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THE ARC DOWNRIVER PYRAMID

You're Invited to our...

Spaghetti

Dinner Fundraiser

Menu

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread & Dessert

Events

There will be all types of Raffle Baskets available & 50/50 Raffles.

When & Where

Sunday, May 18, 2025
1:00 - 5:00pm

Knights of Columbus
 Wyandotte Council #1802
 3530 Biddle Ave in Wyandotte

Donation

\$10... Adults
\$5... Kids Under 10
\$5... For Extra Serving

Please purchase your tickets at the door.
Thank you!

** A cash bar will be available for the purchase of all beverages, but is not part of the event.*

Benefiting Children, Adults & Families of Intellectual Developmental Disabilities and/or Cognitively Impaired Individuals *Promoting Choices, Creating Opportunities, Providing Support & Advocacy ... to fully participate in the community.*

All are welcome, so please join us for a wonderful afternoon!



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.

The Arc Downriver
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Tuesday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Wednesday: Call the office

Thursday: 10:00 - 2:00 pm

Friday: CLOSED

◆ For Wednesdays call Office or see our Facebook Page

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

Proudly serving children and adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities since 1954.

Affiliated with The Arc of the U.S. and The Arc of Michigan.

A member agency of



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Serving eighteen communities in the Downriver area for 70 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.

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.

B.O.D News

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS:

The following candidates are running for the Board of Directors. Elections will be held during the Membership Meeting on May 13th at 5:30p at the Arc office.

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Vice President: Linda Junod

Secretary: Carla March

Director: James Hamric

Director: Crystal Jennings

Director: Heidi Klotz

Director: Rachel Noche

A link will be emailed if anyone would like to attend the meeting virtually.

Record of date, April 30th. Determination of members entitled to vote.

Sports News:

State Games



- **Soccer:** Saturday, September 27 at Independence Park
- **Softball:** Friday, August 22 at Canton Softball Complex
- **Golf:** Friday, September 26 at Eagle Crest Golf Course
- **Cycling:** Saturday, September 27 at Chrysler Chelsea Proving Grounds





*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory of
Chris Anderson*

*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory Of
Kim Page*

*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory of
Alan Witchelhouse*

*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory of
Angela Finley*



*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory of a
Special Friend Deb Burry*

Given by: Rozi & Rollie Keller



*Memorial Donation In Loving Memory
of Allan Meininger*

Given by: Rosemary Meininger



Thank you for your Donation to the Art Program:

- ♦ Mr. Kyle Wright donated \$250.



Thank you for your Luv Bug Party Donation:

- ◆ The Jernigan Family donated \$100.
- ◆ Mr. John Prater donated \$100.
- ◆ Mr. Gary Turnbloom donated \$100. He is from Thailand.
- ◆ Mr. Braylen Worthy donated \$250. He is from Triumph Transportation.



Thank you for your April Donation:

- ◆ Our Monthly Donators: Craig Soubliere and Jean Dowis.
- ◆ *Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Victory Council #5446, Rockwood donated \$800 from their Tootsie Roll Drive.*
- ◆ *Rosemary Meininger donated to our Sports Program.*



INDIVIDUAL DONORS

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



Arc Downriver Cycling, Golf & Soccer

Sign-up sheets need to be turned in no later than Wednesday, May 7, 2025.

Soccer practices start on Tuesday, July 15 at West Middle School.

Golf is a Unified Sport which means a partner is necessary to play. All necessary Special Olympic paperwork needs to be completed to be a Unified Partner if not already completed. Practices start on Monday, July 14 at Riverview Highlands at 6:00 pm.

Cycling practices start on Saturday, June 21 at the Oakwood Metro Park Nature Center parking lot at 10:00 am. For Cycling you will need to purchase a park pass for \$45 to enter and have your own bicycle and helmet. Bicycles and helmets are not provided!

Follow our Face Book Page at ArcDownriverOFFICIAL & watch for further information on all sports programs.

PLAYERS:

- Must be a current up to date Arc Downriver member.
- Must have a signed Special Olympics Athlete Physical on file at the Arc Downriver Office.
- The physical cannot expire before the end of the season which is September 28, 2025.
- If the current physical expires before that date, a new physical must be submitted prior to the start.
- Must have own transportation to participate in practices and/or all tournaments.
- Must be 16 years or older to participate.
- Must wear appropriate clothing for field and weather.

(CIRCLE ONE SPORT ONLY)

Soccer

Cycling

Golf

Name of Athlete: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

** Please enter your size below. Fill out the sports you are participating sports.*

Cycling: Shirt/Jacket Size _____ Golf: Shirt Size _____ Soccer: Shirt size _____
Pant size _____

I give my permission for my son/daughter to participate in the 2025 sports season. I understand that my son/daughter must have a **current** Special Olympic Athlete Physical Packet for Participation physical form on file in The Arc Downriver office. I will provide transportation to practices, State and Area Games.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Date _____

Please drop off, mail or email: arcriver@sbcglobal.net. The Arc Downriver, 1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192 no later than Wednesday, May 7, 2025.

May 2025

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
	1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192 (734) 283-0710 arcriver@sbcglobal.net PLEASE CALL TO THE OFFICE BEFORE ARRIVING TO MAKE SURE SOMEONE IS THERE TO ASSIST YOU! Thank you!!			1	2 Office Closed	3 Track & Bocce are at Northville Regional Games
4	5	6	7 Softball Practice 6pm Kennedy HS Sports Sign-Up Sheet due!	8	9 Office Closed	10 Bocce Practice 9:00 am Track Practice 11:00 am
11 	12	13 Membership Board Meeting 5:30pm at the Office Office Closed 10:00 a—2:00 p	14 Softball Practice 6pm Kennedy HS	15 Formal Dance 5:30 - 9:30p Arnaldo's Banquet Center Office Closed	16 Office Closed	17 Bocce Practice 9:00 am Track Practice 11:00 am
18 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser 1:00-5:00p at Knights of Columbus on Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte	19 Office Closed	20	21 Softball Practice 6pm Kennedy HS	22	23 Office Closed	24 No Bocce Practice No Track Practice
25	26 CLOSED 	27	28 Softball Practice 6pm Kennedy HS	29 Bocce & Track State Games at CMU	30 Bocce & Track State Games at CMU	31 Bocce & Track State Games at CMU

***Participants in Art at the Arc and the dances MUST be current Arc Downriver members, have a signed Consumer Activity Policy on file, and have a current Emergency Card on file. If you have not updated your Emergency Card lately, renewed your membership or signed the new Consumer Activity Policy, please see the staff.**

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A Friendly Reminder: It's Time to Renew!
Please help the Arc Downriver continue it's mission.
WE NEED 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, Art at the Arc or to receive your requested mailed newsletter.

Donald	Barber	3/31/2025
Andrew	Baron	2/28/2025
Katy	Bentley/Hagen	6/30/2025
Sara	Boritzki-Amrozi	4/30/2025
Michael	Cervenak	5/31/2025
Nancy	Cochren	4/30/2025
Stacey	Coleman	5/31/2025
Joseph	Doherty	2/28/2025
Desiree	Estrada	2/28/2025
John	Gentis	4/30/2025
Emilia	Guzman	5/31/2025
Stephanie	Jackson	5/31/2025
Jessica	Jagod	6/30/2025
Crystal	Jennings	4/30/2025
Susan	Kersteller	4/30/2025
Joshua	McCarrall	5/31/2025
Thomas	Medeski	3/31/2025
Lesslie	Mercado	5/31/2025
Natalie	Pellam	5/31/2025
Ryan	Pluchino	5/31/2025
Teresa	Podbielski	4/30/2025
Jennifer	Ptak	3/31/2025
Sarah	Salars	6/30/2025
Kelly	Satterfield	5/31/2025
Ethan	Spade	4/30/2025
Thomas	Stone	2/28/2025
Daniel	Swisz	5/31/2025
Brenda	Szubeczak	3/31/2025

If you see your name and have already updated your membership, or wish to be removed from the list please contact the office.
 734-283-0710 Thank you!

Please *renew* your membership to support the many programs and services offered by *The Arc Downriver!* Fill out the membership form in the newsletter and drop it off or mail it or email to *The Arc Downriver, 1028 Oak Street, Wyandotte, MI 48192.*



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 _____

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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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Birds of a Feather



Word list:

BLUEBIRD
CHICKADEE
COWBIRD
CROW
DOVE
DUCK
EAGLE
EGRET

FINCH
GOLDFINCH
GOOSE
HAWK
HERON
KESTREL
LOON
MEADOWLARK

NIGHTHAWK
ORIOLE
OWL
PARTRIDGE
PELICAN
RAVEN
ROBIN
SANDPIPER

SPARROW
SWALLOW
SWAN
THRASHER
WARBLER
WOODPECKER
WREN



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Community Services

SAVE THE DATES:

- Membership Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 13 5:30 pm at The Arc Downriver Office
- Formal Dance - Thursday, May 15 at Arnaldo's Banquet Center
- Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser - Sunday, May 18 at the K of C Wyandotte

