

ARKAY UNITY

July 2021 Newsletter

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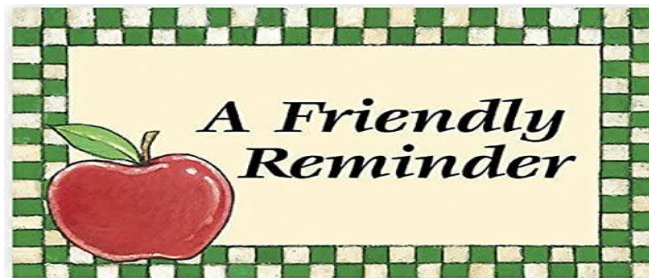
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The Staff That Proudly Serves Our Individuals:

Angelo Bivings, Brenda Capps, Dollie Germer,
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**ARKAY WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY JULY 2, 2021 IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY!
HAVE A SAFE AND FUN HOLIDAY WEEKEND!!**



“Our Mission is to assist the Developmentally Disabled and the Elderly Disabled to achieve community inclusion that enhances personal potential, employment opportunities and/or volunteerism.”



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE WONDERFUL CONSUMERS!!!!

Jessie Duncil 7/31; Steven Dukes 7/16; Tracie Labadie 7/5; Michael Tokatlian 7/27;
Michael Turner 7/9; Joseph Wirick 7/28;

BUSINESS DEVELOPER'S CORNER

Summer is finally here! We are quite busy getting ready for our upcoming CARF accreditation. Businesses are hiring now so if your son or daughter or Individual would like an employer paid job please contact the Arkay Business Development Department and we will be happy to work with them.

For our Individuals that have Micro businesses in late July we will start attending the Taylor Made Market being held on Wednesday afternoons at Heritage Park under the pavilion. If you have any questions regarding this, please call the business development department.

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer!

Your Arkay Business Development team: Kyra, Kim, Mark, Megan, Tammy & Ken.

Arkay Business Development: 734-258-8966

NEWS NOTES JULY 2021

It is hard to believe that it is already July with warm weather, sunny days & some storms. We are so happy to see consumers coming back to program. It is a sign that we are moving away from the COVID storm.

The Future is looking good for all of us because the Covid-19 vaccine has been well distributed and has been proven to be effective. We do not know the future, but we can have faith & hope that life will go on after the pandemic. We do not have everything under control in life. In a very ancient Psalm, it states "You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you."

Again, if you have a loved one who can't attend in person, Arkay has **virtual skill building (VSB)** which can assist your loved one. I want to emphasize VSB because it would be so good for your love one to interact & learn with others during this time period. We have a great team who has put together a great curriculum for the people we serve. I really think you would enjoy being part of this program. These sessions have been very welcomed by our participants. Our team is very dedicated to helping our consumers to connect with others using technology.

There will be a great variety of class discussions. It is very enjoyable. We are using the BOOM software which has a great variety of classes. Note: we can use these classes both virtually and in program.

At the end of the day, we want two things from you:

1. We want you to be satisfied with our services, &
2. We want to let you know how much we appreciate you for choosing Arkay.

Please feel free to call with any questions. We would be glad to assist & serve you in any way possible. The number is 734-282-8055.

Further, Arkay Incorporated is proud to announce our partnership with Charity Roaster. Arkay is able to provide you and your loved ones with delicious **bags of Arkay Coffee** available in an assortment of flavors. All Proceeds go toward furthering Arkay's mission to service the developmentally disabled and to support our consumers. Each bag is 12oz. of ground or whole bean coffee and all blends cost \$15. It comes in 8 varieties. Please visit www.miarkay.org/arkay-coffee.

Lastly, please consider setting aside part of your budget to support the work of Arkay with a tax-deductible charitable donation. We've simplified the donation procedure, allowing supporters to donate online or by mail. Visit www.miarkay.org to make a gift using a credit card or send a check to Arkay. Make a difference today. We thank you in advance for responding to this need.

Very Sincerely,

Kevin McGuckin
Arkay CEO

Activity Checklist for July 2021

Name: _____

*Food, Decoration, and/or Monetary donations are welcome for the parties listed.

*** Please turn in whole, Do not cut***

Activity:	Price:	1. What activities would you like to participate in? 2. What (if any) donation(s) will you like to make towards a party?
7/1: Zumba	FREE	
7/2: CLOSED		
7/5: Lunch at the park	FREE	
7/6: Pizza Bingo	\$5.00	
7/7: Supported Employment	FREE	
7/8: Art Appreciation	FREE	
7/9: Public Safety Class	FREE	
7/12: Hygiene Class	FREE	
7/13: Community Day	FREE	
7/14: Money Management	FREE	
7/15: Ice Cream Social	\$3.00	
7/16: Lunch at the Park	FREE	
7/19: Supported Employment	FREE	
7/20: Pizza Bingo	\$5.00	
7/21: Community Day	FREE	
7/22: Current Events	FREE	
7/23: Card Game Tournament	FREE	
7/26: Movie Day	FREE	
7/27: Discover The World	FREE	
7/28: Karaoke Day	FREE	
7/29: Gardening Class	FREE	
7/30: Birthday Celebration	\$7.00	
	Amount Enclosed \$ _____	
		Take from account \$ _____

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NO CHECKS ACCEPTED UNLESS 7 DAYS BEFORE THE EVENT!!!!				1 Zumba - (coordination skills, optimal health, following instructions)FREE	2 CLOSED	3
4	5 Lunch at the park — (healthy living skills, safety skills, endurance and team building skills) FREE ** YOU MUST PACK A LUNCH**	6 Pizza/Bingo Day - (math skill, working together, social conduct) \$5.00	7 Supported Employment Day- (appropriate attire for the workplace, social appropriateness, time management) FREE	8 Art Appreciation – (fine motor skills, creativity skills, coordination)FREE	9 Public Safety Class– (safety skills, listening skills)FREE	10
11**ITEMS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR DO NOT INCLUDE REGULAR DAILY OUTINGS	12 Hygiene Class- (hygiene skills and employment focused grooming)FREE	13 Community Day- (Community Integration, Confidence building)FREE	14 Money Management- (Money handling, budgeting, number skills)FREE	15 Ice Cream Social – (appropriate socialization skills, set up and take down skills) \$3.00	16 Lunch at the park – (healthy living skills, safety skills, endurance and team building skills) FREE ** YOU MUST PACK A LUNCH**	17
18	19 Supported Employment Day- (appropriate attire for the workplace, social appropriateness, time management) FREE	20 Pizza/Bingo Day - (math skill, working together, social conduct) \$5.00	21 Community Day- (Community Integration, Confidence building)FREE	22 Current Events - (confidence building, news, public speaking) FREE	23 Card Game Tournament- (critical thinking, number skills, strategizing)FREE	24
25	26 Movie Day- (decision making skills, compromising,)FREE	27 Discover the World (Cultural appreciation, background research, team building) FREE	28 Karaoke - (team building, optimal health, workplace socialization) FREE	29 Gardening Class - (responsibility, Cause and Effect, agricultural skills)FREE	30 Birthday Celebration - (kitchen safety skills and meal prep) \$7.00	31