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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.

SAVE THE DATE!
We are excited to be a part of our city’s giving holiday - Omaha Gives! on May 25, 2016!

OMAHAGIVES!
Powered by the Omaha Community Foundation
Learn more or donate at Omahagives24.org

The Omaha Community Foundation is challenging you to support your favorite causes by donating during Omaha Gives!

Ollie Webb Center, Inc. has the chance to win matching funds and prize money for donations coming in. Get ready to prove how generous Omaha can be!
“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 2016. 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 2016 Membership Form

Your membership will be valid from January 1 through December 31, 2016

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.
Hooked on Fishing

Sunday, June 5, 2016, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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://hookedonfishing2016.eventbrite.com

Special Note: Maps, schedule for the day and directions to the site location will be e-mail one week prior to the event to those that have RSVP’d.
For information, contact Jim Hoggatt at 402.342.4418 x 30 or jhoggatt@olliewebbinc.org.

Art Show/Sale
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Ollie Webb Center

Come and enjoy our students’ artwork. You may even choose to take a piece home with you!

SIBSHOPS
(Ages 6 -13)
by Amanda Clark, Program Coordinator
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Sibshops will return this fall!

A SPECIAL & UNIQUE PROGRAM JUST FOR BROTHERS & SISTERS WHO HAVE A SIBLING WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.
Thursday, May 12, 2016  
6:00 - 7:45 p.m.

Foodie Fix is a fun way to learn and reinforce basic skills in the kitchen, while spending time with friends. We cook, then eat together!

Cost:  • Dance Party 2 Nights: $5/Arc member & $10/non-member  
      • Foodie Fix: $15/Arc member, $20/non-member  
      • Snack & Chat: $5/Arc member & $10/non-member

Please note: Class size is limited to 10 people. 
Registration info will be sent upon confirmation of space availability. 
Contact dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org to inquire if space is available.
**PARENT RESOURCE INFORMATION & SUPPORT MEETINGS**
by Denise Gehringer, Program Coordinator
dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org

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**ENable™**

Achieving a Better Life Experience

Join us to learn about the Nebraska ABLE Act and Enable Accounts

Representatives from First National Bank, the managers of ENABLE, will answer questions such as: What is an ENABLE account? Why the need for ENABLE accounts? Who is eligible for an ENABLE account? Are there limits to how much money can be put in an ENABLE account? Which expenses are allowed by ENABLE accounts? How do I open an ENABLE account? How is an ENABLE account different than a special needs trust? And many more!

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**Date:** Tuesday, June 28, 2016
**Time:** Two Sessions 5:30-7:00 p.m. AND 7:30-9:00 p.m.
**Dinner provided at both sessions by ENABLE**
**Location:** UNO Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center
6001 Dodge St.
Reserved Parking Available for the first 50 RSVPs, per session

**Reservations required.**

**RSVP at:** [http://enable-prism.eventbrite.com](http://enable-prism.eventbrite.com)

Space is limited. RSVP early to reserve your spot!

**Email requests or questions to:** Denise Gehringer dgehringer@olliewebbinc.org

Interpretation services available by request. Requests MUST be received by June 14, 2016

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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.
Meet our May Next Chapter Book Club Facilitator of the Month
Diana Allen-Lewis!

Diana has been involved with the book clubs for two years and has enjoyed the experience greatly. She learned of the organization through her sorority Delta Theta Chi when a presentation about the NCBC was given at one of the sorority meetings. The Delta Theta Chi ladies have a passion for supporting literacy in their community, so NCBC seemed like a great opportunity to help.

Diana enjoys being around the book club members and seeing them enjoying their friends while being exposed to good literature at the same time. This club has been having fun playing trivia games as a part of their meeting time.

Diana's club has read many great books over the past two years, and her favorite was The Jungle Book. She is looking forward to seeing the movie coming out this month!

A parent of one of Diana's Next Chapter Book Club Members had this to say about their experience with her, “Diana always has a pleasant smile for everyone and is so very patient and supportive of everyone's reading level.”

Thank you Diana for all you do for the Next Chapter Book Club!
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
Employee of the Quarter
At Longhorn Steakhouse

Matty Winkelmann, who has been working at the Longhorn Steakhouse at 74th and Dodge Streets for the past year, was named their Employee of the Quarter recently. Matty was chosen for the award out of nearly 500 employees in the region. When asked about her job she said, “I polish the silverware. Sometimes I roll it too.” She also told us that what she liked best about working at Longhorn Steakhouse was, “Just meeting new people.”

To celebrate Matty’s award, the General Manager of the restaurant, Amy invited Matty’s family and friends to a special lunch. Matty did not know that she was receiving the award. Upon entering the restaurant, she expressed dismay at the coincidence of so many of her friends being in the restaurant at the same time. The truth was soon revealed, and staff members of Longhorn read from letters that they had written to the regional headquarters nominating Matty for the Employee of the Quarter. All eyes soon became misty as Amy and others read about Matty’s warm smile, positive attitude, and strong work ethic.

Longhorn has been a longtime partner of Ollie Webb Center, Inc. employing OWCI consumers as well as opening their doors for an annual Superhero Breakfast fundraising event. Currently three Ollie Webb Center consumers work at the restaurant polishing and rolling silverware. When asked which Longhorn dish she enjoyed the most, Matty replied, “Steak. The kids’ steak. And sometimes salad, but that’s rare.”

Matty participates in the Ollie Webb Center’s education program and has acted in several of the Art of Imagination’s theatre projects. She most recently performed a major role in the Art of Imagination’s original production of Fear Liath at the Blue Barn Theatre. When asked how long she intended to continue working at the Longhorn Steakhouse Matty replied, “I’m not sure. It depends on if I get a book published.” Matty is an accomplished writer. One of her plays was performed at the Art of Imagination’s Loud Mouths Playwriting Festival in the spring of 2012. Matty did confirm however that until she landed a book deal, she’d be happy to remain in the employ of Longhorn for, “years and years.”
Just Friends News
(Ages 13 - 18)
by Amanda Clark, Program Coordinator
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Teen Food and Friends
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!

Guy’s Nights
May 2 (RSVP by 4/28)
June 6 (RSVP by 6/1)

Girl’s Nights
May 16 (RSVP by 5/13)
June 20 (RSVP by 6/14)

Location: OWCI
Cost: $15 for Arc members
$20 for non-members
RSVP to Amanda Clark at:
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Teen Lunch and Film Club
Spend the afternoon socializing, eating lunch and watching a movie with friends.
(Movie suggestions are welcome.)

Saturday, May 21 (RSVP by 5/14)
Saturday, June 18 (RSVP by 6/11)
12:30 - 3:00 p.m.
OWCI
Cost: $15/Arc member • $20/non-member
RSVP to: aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Cinco de Mayo Dance!
Dance with live DJ, photo booth and light refreshments!

Friday, May 6, 2016
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Mockingbird Community Center
10242 Mockingbird Drive
Cost $10 (no charge for staff/parents)

Please RSVP to aclark@olliewebbinc.org by May 3, 2016

Congratulations to our newest mentee/mentor matches

Cosponsored by the City of Omaha Parks and Recreation - Therapeutic Recreation

Mockingbird Community Center
10242 Mockingbird Drive
“Taking Care of Me” Safety and Lifestyle
Classes for Teens and Adults
See page 13 for details.

For Adult Services and Just Friends Participants cosponsored by the City of Omaha Parks and Recreation - Therapeutic Recreation

June Annual Picnic for Teens and Adults
Dinner, Socializing, Dancing and Outdoor Activities
(weather permitting)

Friday June 24
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Location: Hanscom Park Pavilion
Brick building - 3212 Woolworth Ave.

Price: $15 for participants and $5 for staff/parents who eat. RSVP to Amanda Clark by June 19.

Job Skills and Interviewing Classes
If you've asked yourself any of these questions…
How does one find a job?
What are applications and interviews like?
When I have a job – how do I make sure I keep it?
What could get me fired? – then this club is a good fit for you!

June 1 & 15, 2016
5:45 - 7:30 p.m.
OWCI

Cost: $15/Arc member & $20/non-member per class

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

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 child's participation in the Just Friends Program *Signature: ________________________________

PLEASE CIRCLE THE EVENT(S) THAT CORRESPONDS WITH PAYMENT

Guy’s Night Food & Friends (May 2) • (June 6) ........................................ $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members
Cinco De Mayo Dance (May 6) ................................................................. $10 Arc members/ $15 non-members
Taking Care of Me Classes (May 13) • (May 20) ........................................ $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members per class
Girl’s Night Food & Friends (May 16) • (June 20) ........................................ $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members
Teen Lunch and Film Club (May 21) • (June 18) ........................................ $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members
“Job Skills and Interviewing” Classes (June 1) • (June 15) .................... $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members per class
June Picnic at Hanscom Park (June 24) ...................................................... $15 Arc members/ $5 staff/parents who eat

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
Adult Food and Friends
Adult Food and Friends is a fun way to reinforce basic skills in the kitchen, while spending time with new and old friends. We cook then eat together!

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 still available.

May 3: Please RSVP no later than April 27. (19-30 years old ONLY)
May 17: Please RSVP no later than May 12. (30 years and older ONLY)
June 7: Please RSVP no later than June 3. (19-30 years old ONLY)
June 21: Please RSVP no later than June 17. (30 years and older ONLY)

Adult Lunch and Film Club
Lunch and Film Club is an afternoon of socializing over lunch and watching 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.

May 28: Send RSVP form to Amanda by May 20.
June 25: Send RSVP form to Amanda by June 21.

Cinco de Mayo Dance!
See page 10 for all the details.

June Annual Picnic for Teens and Adults

Friday June 24, 2016
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Location: Hanscom Park Pavilion
Brick building - 3212 Woolworth Ave.

Dinner, Socializing, Dancing and Outdoor Activities (weather permitting)
Price: $15 for participants and $5 for staff/parents who eat. RSVP to Amanda Clark by June 19.
ADULT SERVICES
(Ages 19 and Older)
by Amanda Clark, Program Coordinator
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

“Taking Care of Me” Safety and Lifestyle Classes
for Teens and Adults

All Ages: 5:45 to 7:30 p.m.
at Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
$15 per class for members / $20 per class for non-members

Friday, May 13: “Taking Care of Me” A basic guide for First Aid/CPR and Staying Safe
The goals of this class are to introduce basic First Aid and CPR training (no certifications) and get students thinking about safe practices at home and in the world. Preventing accidents is just as important as knowing what to do after they happen!

Friday, May 20: “Taking Care of Me” A guide to healthy lifestyle choices, hygiene and body image.
The goals of this class are to show everyone the impact of making good healthy choices and bad unhealthy choices on our bodies and personal body image.

Please email Amanda Clark with questions and to RSVP: aclark@olliewebbinc.org

RESERVATION FORM – Adult Services

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 child's participation in the Adult Services Program *Signature: _______________________________

PLEASE CIRCLE THE EVENT(S) THAT CORRESPOND WITH PAYMENT

Adult Food & Friends ................................................................. $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members
19-30 year-olds: (May 3) • (June 7) - 30 years and older: (May 17) • (June 21)

Cinco De Mayo Dance (May 6) .................................................... $10 Arc members/ $15 non-members

Taking Care of Me Classes (May 13) • (May 20) ................................ $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members per class

Dating 101 and Doughnuts (May 14) • (June 11) ............................ $10 Arc members/ $15 non-members

Adult Lunch and Film Club (May 28) • (June 11) .......................... $15 Arc members/ $20 non-members

Boat Camp (June 5) ........................................................................ $  5 Arc members/ $10 non-members

Annual Picnic at Hanscom Park (June 24) ................................... $15 Arc members/ $5 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
ADULT SERVICES
(Ages 19 and Older)
by Amanda Clark, Program Coordinator
aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Dating 101 & Doughnuts

May 14 & June 11 • 11:00 a.m. to Noon
Location: Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
Cost: $10 (includes doughnuts and juice)

This class series is for adults, 18 and over. The first morning (May 14th) will be spent pondering the questions: “What is a date?” “Why do people date?” and “Am I ready to date?” The class will be taught with dynamic curriculum for multiple learners based on the acclaimed book, Boyfriends and Girlfriends: A guide to Dating for People with Disabilities.

The second morning (June 11th) will be spent with Ms. Brandt, a dating coach from Omaha Matchmakers. She will give great dating tips and expert advice.

RSVP: aclark@olliewebbinc.org

Boat Camp: Fitness on a River Boat

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Missouri River while cruising North past Freedom Park, South under the Bob Kerrey Pedestrian Bridge and past the Omaha Riverfront! Fitness instructors, such as our very own Cassie Lacy, will teach fun activities. Water will be provided. You can bring your own money for concessions as well.

Sunday June 5, 2016
3:30-5:00 p.m. (Arrive at 3:00 p.m.)
Location: 151 Freedom Park Road
Located on Miller’s Landing

$5 Admission • RSVP by May 30 to aclark@olliewebbinc.org
Please pay in advance to:
Ollie Webb Center, Inc., 1941 S. 42nd Street, Suite 122, Omaha, NE 68105

No charge for family or staff who would like to attend. 18 and over event.
OLLIE’S PHOTO GALLERY

Best Buddies Talent Show
Thanks to all of our talented buddies who performed and everyone who came out to watch!”
# STAFF DIRECTORY

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