

ARC BEAUTY & BEAU PAGEANT

What a fun time we had Monday night at our first Beauty & Beau Pageant! The participants as they looked lovely and handsome as all posed on the stage before an audience of family and friends. This was a first for many if not all of them. As you can see by the enclosed pictures we have the most beautiful girls and handsome guys in Hattiesburg. We appreciate all of you who helped with this event. Thanks to the USM Psychology students, the Youth Challenge ladies, and all of you who prepared food and helped in any way with this event. A special thanks to all the parents who allowed their kids to participate.

MEMBERSHIP
DON'T FORGET THAT THIS IS THE LAST MONTH TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR THIS YEAR. AFTER APRIL 1st ALL PROGRAM FEES WILL BE DOUBLED IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR MEMBERSHIP! YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEB SITE TO PAY AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

APRIL LADIES' RESPITE
Spring time is so much fun! We had a wonderful weekend! Our time together started with a pizza party and social time. Saturday brought beautiful weather. We took our normal trip to the dollar store and had a wonderful lunch at Dickey's Barbeque. They are so nice to us there! We came back and had a relaxing time outside in the beautiful weather. Then we had a fun-filled Easter egg hunt. We finished our time together at the new building. It is such a good place to enjoy fun, food and friends!



DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR ARC MEMBERSHIP THIS MONTH. FEES WILL DOUBLE FOR ALL RESPITES IF IT HAS NOT BEEN PAID BY APRIL 1, 2011! GO TO OUR WEB SITE: hattiesburgarc.com to Renew!



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE ARC

MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING

APRIL

**ART CLASSES EVERY TUESDAY AT 3:30 P.M.
POTTERY CLASSES - 1st & 3rd THURSDAY AFTERNOONS AT 3:30 P.M.
DANCE CLASSES - 2nd & 4th THURSDAY AFTERNOONS AT 3:30 P.M.**



FRIEND'S RESPITE

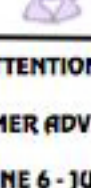
What a Weekend! Our March respite was held despite spring break and we had a blast! On Friday night we had with all of our friends and enjoyed dinner at the house. Saturday morning we were up bright and early for the Irish-Italian parade. We took the Arc bus and we were definitely the best looking float! Everyone enjoyed throwing beads and we even saw our friend Ryan Hendley. It was a beautiful Saturday and after enjoying hot dogs provided by St. Thomas, we took on the Petal Park. After the park we took a break and enjoyed some McDonald ice cream which is always a favorite! That evening we returned to the Arc house where we had dinner cooked by David and Pam Hamilton. THANKS GUYS! We look forward to seeing everyone next month.

With Sympathy

To David Curry and Eugene Rawls in the death of their beloved mother, Mable Rawls. David and Eugene are active in our Summer Adventure Program.

To Kim Newell and family (Eli & Maria) in the death of her beloved mother.

To Ramona Lockett in the death of her beloved father.



ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

"CLICK" A SHOP IN DOWNTOWN H'BURG (BESIDE BIANCHI'S PIZZA)

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.

FEATURING

Painting, arts/crafts by The Arc. Light refreshments will be served. Mark your calendars so that you don't miss the wonderful event!

ATTENTION!

ARC SUMMER ADVENTURES

DATES: JUNE 6 - JULY 8, 2011

TIME: 8:00 - 2:00

Forms are available on our website @ www.hattiesburgarc.com. On site registration will be April 18 at our Buddy Easter Party.

NOTE: If we receive your application along with membership and registration fees (total \$50) by April 14, your name will be placed in a drawing for a \$100 scholarship for Summer Adventures.

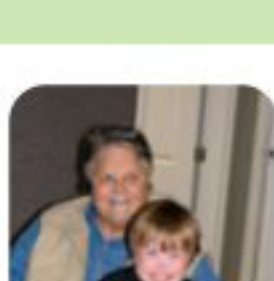
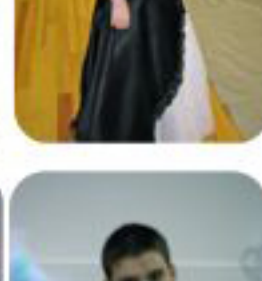
Way to go! You did it! Great job!

CONGRATULATIONS:

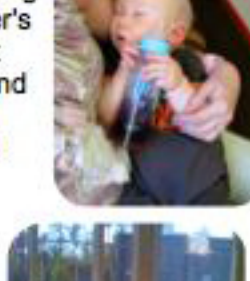
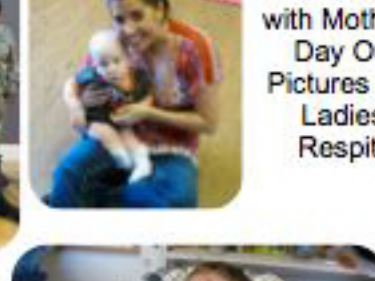
Hoy Schramm for placing 2nd in the State Art Competition. We are proud of you Hoy! Also we congratulate Brandon Buxton, Susie McAdams and Ryan Hendley for receiving honorable mention for their art.



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More Pageant Pictures along with Mother's Day Out Pictures and Ladies' Respite



BUDDY egg hunt

MONDAY, APRIL 18

KAMPER PARK PAVILION

5:30 - 7:00

NOTE: WE WILL BEGIN AT 5:30 P.M.

Co-sponsored by Hattiesburg Junior Auxiliary

Bring your basket!



April

- 1, 2 Ladies' Respite
- 4 Board Meeting
- 9, 10 Men's Respite
- 15, 16 Friends at Arc
- 18 Buddy Party Kamper Park
- 29, 30 Weekend at Arc



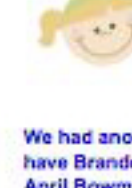
MAY

- 2 Board Meeting
- 7,8 Ladies' Respite
- 13,14 Ladies' Respite
- 16 Buddy Party
- 20,21 Friend's at Arc
- 27,28 Weekend at Arc



NOTE CHANGES IN MEN'S & LADIES' RESPITE FOR APRIL!

**DAYCARE SCHEDULE FOR EASTER:
CLOSED ON APRIL 22 & OPEN ON APRIL 25**



WEEKEND AT THE ARC

We had another great weekend at the Arc! We were glad to have Brandon Chambliss, Hannah Beach, Charly Green and April Bowman back these past couple of months after being away for a while. After checking in and having some "visiting" time on the back porch, we headed for the multipurpose building for dinner. As usual, Ms. Sarah had prepared a tasty meal for us that we enjoyed eating in our Hard Arc Cafe' with the jukebox entertaining us! On Saturday morning, we enjoyed exercise in the gym with numerous games: riding scooter boards in the dark following an outlined path with glow in the dark cones, basketball, bucket blast with bean bags, & other activities. After lunch we went to the USM baseball game. We thank Jack and Hillary Duggan for their assistance in obtaining free tickets to the game! After the game we returned to the Arc building where we enjoyed a Luau, compliments of Meosha (an Oak Grove student conducting her senior project). She had delicious food, beautiful decorations, many other friends from Oak Grove High School, and some great music for a dance, compliments of Cookie Smith and her friend Mr. James. After the party, we gave our dancing feet a rest and enjoyed a movie in the Beverly Drive-in Theater room. We really appreciated the assistance offered by four ladies with Youth Challenge. We are very fortunate to have had so many donations from the community this past weekend. We look forward to seeing some friends from USM in April as they will be joining us for a cookout and activities on Saturday. Mark your calendars for another packed weekend of fun at the Arc!

-The Staff

DONATIONS:

SCHOLARSHIP/MEMORIALS:

In memory of Jewel Henley by Linda Rooks, Betty Rose & Marvin Brezzeale & Dwyann Morrow. Miss Jewel attended so many of our Arc functions to celebrate with Kaitlynn and other family members. She left a note to remember The Arc in her will. What a special lady!

In memory of Barbara Mitchell (Patty Upton's Stepmother) by Cindy Pennington & Chris/Christie Moss.

In memory of Pauline Chapman (Cindy Devereaux's Mother), Dixie Turnbo, Mable Rawls, Jim French, Tommy Hill, Jo Crawford (Christie Moss's Grandmother), Mrs. Ladner, Mary Dye (Suzette Hardgroder's Aunt), Willie Harden (Precious Brimley's Grandmother) by Cindy Pennington.

In memory of Willie Harden by Chris & Christie Moss.

SCHOLARSHIP/HONOR:

South Forrest Junior Beta Club in honor of B.J. Holmes

OTHER:

Televisions donated by Jim & Sue Gallaspy.
Television donated by Jim & Susan Link

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CONGRATULATIONS

TO: Cindy Pennington and Jennifer Matherne for receiving the Governor's Award of Excellence from The Mississippi Association of Partners in Education.
Partnership : Arc & Thames School

