, family, or group home) – **non-refundable**

\$ _____ Additional Donation

\$ _____ Total Amount Enclosed

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KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM FOR THE ARC DOWNRIVER

The Arc Downriver is enrolled in the Community Rewards Program at Kroger. You can enroll using your Kroger Plus card following the steps below: If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, stop by the customer service desk at Kroger to get one before proceeding with the enrollment process.

- Register online at krogercommunityrewards.com.
- Click on Sign In/Register and click on Sign Up Today in the New Customer box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address, creating a password, and agreeing to the terms and conditions.
- You will get a message to check your email account. Click on the link in the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter the NSP number for The Arc Downriver (**EL661**), select organization from the list, and click on to confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.

REMEMBER:

- Purchases will not count for The Arc Downriver until you register your card.
- If you lost your Kroger Plus card and just use your phone number when checking out in the store, please call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
- You must swipe your Kroger Plus card or use the phone number associated to that card when shopping for each purchase to count.



The Advocates at The Arc Downriver would really like to offer presentations and trainings to self-advocates, family members, education staff, agency staff and community members, but we simply do not have the funds to do so. The trainings/presentations would be on topics that relate to education (IEPs, suspensions, behavior interventions, etc.), independent living (how to obtain housing, recreation, access community supports, etc.), health issues (CPR Training, seizure training, etc.) and more!

Lori and Linda would *love* to be able to share some of their knowledge, answer your questions and provide support. ***Please consider donating!*** If you would like to support this endeavor through a donation, please write ***for ADVOCACY Trainings*** in the memo line of your check and mail it to: The Arc Downriver, 1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192. *Thank You!*

Please Help the Arc Downriver Achieve for the Future!

To help us reduce expenses and meet our Organization's mission we are in need of the items listed below. Should you have any of these items that are new and would like to donate them to our organization, please drop off at the Arc Downriver at 1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192 or contact the office at (734) 283-0710. With your donation and continued support of any item on this list, you are helping us fulfill our mission of providing programs, services and advocacy for people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities:

Items for Fundraising and Programs:

Fundraising is our main source of income for our organization so any and all donations are greatly appreciated.

- Restaurant Gift Cards, Shopping Gift Cards, etc.
- Tickets to Sporting Events
- Tickets to Entertainment/Cultural Events
- Gift Certificates for Spa's, Hotels, Restaurants
- Sports Memorabilia
- Bottle Water
- Monetary Donation (cash, check or on our website at www.downriverarc.org)

Hygiene Closet at the Arc Downriver Office:

- Tooth Brushes
- Toothpaste
- New Combs and Brushes
- Shampoo/Conditioner (men & women)
- Soap & Body Washes (men & women)
- Deodorant (men & women)
- Laundry Detergent
- Hand Sanitizer
- Underwear (men & women sizes large and up)
- Socks (men and women)
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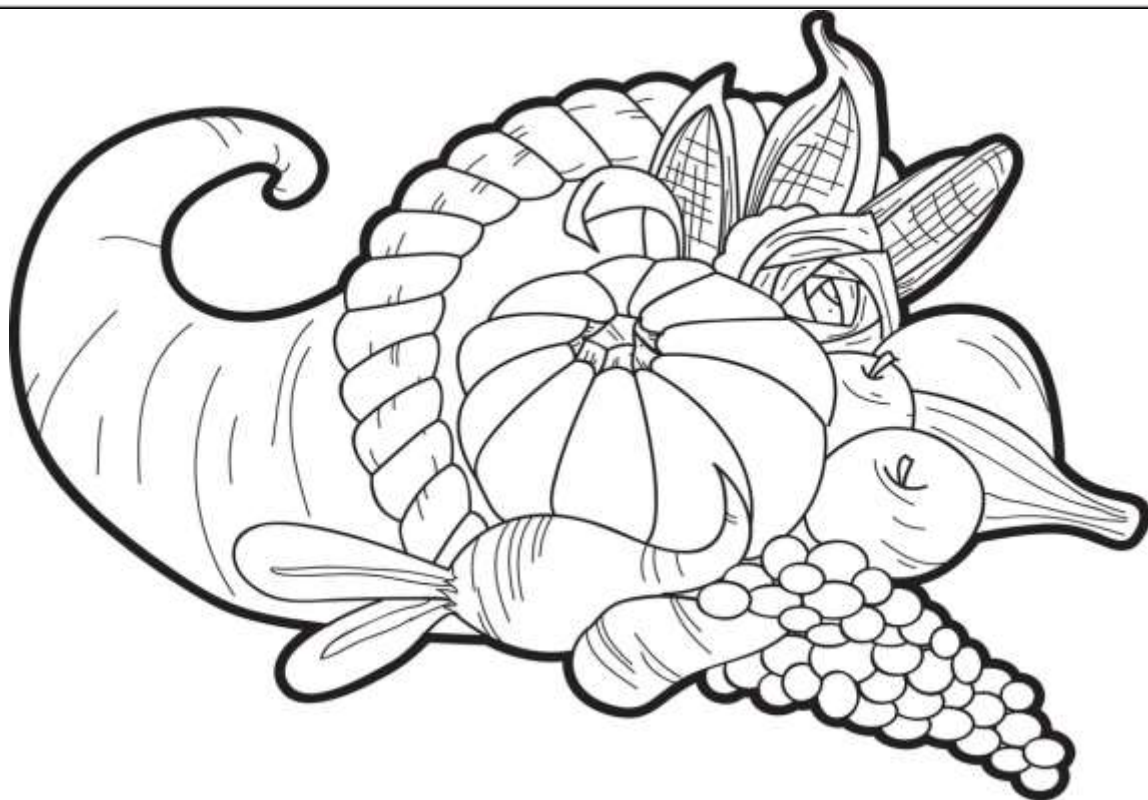
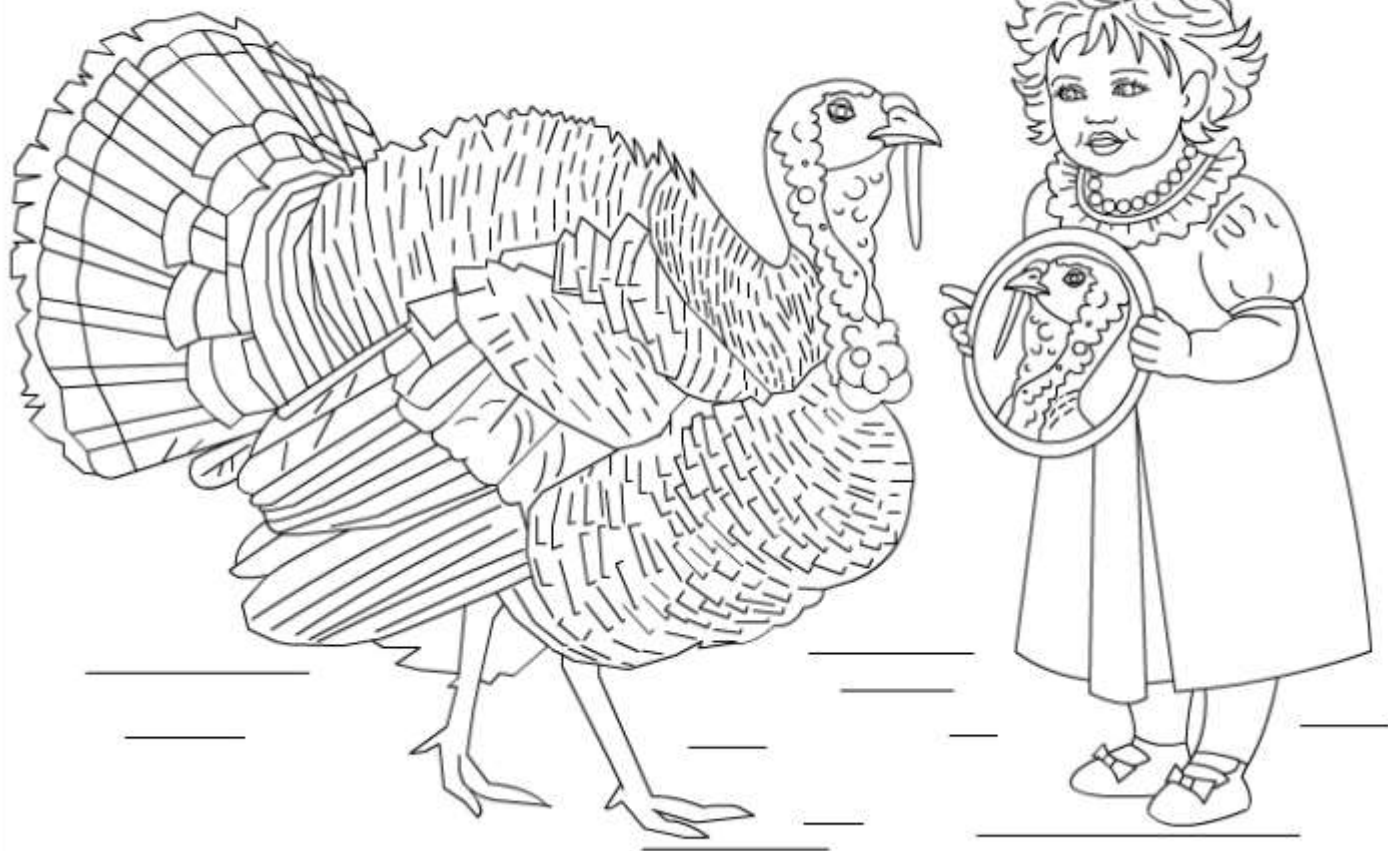
Possible Sports Equipment/Needs:

- Assistant Coaches/Volunteers needed and necessary!
- See Brenda Zeqiri for more information on needs for the Sports Program

Art Supplies:



- Bottled Water
- Craft Supplies (coloring sheets, construction paper, glue, beads, markers, crayons, etc.)
- Gift Cards for Craft Supply Stores
- Glue Guns and Glue Sticks
- Plastic cups
- Water Based Paint

Happy Thanksgiving!



November 2023

PLEASE NOTE: Photos and/or video may be taken at all of the Arc Downriver sponsored events (sports, art, etc.). These images may be used in print and/or electronic media. IF you would prefer that your image NOT be used, please contact the Arc Downriver office.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Art at the Arc 5:30-7:00pm at the Arkay building	2	3 Fall Bowling 2:30-4:00 Indian Lanes Office is Closed	4
	5	6 Poly Hockey 7:00 - 8:00 pm	7	8 Art at the Arc 5:30-7:00pm at the Arkay building Basketball meeting 7pm at West Middle School, Taylor	9	10 Fall Bowling 2:30-4:00 Indian Lanes Poly Hockey State Games At the U of M Sports Complex 867 South Blvd. E., Pontiac, MI Office Is Closed
12	13	14 Membership Board Meeting 5:30-6:00 pm	15 Art at the Arc 5:30-7:00pm at the Arkay building	16 6:00-7:30pm There will be Live Music at The Art at the Arc Art Show at the DCA in Wyandotte on Chestnut Street Office Is Closed	17 Fall Bowling 2:30-4:00 Indian Lanes Office Is Closed	18 Dance 6-8pm at the Arkay Building MUST RSVP! 734-283-0710 or arcriver@sbcg lobal.net
19	20	21	22 No Art Class Office Is Closed	23 	24 Office Is Closed	25
26	27	28	29 Art at the Arc 5:30-7:00pm at the Arkay building	30	1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192 (734) 283-0710 arcriver@sbcglobal.net <i>PLEASE CALL TO THE OFFICE BEFORE ARRIVING TO MAKE SURE SOMEONE IS THERE TO ASSIST YOU! Thank you!!</i>	

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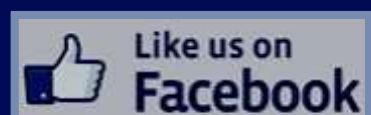
United Way
Community Services

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- ◆ **2024 Area Games: Basketball - Saturday, January 20 at Livonia High School**
- ◆ **Polar Plunge 2024: Saturday, February 17 at Belleville Yacht Club**
- ◆ **District Basketball: Saturday or Sunday, March 2 or 3, no confirmed location as of yet.**
- ◆ **2024 Area Bowling: Saturday, March 30 at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth.**
- ◆ **2024 Spring Games: Friday May 10 ay Livonia Franklin High School.**



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