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Mission Statement
To enrich the lives of individuals with
developmental disabilities and their
families through support, programs
and advocacy.

The Arc of Omaha is a member
agency of the United Way of the
Midlands and a Chapter of The Arc
of Nebraska and the U.S.
Please join us for our 2014 Arc of Omaha Membership Drive!

“Time and money spent in helping people to do more for themselves is far better than mere giving.” ~ Henry Ford

You are doing more than mere giving when you become a member of The Arc of Omaha. You are supporting efforts to help individuals with developmental disabilities and their families lead lives of greater independence, productivity, integration, inclusion and self-determination. By joining now, your membership will be valid for the calendar year 2014. Membership options are outlined below.

The privileges of membership in The Arc of Omaha include:

Use of the Ollie Webb Center, Inc. pass to the Henry Doorly Zoo, discounts to many activities and events for individuals of all ages sponsored by The Arc of Omaha, support from The Arc of Nebraska and The Arc of the United States, including representation at local, state and national policy forums and publications sharing important information on a variety of topics, and the satisfaction of supporting a local agency that informs the public of the needs, rights and abilities of individuals with developmental disabilities.

The Arc of Omaha 2014 Membership Form

Your membership will be valid from January 1 through December 31, 2014

Thank you for your past support! Please consider once again being a part of our team!

Name (s) ________________________________    (As you wish it to appear when we publicly recognize our members.)

Address _________________________________________________________________________

City/State____________________________________________________ Zip _________________

Phone _________________________E-mail **__________________________________________

**May we send our monthly newsletter to your e-mail address:   ____Yes   ____No

Each Single Membership is entitled to one (1) vote. Each family membership is entitled to two (2) votes.

Please circle:    Single $25     Family $40     Contributing $75     Sustaining $100     Corporate $150

☐ I would like to sponsor an additional single membership for a person who is unable to pay, for an additional $25

Total amount enclosed:  $______________

Please make your check payable to Ollie Webb Center, Inc. Mail this form and your check to:

Ollie Webb Center, Inc.,  1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 122, Omaha, NE 68105

Your contribution is tax deductible.

Put Your Honey to Use

Cantaloupe-Honey Smoothie

Preparation: Cut one large cantaloupe into 1-inch cubes (about 4 cups).

Stir 2 Tbsp. each honey and orange juice in a small bowl until blended. Put cantaloupe in blender and while machine is still running, add juice mixture. Continue processing until mixture is smooth. Add ice cubes as desired to make mixture thicker and icier. Serve immediately. Makes 3 cups.

Honey Berry Milk Shakes

1 pint vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt
2 ½ cups fresh strawberries, sliced
½ cup milk
¼ cup of honey

In blender, combine all the ingredients, cover, and process until smooth.

Yield: 8 ½ cup servings

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The year 2015 will mark 40 years of IDEA and 25 years of the ADA. To honor the legacy of our past and help build a new future, this national initiative is asking all 50 states and disability organizations to join an effort to achieve six national goals by the end of 2015. The six national goals are in the areas of:

Employment – In March of 2014, 4.67 million people with disabilities participated in the labor force. That means less than 20% of people with disabilities are working or looking for work, compared to 68% of people without disabilities. By the end of 2015, we would like to see that number reach 6 million. State and local governments employ over 19 million people – 7% of the American workforce. Increasing employment of people with disabilities in the state and local workforce can increase their labor force participation and model disability employment across the country. That’s why we are seeking to secure commitments from at least six governors and at least six mayors or county executives to increase the diversity of their public sector workforces by setting goals similar to President Obama’s 2010 Executive Order calling on the federal government to hire at least 100,000 new workers with disabilities by 2015.

Community Living – At least six states will elect to implement the Community First Choice Option so that their Medicaid recipients with disabilities have access to long-term services and supports in the community. The Affordable Care Act included a new Medicaid option for states called Community First Choice. States that take up the option can provide home and community-based services without a waiver or waiting list and receive increased federal financial support for the services. As of the end of 2013, only California and Oregon had been approved to implement the Community First Choice Option. We hope that by the end of 2015, six more states will take this step and build a more inclusive public health system.

Education – At least six additional states have at least 60 percent of their students with disabilities graduating with a regular high school diploma. A high school diploma is required to perform even the most basic jobs in the modern economy. In the 2010-2011 school year, 22 states graduated over 60% of their students with disabilities with a regular diploma. Some graduated as low as 23%. We would like to see at least six more states reach the goal of graduating 60% or more of their students with disabilities with regular diplomas by the end of 2015.

Transition – At least six states commit to supporting successful and outcome-based programs and strategies for high school transition services and closing the labor force participation gaps for youth and young adults with disabilities. Work experiences have been proven to improve outcomes for youth with disabilities transitioning out of high school. From 2004 to 2006, an average of 8% of youth with disabilities applied for vocational rehabilitation services. Of those who applied, only 56% actually received services. Our goal is for at least six states to commit to supporting internships, scholarships, and other evidence-based services to help youth with disabilities transitioning from high school to higher education and employment.

Healthy Living – At least six states commit to including people with disabilities as an explicit target population in all state public health programs. In 2009, the New York State Department of Health Center for Community Health adopted a policy that all public health programs must explicitly include children and adults with disabilities and their families as a target population in health promotion efforts. All programs must discuss the importance of people with disabilities in the project and all applicants for grant funding must describe how they will include people with disabilities in their programs. New York is the first state to take on such a policy of deliberate inclusion and targeting of people with disabilities similar to other minority groups in health promotion and chronic disease management and prevention efforts. We hope that by the end of 2015, six more states will take this step and build a more inclusive public health system.

Early Childhood – At least six states increase by 15% the proportion of children ages 0-3 who receive recommended developmental screening. An estimated 17% of children in the US have a developmental or behavioral disability like intellectual disability or autism, but less than half of children with these disabilities are identified before starting school. Early identification connects children with disabilities to services so they can start school ready to learn. We hope that by the end of 2015, six states will have increased their current rate of developmental screening for children birth to three by 15 percent and at least six states commit to improving cross-system information exchange that supports access to services for children identified by screening.
The PRISM project plans monthly topics based on the needs of the community. Input from the PRISM Parent Advisory Committee, feedback on event evaluation forms and direct contact from parents communicate community needs. We welcome your feedback and topic suggestions. Please e-mail dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org

The PRISM Project is sponsored by the Arc of Omaha at Ollie Webb Center, Inc., with assistance from the United Way of the Midlands and the Nebraska Department of Education.
YOU MUST RSVP for this event: Contact Annie Anderson at: aanderson@olliewebbcenterinc.org or call 402-346-5220 Ext. 23.

This event is for family members and individuals of any age who have a developmental or intellectual disability. It is hard to predict how any individual with an intellectual disability will behave in an emergency situation. Individuals with Autism often have difficulty speaking or knowing exactly what to do in an extremely stressful situation and have sometimes been known to hide when there is a fire emergency. For this reason, Fire and Safety Day is an excellent opportunity to allow all of our family members to feel more comfortable around large equipment and meet face to face the safety personnel that could one day keep us safe in an emergency situation. This activity is sponsored by the Bellevue Fire Department, Autism Society’s Omaha Group and Ollie Webb Center Inc.

Bring the whole family for an afternoon jam-packed full of activities designed to provide your family with fire safety education, as well as, summer fun. The fire training facility is state-of-the-art with room to accommodate everybody. Bring swimsuits and sunscreen for the kids so they can end the day playing in the large water sprinklers.

Activities: There is no cost to attend. There will be both indoor and outdoor activities, as well as, water, snacks and popsicles. There will also be a water event at the end of the day so bring your swimsuits for some real cool-down fun!

Schedule: While we do not anticipate any changes to this schedule it is possible scheduled times could change based on the availability of equipment and manpower. (It is feasible that the helicopter and crew might get called out on an Emergency.)

12:00 – 4:00 pm. Ambulance, police car, fire engine, police motorcycle display, and mascots
12:30 p.m. Firefighter demonstration with fire, hoses and fire engine.
12:30 – 3:00 pm. Friendly policemen & firefighters, smoke trailer, learn how to call 911, the Seatbelt Convincer Demonstration, Learn about Poison Control.
1:00 – 2:00 pm. Helicopter display and meet the crew members
2:00 pm. Firefighter demonstration with fire, hoses and fire engine.
2:30 – 4:00 pm. Water, sun and fun—Bring your swimsuit for some huge water spout fun.

WE ARE SUPER PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE:
OLLIE WEBB CENTER, INC.
AND THE MISSOURI VALLEY PADDLERS EVENT:

DAY ON THE WATER – KAYAK AND CANOEING
SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 17, 2014
Next Chapter Book Club

• Book Clubs meets once a week for an hour as small group at a local coffee shop or gathering place to read and discuss a book selected by the group.

• All reading levels can participate!

• Book club participants will enjoy social connections and the delight of expanding their literacy.

• New Club forming in West Omaha.

• Volunteer Adult facilitators and interested new members contact Denise dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org.

Friendship & literacy in a community setting!
The Ultimate Life Program is the place to be for fun and friends!

The Ultimate Life Program is a fee-based recreation program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities 18 years and older. This program offers opportunities for adults to participate in small, planned group activities or one-on-one outings of their choice in the community. Trained companions accompany participants. Transportation to and from the activities is part of the program.

APPLY NOW!
Registration fee - $30
For an application contact:
dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org
Before sending in your registration and payment contact Kelsie at 402-981-2858 or ktroudt@olliewebbinc.org to see if space is still available.

Food and Friends
Date: July 8, 2014 or August 12, 2014
Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Being able to cook is such an important life skill, join us for a fun filled evening of socialization while practicing our skills of cutting, spreading, measuring, and many other cooking skills! Meal is provided!

Location: OWCI
Cost: $15 for Arc members/$20 for non-Arc members
(If you register and pay by 7/1 or 8/8) (DISCOUNT!)
$20 for Arc members/$25 for non-Arc members at the door.

RESERVATION FORM – Just Friends

Name:_____________________________________________________ Phone #: (_____)_______________
Address:___________________________________________________ Zip: _________________________
Date of Birth:______________________

Emergency Contact ________________________                  Emergency Phone : _______________________

PLEASE CIRCLE THE EVENT(S) THAT CORRESPONDS WITH PAYMENT

Food & Friends (July 8).............................................................. (DISCOUNT) $15 Arc member/ $20 non-member
$20 Arc member/ $25 non-member at the door

Luau (July 3)........................................................................... (DISCOUNT) $15 Arc member/ $20 non-member
$20 Arc member/ $25 non-member at the door

Watch-A-Movie Wednesdays (July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30)................. $20 Arc member/ $25 non-member at the door
**PAYMENT MUST BE IN CASH AT THE EVENT**

Food & Friends (August 12).............................................................. (DISCOUNT) $15 Arc member/ $20 non-member
$20 Arc member/ $25 non-member at the door

Total Enclosed: $____________  Please make checks payable to: Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
Return to: Ollie Webb Center, Inc., Just Friends, 1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 122, Omaha, NE 68105
Watch-a-Movie Wednesday
Dates: 7/2, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 2014
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (Depending on the length of the movie)
Price: $20 Arc member/$25 non-Arc member (in cash at the event)

- All movies will be seen at Westwood Cinema 8 (2809 S 125th Ave).
- Movies will be determined the Friday before. Due to having lunch before the movie, we will not purchase snacks at the theater. If you would like snacks, please bring additional money.
- Payment must be in cash, due to the theater only accepting cash for payments.
- Lunch will rotate between IHOP (12423 W. Center Rd.), Panera Bread (3219 Oakview Dr.), Romeo’s (14630 W. Center Rd.), Chipolte Mexican Grill (13203 W. Center Rd.), and Pepperjax Grill (2429 S. 132nd St.).
- Parents are asked to drop their child off at the restaurant and pick him/her up at the theater.
- If your child needs transportation, staff will provide transportation at an additional charge.

Annual PUSH Luau
Date: Thursday, July 3, 2014
Time: 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Mockingbird Community Center:
10242 Mockingbird Drive

5:30-7:00 p.m. Swim in the pool
7:00-8:00 p.m. Eat dinner

Price: $15 for participants and $5 for staff and parents who eat. Send RSVP to Amanda Clark by June 30 or e-mail or call by July 1, to aclark@olliewebbinc.org or call Amanda Clark at 402-346-5220 ext. 31.
Evening Classes at OWCI in August: “How to Make and Follow a Budget”

August 12, 19, 26, 2014
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
The 3-week class is $45.

On the last three Tuesday evenings in August, students will be taught how to properly budget, which helps prepare them to take control of their own finances and better navigate the world.

Send your RSVP to Amanda Clark by August 1 or e-mail/call by August 6: aclark@olliewebbinc.org or 402-346-5220 ext. 31

Weather Policies

The following weather may cause us to cancel and/or reschedule events:

- Tornado warnings
- Extreme heat of 90+ degrees and humidity
- Severe thunderstorms and/or lightening

If the weather is questionable, and you are not sure if an Adult Services event will be held or cancelled, call 402.346.5220 ext 31 for event updates.

Food and Friends

Food and Friends is a fun way to reinforce basic skills in the kitchen, while spending time with new and old friends. Students will make a rational meal and take the recipe along home to try again.

5:30-7:30 p.m. at OWCI
Cost: $15/Arc member - $20/non member

Please note:
Class size is limited to 7 people.
Before sending in your check/registration, contact Amanda at 402.346.5220 ext. 31 or aclark@olliewebbinc.org to see if space is available.

July 1: Send RSVP form to Amanda by June 27 or call/e-mail by June 30.
August 5: Send RSVP form to Amanda by August 1 or call/e-mail by August 4.

Lunch and Movie

Lunch and Movie is an afternoon of relaxing and socializing over a hearty lunch and after that we watch the latest blockbuster DVD on the large projector screen at the Ollie Webb Center. (Film and lunch suggestions are always welcome.)

12:30-3:00 p.m. at OWCI
Cost: $15/Arc member - $20/non member

Please note:
Class size is limited to 12 people.
Before sending in your check/registration, contact Amanda at 402.346.5220 ext. 31 or aclark@olliewebbinc.org to see if space is available.

July 19: Send RSVP form to Amanda by July 15 or call/e-mail by July 18.
August 23: Send RSVP form to Amanda by August 18 or call/e-mail by August 22.
Adult Services Large Group Events cosponsored by the City of Omaha Parks and Recreation - Therapeutic Recreation

**Annual PUSH Luau**
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Time: 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Mockingbird Community Center
10242 Mockingbird Drive

5:30-7:00 p.m. Swim in the pool
7:00-8:00 p.m. Eat dinner

**Price:** $15 for participants and $5 for staff and parents who eat.

Send RSVP to Amanda Clark by June 30 or e-mail/call by July 1, to aclark@olliewebbinc.org or 402-346-5220 ext. 31.

**The Autumn Formal Dance**
Date: Friday, September 12, 2014
Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Elkhorn Common Ground Recreational Center
1701 Veterans Dr., Elkhorn, NE

**Price:** $10 for participants and no charge for staff/parents

Send RSVP to Amanda Clark by September 8, or e-mail/call by September 10, to aclark@olliewebbinc.org or 402-346-5220 ext. 31.

**RESERVATION FORM – Adult Services**

Name: ____________________________ Phone #: (_____)_______________
Address: _______________________________ Zip: _________________________
Date of Birth: _______________________

Emergency Contact ___________________ Emergency Phone: ___________________

Will Staff be accompanying to event? (Indicate which event) ________________________________

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- **Food & Friends (July 1) (August 5)** $15 Arc member/ $20 non-member
- **Lunch and a Movie (July 19) (August 23)** $15 Arc member/ $20 non-member
- **PUSH Luau (July 3)** $15 /$5 staff/parents who eat
- **Budget Classes (August 12, 19, 26)** $45 Arc member/ $60 non-member
- **Autumn Formal Dance (September 12)** $10 /$0 staff/parents who eat

Total Enclosed: $ __________ Please make checks payable to: Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
Return to: Ollie Webb Center, Inc., Adult Services, 1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 122, Omaha, NE 68105
**Project II Self-Advocacy**

Members of Project II meet monthly to discuss and train others about self-advocacy. Please join our members on the following Fridays from 6-8 p.m. at Ollie Webb Center.

Because some meetings may be cancelled and/or rescheduled, please RSVP to Aimee Addison if you plan to join us. Her e-mail address is: aimeeaddison114@yahoo.com.

**July 18: Meeting/Training**
August 8: Summer dance — this event is not held at OWCI (see information below).

**September 19: Meeting**
October 10 - 12: Convention (no regularly scheduled meeting due to People First convention)

**November 14: Meeting**
December 5: Holiday party (Private party — open to active members of Project II only)

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**Project II’s SUMMER’S DANCE**

Come join us as we dance the evening away with Arnie the DJ.

**Date:** Friday, August 8, 2014  
**Time:** 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
**at PVA**  
76th & Maple  
**Cost:** $5.00 (can pay at door)
Diversability Festival

After months of design, redesign, and painting, the Diversability Mural was revealed on the back wall of the Tip Top Thrift Shop in Benson Friday, June 6th. Over 50 people attended the festival and dedication. The Art of Imagination students drew pictures for the crowds and showed off their original T-shirts created specifically for the festival. The mural was sponsored by WhyArts? and included artists from Quality Living Inc., the Munroe-Meyer Institute, VODEC and the Ollie Webb Center.
IN THE SPOTLIGHT!
DIVERSABILITY FESTIVAL
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