

"If it could only be like this always - always summer, always quiet, the fruit always ripe, and always in a good mood."
~ Evelyn Waugh

CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS!

Thank you to the members who sold Penn State Raffle Tickets. Your support of fundraising enables The Arc to offer many classes and keep the costs of membership very low.

Did you know the membership rate has not increased in over 5 years even though expenses to The Arc keep rising, rapidly? Did you know The Arc is offering the most programs, many of them very costly, than at any other time in its history?

We congratulate the winners and hope that you have fun at the Penn State Games:

West Virginia Game: Ticket 0955, Garvey Manor winner

Delaware Game: Ticket 0550, Pat Forr winner, sold by Marita Forr

UMass Game: Ticket 1434, Michele Sanders winner, sold by self

Indiana Game: Ticket 2327, Catholic War Veterans, sold by Dan Casey

Rutgers Game: Ticket 0058, Joel Hollander, sold by self

\$25 Amazon Gift Card: Ian Cogan, sold by self

\$25 Amazon Gift Card: Ethan Hullihen, sold by Luke Hullihen

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IDEAS NEEDED

The Arc wants to be sure it is offering a wide range of activities for EVERYONE. If there is something you enjoy doing, please contact The Arc at 814.946.1011 and share your idea. The Arc would like to offer new and interesting choices for classes and activities.

A suggestion received was to have a 'quiet' program. Something for individuals who may have sensitivity to noise or crowds.

If you want to get together to color, lay on the grass in backyard and listen to the birds and water fountain, pick flowers, do a floor puzzle as a group, or other peaceful classes, please let The Arc know and it will be added to the schedule for a month.

PATRIOTIC PRIDE

The Arc garden club assisted Altoona Sunrise Rotary during the month of July by maintaining the Robert Law War Veteran Memorial Plaza in downtown Altoona. Many people are surprised to discover the plaza exists. It is located across from the Heritage Plaza Gazebo, next door to the Mountain View Eye Office. There are monuments honoring veterans from each war in America's history. The Arc is so proud of the garden club for giving back to the community. See last page for more photos and our very own veteran 'hero'.



AUGUST CALENDAR

Monday's, beginning at 6:00: Bocce in Arc backyard. Check The Arc website if it rains. The Arc will only post IF bocce is cancelled. The Arc never posts if a planned class is still taking place.

Tuesday, August 1, at 5:30 p.m.: West African Drumming

Tuesday, August 8 at 5:30 p.m.: Ukulele Class

Tuesday, August 15, at 5:30 p.m.: West African Drumming

Tuesday, August 22 at 5:30 p.m.: Ukulele Class

Wednesday's at 10:00 a.m.: Garden Club (must already be a member of the club to participate)

Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m.: Line Dancing

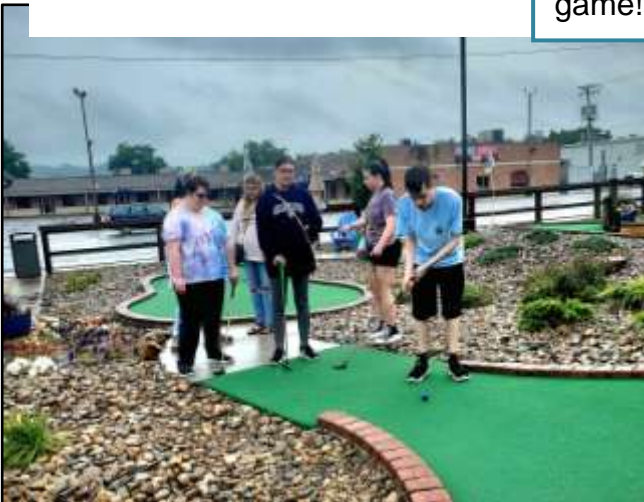
Thursday, August 3 - all day: Becky Sheetz Memorial Golf Tournament

Thursday, August 24: Woodworking and Artisan Class. Level of class: Advanced. MUST REGISTER

Thursday, August 31: Basic Craft Class. Level of class: Beginner. MUST REGISTER



A little bit of rain (ok, a lot of rain), did not stop the We Are...Friends group from mini golfing and having ice cream. A couple of golfers even got a hole in one! The weather cleared out and became so nice that the group was able to get the pool party in with pizza, snacks and lots of laughter! Next get together - a Curve game!





The Arc cooking class theme was "grilling". Students were initially intrepid by the heat and flame that a grill gives off. But soon, students became grill masters! Each week in the series a concept was taught, building upon the previous week's instruction. The final week was a team challenge with winners selected by random judges. Thank you, Janice Moist, for all your planning and assistance, with this popular class!



The advanced class of the artisan/wood working class used a new laser imaging tool along with drills, saws and other tools. Many of the classes at The Arc are 'teaching' classes designed to teach skills that may assist in employment and to build self esteem and confidence. The students knocked this one out of the park! A huge thank you to Emily Albright for taking the lead and to the rest of the dream team: Brody, Ella and Jess Albright along with Jonah Brandt.





Achieve with us.

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More photos of The Arc Garden Club pulling weeds, picking up debris, and watering at the War Veteran Memorial Plaza in downtown Altoona. Some of the members are pictured at photo on right in front of the Vietnam War Monument. Pictured in photo is Cletus Wilt, a Vietnam Veteran. Thank you, Cletus, and everyone who has served our country, for your services. Pictured: front row - Brooke Baird, Sarah Hiersche, Camey Wilt. Back row: Tyler Starr, Christina Polito, Cletus Wilt and Katie Burke.

