

June 2016

Planned
Giving

Would you like to learn how to express your commitment to the goals of The Arc of Fort Bend County? You could do this through a planned gift. Once you have provided for loved ones in your will, you may want to include a gift of money, stock or property to The Arc. Your gift will be a lasting tribute to your concern for the advocacy, services and programs The Arc provides, while guaranteeing our long-term future. For information about how to include The Arc of Fort Bend County in your charitable giving plans, [click here](#), or contact:

Laura LaVigne,
llavigne@arcoffortbend.org
281-494-5923.


HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

donate

join now

Join Our
Mailing List



*Annual Awards Dinner
June 27, 2016*

*Safari Texas
Forum Ballroom
6:00 p.m.*

*Join us as we honor and thank the community
members
and volunteers who embrace The Arc's mission*

Special Recognition

Mary E. Butler, Texana Center Volunteer
Cindy Villarreal
Ann Neslony

Outstanding Educators

Christina Cobos, Colony Meadows Elementary School
Nicole Roberts, Fort Bend I.S.D. Special Education

Shannon Hood, Principal, Frost Elementary School
Lori Gallegos, Frost Elementary School
Jennifer Heath, Frost Elementary School
Karen Naivar, Frost Elementary School
Nina Pustejovsky, Frost Elementary School
Jewlon Morris, Special Education Campus Coordinator
Alexandria Blackmon, Educational Diagnostician
Emily Easily, Speech Pathologist
Roberta Olivares, Occupational Therapist
Julia Byars, In-Home Trainer

Melissa Jacobs, In-Home Trainer

Rochelle Fowkes, Brookwood, Grand Parkway
Joseph Fountain, Brookwood, Grand Parkway



Like us on Facebook

twitter

Thank you to our Donors:

- Ross Autrey
- BMC West
- Mike Casey
- Jan and Bill Caraway
- Greg Douglas
- Jason Husselman
- Indo American Forum of Fort Bend
- Russell Jones, Holoway Jones
- Debra Roberts
- Barbara Shields
- Wei Ma
- Janet Wantuch
- Jay Williams
- Marian and Milton Wright

Quick Links

- [The Arc of Fort Bend County](#)
- [The Arc of Texas](#)
- [The Arc of U.S](#)
- [Brazos Bend Guardianship Services](#)
- [National Organization of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome](#)

Larry Sharp Service Award

Master Sgt. Patrick Hardy, Dulles High School JROTC
Major Doug Hawn, Dulles High School JROTC

Community Awareness Award

Roy Cordes, Ft. Bend County Attorney
Nicole Mehrens, Ft. Bend County Attorney's Office

Joe Freudenberger, OakBend Medical Center
Donna Ferguson, OakBend Medical Center
Linda Drummond, OakBend Medical Center

Carol Edwards, Access Health
Patrick Richoux, Access Health
Bridget Brumfield, Access Health

Vida Goodell, Fort Bend Women's Center
Alvine Duggan, Fort Bend Women's Center

Advocacy Award

Julie Diaz, Travis High School

Outstanding Employers

John Edison, Outback Steakhouse
Dan Bergstrom, Houston Astros
Gary Krueger, PG Professional Golf

Outstanding Employees

Kyle Eddlemon, Houston Astros
Stevie Meyer, PG Professional Golf

James Patterson Volunteer of the Year Award

Allison Pike, Dulles High School

Barbara Penrod Award

Jenny Gortney, Prosperity Bank

Register to attend www.arcoffortbend.org



You are Invited

*Annual
Awards Dinner*

MONDAY, June 27, 2016

*Safari Texas
"The Forum Ballroom"*

Dinner & Awards: 6:00 pm

Beef & Chicken Fajita Dinner - \$10 prepaid, \$15 at the door

RSVP by June 17 to Cheryl Olivier at The Arc office
281-494-5920

Pay by cash/check: 123 Brooks Street, Sugar Land, TX 77478

Pay by CC: www.arcoffortbend.org

[Register](#) here for Annual Awards Dinner

or

[Print form](#) and return to The Arc!



WESTON LAKES COUNTRY CLUB

MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016

10:30 am - registration

11:30 am - box lunch & shotgun start

5:00 pm - auction, dinner & awards

Enjoy these events:

Hole-In-One Vehicle

Putting contest

Closest-to-the-Pin

Longest Drive Contest

Easy Eagle

Mulligans

Thank you Sponsors and Weston Lakes for all your support!



Pipeline and Facilities
Contractors
Integrity Management



ADVOCACY TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Effecting positive change does not always happen in Austin, it happens in our communities. The Arc of Texas Governmental Affairs Team will be providing **individualized/community based advocacy training** to create an advocacy "action plan" and provide support to chapters and interested community members.

Our goal is bigger than passing legislation during the 2017, 85th Legislative session. We are building a movement of people who understand and care about our issues (more people equals more power; power equals influence over the decision-maker). We want to engage communities (individuals with and without disabilities, media outlets, businesses, etc.) and build relationships with policy makers.

Our plan is to train participants in both advocacy strategies and The Arc of Texas' policy priorities. We will assist participants in developing an advocacy "action plan". Finally, we will provide ongoing support and collaboration to help participants implement their "action plans". We will provide communities with all the tools necessary to be successful.

Interested in participating? Contact llavigne@arcoffortbend.org



UPDATE

Revised Application!



123 Brooks Street, Sugar Land, TX 77478

Apply Now!

2016 Kathy Moody Memorial Scholarship

The Kathy Moody Memorial Scholarship was established by The Arc of Fort Bend County to assist students

with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who need financial assistance to attend a post-secondary educational or vocational program.

- Must be a resident of Fort Bend County
- Must be a member of The Arc of Fort Bend
- Must be already enrolled/accepted at a post-secondary program
- Applicants will limit their request to no more than one application per 12 month period

Pick up an application at The Arc's office or
download at our website: www.arcoffortbend.org

For additional information: Contact Laura LaVigne at:
llavigne@arcoffortbend.org



**To apply for the
Kathy Moody Memorial Scholarship,**

[Download Revised Application here!](#)



Play Ball! Either Softball or Bocce!

Special Olympics athletes and families, watch your U.S. Mailboxes for information about when/how to register for our bocce and softball programs.

Bocce orientation and registration for NEW players

Date: July 5

Time: 6:00 PM

Where: The Arc office for NEW players.

Bocce orientation and registration for RETURNING players

You will receive instructions in the mail on how to register for this season.

Bocce Practice for RETURNING Single players

Date: July 11

Bocce Practice for returning players

Date: July 12 (doubles players)

Date: July 13: July 13 (new players)

New players must register and go through orientation prior to the July 13 practice. Contact Margo if you have any questions. mapasko@arcoffortbend.org

Softball:

Softball registration instructions will be mailed out later in June. So, check those mailboxes. If you don't receive your softball registration information by June 24, contact Margo at mapasko@arcoffortbend.org.

If you are new to The Arc and would like to become part of our Special Olympics family, contact Margo at mapasko@arcoffortbend.org.



Brazos Bend Guardianship Services Guardianship & Alternatives to Guardianship Information

Session

Date: Thursday, July 21, 2016

Where: George Memorial Library
1001 Golfview
Richmond, TX

Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**This session is designed for families who are considering
obtaining legal guardianship of a loved one.**

Contact Kirk Monroe at 281-232-7701 or visit www.brazosbendguardianship.org for more information.

**Visit the
Special Needs Events & Activities Kalendar (SNEAK)**

Community Calendar

at www.arcoffortbend.org
for upcoming events and activities

[Browse SNEAK Community Calendar](#)

Education and Parent Support

Do you have an ARD coming up?

Get prepared! Get organized!
Schedule an appointment to analyze progress reports
and discuss ARD/IEP issues

cbsewell@arcoffortbend.org
281/494-5924



Upcoming Adult Social Rec Events

The Arc's Adult Social Recreation Program is a members-only club for individuals with I/DD living in Fort Bend County. There is an application process that is updated each year.

Contact Nancy Dobert for a registration packet and more information on the requirements for this program.

RSVP's are mandatory for all events.*

June 25

Star Cinema Grill
Lunch and movie
Time: TBA



July 16

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus - Legends
Refreshments & DJ
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m



July 30

Summer Dance in Bay City
V.F.W. # 2438
Snacks & DJ
5:00 pm -8:00 pm



nndobert@arcoffortbend.org

281/494-5926

Our Mission Statement

The Arc of Fort Bend County ensures opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to maximize their quality of life within our community.