



2012 Golfball Drop Winner



CONGRATULATIONS

to **Laurie Klinedinst**

who purchased the winning golf ball number 553. Laurie has been a faithful supporter of The Arc and has purchased one ball each year! Laurie and her husband have a child with autism and have always been an advocate for individuals with disabilities! Congratulations to Laurie!

A special thanks to all of you who purchased golf balls to make this year's fundraiser a success. We sold 893 golf balls and this was the best year! We especially thank the Board Members and other parents who worked so hard to plan, sell balls, make calls, assist with advertisement and other jobs. *Thank you* to Chris Moss who did a fantastic job in coordinating the golf tournament. *Also thanks to all* of the sponsors and a *huge thank you* to our corporate sponsor, Patricia Moss (author of children's books). We appreciate Baptist Life Medical Helicopter for their service. They actually declined a call to another local competitor to be on hand for our event! *Thanks to* Tina, Frances, Joyce, and Meri for handling the selling/bookkeeping process as well. *Thank you* to all of the movie stars who took part in the commercial (starring Sandy Wright)! *You are the best....We can Count on You!* All of this is so important to our organization as it means that we can add more programs and reach out to more people who need our services.

We don't want anyone to be left out!

THANKS TO THE BRETT FAVRE FOUNDATION

We are so grateful to Brett Favre and his foundation for the generous gift of \$20,000. The Favres have been generous supporters of The Arc for numerous years. Through their foundation, we have received the beautiful bus, exercise equipment, as well as tremendous monetary support. Most importantly we have received the gift of friendship of two individuals who have such giving hearts to people with disabilities. We are so thankful for their support!

BUDDY PARTY

What a great time was had by all who attended our Tailgate Buddy Party. As you can see by the picture, everyone enjoyed the dancing. Thanks to The Ladies Auxiliary we enjoyed delicious food! October is our "Rodeo Buddy Party". Look for more details in this newsletter and plan to attend!

CONCERT: Ken Sizemore
COST: Free
WHERE: Arc Multipurpose Center
WHEN: Saturday, Oct. 6
TIME: 5:00 P.M.



to learn more about Ken, visit <http://kensizemore.com>
Come, hear great music from the 70s!



Thank you/Donations

Memorials

In memory of Randy Stein by Chris/Christie Moss & Brodie

BUILDING PROJECT

Hattiesburg Sertoma Club

Our Thoughts and Prayers

We have accidentally left off one of our family members in their time of loss. We apologize for this oversight. Mrs. Kathy Eaton (Dr. Barbara Mauldin's Mom, Sam's Grandmother) passed away this summer. We send our prayers and sympathy to the family.



BUDDY OCTOBER RODEO PARTY



WHAT: Rodeo/Dinner
WHERE: Forrest County Multipurpose Center - Highway 49 South
WHEN: October 29 - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored by The Arc and Junior Auxiliary

GOLF T-SHIRTS

We have several T-shirts left over from the Golf Tournament. These may be purchased for \$10. Please see Emily at The Arc House if interested. Thanks to Patricia Moss who sponsored the Tournament and featured one of the books she has authored..



The Arc is Looking for a Few Good Men!! Be Featured In The Arc's First Calendar!!



Brian Bradford is a senior at Oak Grove High School and is a volunteer for The Arc. For his senior project, he will be doing a calendar for The Arc called, "Real Men of 2013". If any Father/Male Care Giver would like to be featured in the calendar, please contact Brian at 601-467-8431 or email Cindy at cindy.pennington@att.net All individuals wishing to participate must sign a photo release which will be available at The Arc House in the office. The deadline to be featured in this calendar is October 22. The calendars will be sold, after publishing, for \$10.00 and all proceeds will go to The Arc.

Example of calendar:

Allen will be wearing his military uniform and will be photographed with Sara.



"Real Men Serve Their Country....and Their Family"



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

Men's Respite.....6, 7
Ladies' Respite.....12, 13
Friends' Respite.....19, 20
Weekend at The Arc.....26, 27
Board of Directors....1
Buddy Party.....29
Men's Respite.....27,28 (this will be our Nov. respite. No men't respite in Nov.)



November

Ladies' Respite.....2, 3
Friends' Respite.....16, 17
Weekend at The Arc.....9, 10
Board of Directors....5
Hobble Gobble 5K.....22



December

Men's Respite.....1, 2
Ladies' Respite.....7, 8
Friends' Respite.....14, 15
Weekend at The Arc.....7, 8
Board of Directors....3
Buddy Party.....10



Arc Showstoppers Show Choir News: Performers Needed!!
Next Performance: Saturday, December 1 @ 7 pm
Sunday, December 2 @ 2 pm

Deadline for joining Show Choir - October 15

The Arc Showstoppers present....."#1s...The Greatest Number One Hits of All Times." And we are looking for dynamic, excited, talented performers to join our amazing show. If you are interested in becoming an Arc Showstopper or an Arc Showstopper volunteer, please contact:
Melissa Braxton ar melanddavis@yahoo.com or call **601-620-3727**. We will be having a planning meeting in the near future to discuss practice times and dates as well as showtimes. You will not want to miss this opportunity to be involved in this amazing performance!

***Please not that costumes will be ordered after the October 15 deadline and parts will be assigned. If you plan on being a part of this wonderful production, you must register now!

DATES; Dec. 1st @ 7:00 p.m. & 2nd @ 2:00 p.m.

WHAT: Arc Showstoppers Performance

We will also have a Dessert Theatre and Silent Auction with this event. In addition our new art building beside the multipurpose building will be open and The Arc's pottery and crafts will be sold. On Sunday, the Coca Cola Santa truck will be at the facility and pictures will be made.

Volunteers Needed! We need people for lighting and sound, costumes, marketing and ticket sales, volunteer coordinator, program design and printing, tshirts. For the Dessert Theatre and Auction we need desserts donated, decorating assistance, auction items donated and kitchen assistance. Please email Cindy at cindy.pennington@att.net if you are willing to volunteer.





Weekend at The Arc

Nothing better than a pot of spaghetti from Famous Amos (Sara) and a bunch of good friends at Weekend at the Arc! After a delicious meal, we watched a movie and then headed for bed. For breakfast, Lil Famous Amos (Brittany) cooked some grits, biscuits (right out of the frozen bag from Walmart), and prepared some ham to make a very enjoyable breakfast. You would have thought they had gone to Cracker Barrel. Our Saturday plans were drastically changed due to the weather. I never knew how much fun you could have just chilling on the back porch at The Arc house and listening to music, laughter and talking.

We got a few periods with no rain and enjoyed the playground and the jumpy. One group decided to load the van and enjoy Brittany's son in a Saturday morning football game. Late afternoon, the rain stopped and we hurried to the bus to head to the USM Eagle Walk....which was cancelled. That did not stop us from enjoying tailgating with Lil Butcher. If you shop there or see the owner, please tell him how much we appreciate him. He always donates the food for the KIDnapping FUNdraiser in the summer as well. Anyway, the rain began shortly after we finished our delicious barbecue and we hurriedly loaded the bus to head back to The Arc house where we cheered for the Eagles as we listened by radio. By the way, approximately 30 people managed to squeeze in the TV room...nothing like being cozy on a rainy Saturday night.

We all need to learn their simplicity and appreciation for the little things!

Oh well...October will be a blast, so check your emails for details!

Weekend at The Arc Staff and Volunteers