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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.

Saturday, June 2, 2018 • 6:30 P.M.

The White Gander – An Irish Folktale
October 25 – 28, 2018

This coming October, Ollie Webb Center, Inc. (OWCI) is supporting professional theatre artists and individuals with disabilities in collaborating on an original inclusive theatre production called The White Gander, written and directed by local theatre Director, Jill Anderson. The production will be The Art of Imagination's most challenging project to date featuring a full set, costumes, and technical aspects, including lighting and sound design.

During the past month, professionals from OWCI's The Art of Imagination and Supported Employment departments have collaborated to deliver workshops to those interested in auditioning for the upcoming play. The workshops were designed to help prepare OWCI's program participants for The White Gander audition process. Monologue delivery, stage presence, and voice projection were practiced with The Art of Imagination instructors, professional headshots were taken, and performance resumes were created by our Supported Employment department.

Auditions for The White Gander were held on May 7, 2018 at St. Matthews Lutheran Church with a panel of prestigious auditors, including Susie Baer Collins, former Associate Artistic Director at the Omaha Community Playhouse; Mindy Cotner, local theatre artist and Sound Technician at the Blue Barn Theatre; and Jill Anderson, Director of the upcoming play. More details about the production to follow in future editions of the Gazette.
2018 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 2018. 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 2018 Membership Form

Your membership will be valid from January 1 through December 31, 2018

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 email 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:  $______________  Your contribution is tax deductible.

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

Zoo Pass Available to 2018 Arc Members!

The Arc of Omaha has a free Family Zoo Pass available for use by its 2018 members. It allows two adults and four children to visit the Henry Doorly Zoo. Please note the following rules for its use:

1. The pass can be used anytime the zoo is open.
2. Families may use the pass as often as they like, as long as it is available.
3. Families using the pass must sign it out, giving their name, address, phone number, date of use and date returned. If a family misuses the pass, it is possible that the pass may not be available for them to use again.
4. When families arrive at the zoo, they must present the pass and check in at the Visitors Center.

Call 402.346.5220 to reserve the Family Zoo Pass.

DON’T FORGET!
to renew your Arc of Omaha membership for 2018.

Weather Policy

The following weather conditions may cause us to close our office and/or cancel/reschedule events.

• Tornado warnings
• Extreme heat of 90+ degrees and humidity
• Severe thunderstorms and/or lightning

If the weather is questionable, our services will be canceled.

If Omaha Public Schools cancel their day/night activities and/or staff deem it unsafe for travel our services will be canceled.

Note: If you are not sure if an evening/weekend “Adult Services” event will be held or canceled, call 402.346.5220 ext. 31 for event updates. Most decisions will be posted by 3:00 p.m. for evening activities, and 8:00 a.m. for daytime activities.

Ollie’s Bulletin Board
ACasseroleToGo.com has selected Ollie Webb Center, Inc. as the company’s 2018 charity partner. The organization will receive a donation equal to 10 percent of sales. Ollie Webb Center, Inc. ‘s mission is to enrich the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families through support, programs and advocacy.

This is the sixth year ACasseroleToGo.com has designated a charity partner to receive 10 percent of all sales. In the first five years of the program, ACasseroleToGo.com has donated almost $19,000 to charity partners.


ACasseroleToGo.com, a division of Abraham Catering, offers fresh, homemade entrées, sides and desserts for individuals, families, or corporate clients seeking ready-to-bake meals that are both healthful and convenient.

**ABOUT A CASSEROLETOGO.COM**

ACasseroleToGo.com was started in 2011 in response to requests from customers who wanted Abraham Catering food but didn’t have a large event requiring full catering services. Meals are packaged in ready-to-go pans, with baking instructions included. Offerings include breakfast quiches and casseroles, dinner casseroles, salads and a variety of desserts (pies, cookies, brownies and bars). Casseroles can be heated immediately or frozen.

Selections can be made on the company’s website, www.acasseroletogo.com. Orders are picked up from the Abraham Catering headquarters, 5520 Miller Avenue in downtown Ralston, or can be delivered in the Omaha area for an extra charge. Orders require 24 hours advance notice.
You are invited to fish with members of the Small Boat Bass Club at two privately-owned, well-stocked lakes in a park-like setting just outside of Omaha near Two Rivers State Park. The Small Boat Bass Club will provide fishing helpers and fishing equipment to catch the big one! Lunch will be provided for everyone thanks to the SBBC and their many sponsors.

This event is by reservation only—**Reservations are limited to 150, immediate family members only please.**

**To register go to:**
http://hookedonfishing2018.eventbrite.com

**Special Note:** Maps, schedule for the day and directions to the site location will be emailed one week prior to the event to those that have RSVP’d.
Debunking ABLE Account Myths

Information provided by the ABLE National Resource Center www.ablenrc.org

**Myth:** An individual has to be on Social Security benefits to qualify for having an ABLE account.

**Fact:** The final version of the ABLE Act limits eligibility to individuals with significant disabilities with an age of onset of disability before turning 26 years of age. If you meet this criteria and have also been found eligible to receive benefits through SSI and/or SSDI programs, you are automatically eligible to establish an ABLE account. If you are not a recipient of SSI and/or SSDI, but still meet the age of onset disability requirement, you could still be eligible to open an ABLE account if you meet Social Security’s definition and criteria regarding significant functional limitations and receive a letter of certification from a licensed physician.

**Myth:** An individual must be under the age of 26 in order to have an ABLE account.

**Actual:** An individual need not be under the age of 26 to be eligible for an ABLE account. You could be over the age of 26, but must have had an age of onset before the individual’s 26 birthday.

**Myth:** The only individual who can deposit money into the ABLE account is the qualified beneficiary.

**Actual:** Any individual, such as a family member, friend, or the person with a disability, may contribute to an ABLE account for the purposes of qualified disability expenses and for the benefit of the qualified beneficiary.

**Myth:** An unlimited amount of money can be deposited into an ABLE account.

**Actual:** The total annual contribution by all participating individuals (contributors), including family, friends, and the person with a disability, may contribute to an ABLE account for the purposes of qualified disability expenses and for the benefit of the qualified beneficiary.

**Myth:** Once my ABLE account exceeds $2000 I lose my eligibility for SSI benefits and Medicaid.

**Actual:** The first $100,000 in ABLE accounts would be exempted from the SSI $2,000 individual resource limit. If and when an ABLE account exceeds $100,000, if the beneficiary is receiving the SSI cash benefit, his/her cash benefit related to SSI would be put in a state of suspension until such time that the account balance falls back below $100,000. However, this would have no additional effect on the beneficiary’s eligibility for any other federally funded means tested benefit such as Medicaid.

**Myth:** If I have a special needs trust or participate in a pooled income trust, there is no need or benefit of me setting up an ABLE account.

**Actual:** While the different tools used for financial planning can be different from one beneficiary to another, ABLE accounts do offer different types of options that may not be as accessible with other types of trusts and savings accounts. An ABLE Account may provide more choice and control for the beneficiary and family then other types of trusts and accounts. Cost of establishing an account will likely be considerably less than either a Special Needs Trust (SNT) or Pooled Income Trust. With an ABLE account, account owners will have the ability to control their funds and, if circumstances change, still have other options available to them. Determining which option is the most appropriate will depend upon individual circumstances. For many families, the ABLE account will be a significant and viable option in addition to, rather than instead of, a Trust program.

**Myth:** If my state does not have an ABLE program, there is no opportunity for me to participate in the program.

**Actual:** No. While the original law passed in 2014 did stipulate that an individual had to open an account in their state of residency, this provision was eliminated by Congress in 2015. This means that regardless of where you might live and whether or not your state has decided to establish an ABLE program, you are free to enroll in any state’s program provided that the program is accepting out of state residents.

To determine which state ABLE programs are accepting out of state programs, please refer to the individual state pages. Examples of state ABLE programs accepting enrollment nationwide include: Ohio, Nebraska, and Tennessee. An example of a state ABLE program only accepting in-state residents would include the Florida ABLE United program.

**Myth:** In all circumstances the account must pay Medicaid the remaining balance upon the death of the beneficiary.

**Actual:** In all likelihood funds remaining in the account upon the beneficiary’s death will be used to reimburse the state for Medicaid related services. The amount of any Medicaid payback is calculated based on amounts paid by Medicaid after the creation of the ABLE Account and excludes amounts paid by the beneficiary as premiums to a Medicaid buy-in program.

**Myth:** An individual has to visit or contact a bank in order to set up an ABLE account.

**Actual:** ABLE programs are developed and managed on the state level, therefore the managing state has the flexibility to determine the process in which a person enrolls. Thus far, in an effort to keep administrative costs low and to ensure an affordable program for the beneficiary, enrollment (and maintenance of the account) is primarily done through the individual state ABLE program website/online portal. However, some states also offer the option to enroll via mail or fax.
NEXT CHAPTER BOOK CLUB
by Denise Gehringer, Program Coordinator
dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org

• Book Clubs meet once a week for an hour as a small group at a local coffee shop to read and discuss a book.
• All reading levels can participate!
• Members enjoy social connections and the delight of expanding their literacy.
• For more information email dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org

14 Clubs Meeting in the Omaha Metro Area!

Friendship & literacy in a community setting!

Spots open in clubs that meet on Monday in Papillion, Tuesday in Papillion, Wednesday at 180th and Center, Monday near 128th & Center, Tuesday in the Saddle Creek/Med Center area and Wednesday near 78th & Dodge.
Email ASAP to grab an open spot! dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org
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
Traci has worked with the Supported Employment and Continuing Education departments of Ollie Webb Center, Inc. (OWCI) for a number of years. She has attended work readiness and pre-employment classes, worked with a job coach to achieve continued success in a long-term position with Hy-Vee, and collaborated with Craig Kneifl, OWCI Supported Employment Coordinator in job development to pursue competitive employment opportunities.

“Traci had an exceptional attitude coming into job development and was willing to put in the work to find the type of career she could be happy with. With minimal guidance and supports, she was able to take charge during the job search process. The style of management and culture at Pizza Ranch was an ideal fit for Traci. It has been my pleasure to see her succeed in this role and an honor to have played a part in helping her achieve her career goal.”

In the fall of 2017, Traci decided to pursue a new career direction and chose to work with OWCI through the job development process. Traci and Craig, developed a positive partnership and worked as a team filling out job applications, touring businesses, and preparing for interviews. Traci was instrumental in the job search process by taking ownership researching positions and companies that she was interested in. She also showed great enthusiasm and often took the lead by initiating job applications and scheduling interviews with support from her job developer. In just over four months, Traci secured part-time employment with Pizza Ranch where she was one of 18 applicants for the position she was offered. Traci has now been at Pizza Ranch for two months where she is excelling in her customer service role.

Traci shared that, “In Job Development, I was treated as an equal partner by Craig. With his help, I was able to have independence in finding a job I wanted. Now that I am at Pizza Ranch I couldn’t be happier. My GM and other co-workers treat me with dignity and respect. What I love most about my work is interaction I have with customers.”
OLLIE’S PHOTO GALLERY
SIBSHOPS
Community Teen Lunch and Film Club

Spend the afternoon socializing, eating lunch and watching a movie with friends.

**Saturday, June 9 & Saturday July 7**

Start time between 12:15 - 12:30 p.m.
Westwood 8 Theater
2809 S 125th Ave # 297 Omaha, NE 68144

Pick-up typically between 2:00 - 2:15 p.m.
Lunch is included.
Cost: $15/Arc member • $20/non-member

RSVP to Amanda Clark aclark@olliewebbinc.org
THIS IS A PRE-PAYMENT EVENT ONLY!

Includes hot dog, popcorn, beverage and admission for participant only

Please email aclark@olliewebbinc.org the week of the film to find out an exact time for arrivals and which film we will be seeing.

Community Shop and Learn

Shop and Learn is an evening class with an emphasis on healthy eating and meal planning in a community setting. As a group, we will discuss meal planning, shop for ingredients and prep a simple meal.

**Monday, June 4 & Monday July 9**

6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
at Whole Foods Supermarket in Regency

(Please meet us in the café/eating entrance – we will use the “meeting room” next to it)
Cost: $15/Arc member & $20/non-member

Please note:
Class size is limited to 8 people. Before sending in your check/registration, contact Amanda at 346-5220, Ext. 31 or aclark@olliewebbinc.org to see if space is still available.

Fitness Club for Teens & Adults

**Saturday, June 30**
12:30 to 2:00 p.m.
St. Timothy’s (lower-level community room)
510 North 92nd Street Omaha, NE 68131

What better way to keep incorporating fitness in your life than with a group of peers and friends!? Each meeting we’ll have fun games, discussions and of course – physical activities to get everyone moving!

Types of exercise we will be trying with our own supported/adapted interests in mind:

- Yoga
- HIIT
- Aerobics
- Kick-boxing

Please wear comfortable clothes and shoes for fitness activity and bring a water bottle!
Cost: $5/Arc member and $10/non-member
RSVP to: aclark@olliewebbinc.org.

Come to four classes and earn your first fitness prize!

Summer Social Skills and Relationship Boundaries Classes

**June 6, 13, 20, 27**
Wednesdays • 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
at Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
Cost: $60 Arc member/ $80 non-member

All Ages are invited to participate – please check with Amanda to be sure there is room before sending in your RSVP.

Circles is a well-regarded program which uses circles of different colors to teach people with disabilities about appropriate behavior based on the type of relationship they have with family, friends, and others.

Online Curriculum for this program can cost $300-1,200 and it won’t be personalized or have the value of peer discussions on topics such as: who you can touch and how, who you can trust and why, and who you can talk to and what you can say.

aclark@olliewebbinc.org or 402-346-5220 ext. 31
Funplex day for mentoring matches is:

Monday, June 25, 2018
at Funplex
7003 Q Street • Omaha, NE 68117

Please email aclark@olliewebbinc.org to sign up your Just Friends match.

Midlands Mentoring Partnership is providing tickets for matches to the amusement park. Please plan to be in the sun and have some fun! Only matches are invited to attend so no OWCI staff will be present. Please plan to give an emergency contact when RSVP’s are emailed as well as information about who is dropping off/picking-up and at what time.

RESERVATION FORM – Just Friends

Name:_____________________________________________________ Phone #: (_____)________________

Address:___________________________________________________ Zip: ___________________________

Date of Birth:______________________________ Allergies:   _____________________________________

Emergency Contact ________________________  Emergency Phone:  _____________________________

I allow the use of images for public relations purposes and release and discharge Ollie Webb Center, Inc. and its employees and volunteers from any liability as a result of my participation and/or my child’s participation in the Adult Services Program  *Signature: _______________________________

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Teen Lunch and Film Club (June 9) • (July 7) ........................................................... $15 Arc members/$20 non-members

Fit Club (June 30) ........................................................... $10 Arc members/$15 non-members

Summer Circles I Series (June 6, 13, 20, 27) ........................................................... $60 Arc members/$80 non-members

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

Congratulations
to new matches Mikayla Neil and Ella Humphrey
ADULT SERVICES  
(Ages 19 and Older)  
by Amanda Clark, Program Coordinator  
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

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**Saturday, June 16**  
& **Saturday, July 14**

Start time between 12:15 - 12:30 p.m.
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**Tuesday, June 5**  
& **Tuesday, July 10**

6:00 to 7:30 p.m.  
at Whole Foods Supermarket in Regency

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ADULT SERVICES
(Ages 19 and Older)
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aclark@olliewebbinc.org

The City of Omaha Therapeutic Recreation Program and Ollie Webb Center, Inc. cordially invite you to the

Annual Ability Experience Luau Picnic Dinner with outdoor games
Thursday, July 12, 2018
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Mockingbird Hills Community Center
10242 Mockingbird Dr.
Cost: $15 members and $20 non-members
Register by July 5 by calling Amanda Clark at 402.346.5220 ext 31 or emailing aclark@olliewebbinc.org
Please join us in thanking the cyclists at the Ability Experience as they ride across the country spreading their disability rights and advocacy message.

RESERVATION FORM – Adult Services

Name:_____________________________________________________ Phone #: (_____)________________
Address:____________________________________________________   Zip: __________________________
Date of Birth:______________________________ *Allergies:  _____________________________________
Emergency Contact ________________________  Emergency Phone:  _____________________________
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END OF THE SEMESTER CELEBRATIONS

As we come to the end of the 2018 Winter/Spring semester of the Continuing Education/The Art of Imagination program at Ollie Webb Center, Inc., we can look back at the many successes and new challenges experienced by OWCI students over the past several months. Among the new and unique courses offered this past semester was an exclusive Board Game Development course in which students researched popular and less-known games from the past and present and then created original games of their own. A Historical Facts class used technologies old and new to investigate the history of Omaha, the state of Nebraska, and the rest of the world. And a special International Cuisine and Culture course brought the tastes and customs of many different countries from around the world to the students of OWCI.

To celebrate these extraordinary learning opportunities, several of our innovative new courses presented some of their achievements in a 3-day series of final demonstrations and performances. On Tuesday, May 22nd, the Board Game Development and Documentary Film classes held a joint open house featuring their final projects at Do Space. The Board Game students presented their original games to the public and the film students offered a screening of some of their work from over the past semester. Afterward a public question and answer session with the students was held, offering insight and information in regard to how the classes proceeded and how each participants’ goals were met. On Wednesday, May 23rd, at the Rose Theater in downtown Omaha, the Ollie Webb Center’s Musical Theatre program presented a cabaret performance highlighting students singing many popular tunes from old and new Broadway productions. Students were featured in solo performances as well as chorus presentations. And the Puppetry, Scenic Design and Costume Design courses came together to present a puppet production of Alice in Wonderland at the Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center on the University of Nebraska in Omaha campus on Thursday, May 24th. The Scenic Design students designed and built a fill-sized puppet theatre for the production, while the Puppetry and Costume Design students teamed up on creating Muppet-style puppets including the White Rabbit and Queen of Hearts characters among others.

The Continuing Education/The Art of Imagination program at Ollie Webb Center, Inc. continues to grow with each passing semester. Over the next several months, an original inclusive theatre production based on the ancient Irish myth The White Gander will be produced by the staff and students of OWCI in partnership with the Scottish Rite Cathedral. More exceptional new arts courses such as Dramaturgy, Dance and Music Studio as well as non-arts courses including Animal Careers, Budgeting and Kitchen Essentials will be offered in the coming summer 2018 semester. Ollie Webb Center, Inc. continues to provide creative and meaningful educational opportunities through its courses and special projects.
In April and May of 2018, Lisa McMichael, Independent Living Manager for Ollie Webb Center, Inc. (OWCI) provided a certificate-based tenant education course to OWCI participants and other community members. This course was created by the UNL Extension Office and is offered to anyone in the community who is considering renting their own apartment and for current renters who want to learn to be better tenants and develop positive tenant-landlord relationships.

The course offers many interactive learning activities focused on improving and enhancing the rental process. Class participants explored topics relating to: communicating in a positive and effective way with neighbors and landlords, prioritizing wants versus needs when it comes to budgeting and what they are looking for in a future apartment, understanding the importance of thoroughly inspecting a building before signing a lease, knowing what tenants are responsible for versus what landlords are responsible for, learning what fair housing rights mean, understanding the importance of keeping apartments clean and damage-free, and comparing moving expenses versus resigning a lease if rent is raised.

Lisa McMichael shared “The course went really well and there was a lot of participation from the participants”. Results from a Pre- and Post-Evaluation for the class showed that 75% of participants from this session are currently living in an apartment independently. When asked if the RentWise class offered through OWCI made a difference in their understanding of tenant rights and responsibilities, participants answered unanimously, “Yes!”, with additional feedback citing, “I learned what red flags to look for in housing discrimination”; “If you don’t pay your rent on time you will get evicted!”; and “This class was very informative and I would highly recommend it to everyone.”

OWCI is planning to offer RentWise as a certificate-based course again in the summer semester through the Continuing Education department which runs from June 4th to August 31st. Please contact Lisa McMichael for more information about comprehensive in-home services and one-on-one training to enhance independent living skills offered by her department.
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Serving the Programs of The Arc of Omaha
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