



## THE ARC RESOURCE UPDATE



*The entire Arc Case Management department would like to thank all of the families and Arc Board for your generosity during Case Management Appreciation Week. The week was a welcomed surprise, and we greatly appreciate your support.*

*Thank you for your thoughtful cards, notes, and visits. We are honored to serve you and your family.*

*Please contact your case manager for further information and eligibility requirements for resources in the May Update. The Arc's phone number is 943-1191 and the website is [www.arc-sedgwickcounty.org](http://www.arc-sedgwickcounty.org). Take care and have a Happy May!*



### Community Resources

*There are numerous community resources available to you and your family. Please call your case manager for more details. Camp Resources are continued on Page Two.*

**The Sedgwick County Housing Authority** is opening the Waiting List on May 15th, June 19th, and July 17th from 8am-2pm to **Sedgwick County residents who do not live in Wichita**. The Housing Authority is located at 604 N Main, Suite E. Your income must be at or below 30% of the Average Median Income. The Waiting List does not open often, so please take advantage of this opportunity to get your name on the waiting list.

**Disability Day at Wild West World!** Children 18 and under are invited to come to Wild West World for **FREE** on **May 22nd!**

Children may bring in one adult guest for FREE as well! Wild West world is located on I-35 just South of the Greyhound Park. It will be open **10am-9pm**. There will be 24 rides and 6 shows open all day. Please **call 425-7000** for reservations and details!



**FREE!**



**Medicaid Dental Coverage** begins in April 2007! Kansas Medicaid is now offering a dental waiver **for adults who have the HCBS Waiver**. This means that dental appointments may now be covered by Medicaid. At this point, there are limited providers accepting Medicaid. Please contact your case manager for qualification information and provider lists.

### More Resources

**Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)** is an approach targeted to young children with autism (ages 3-6) that teaches all the basic information that they will need for grade school in a way that they understand. It teaches autistic children how to interact with others, understand social environments, and play. A consultant is now available in Wichita, Please contact Eric McDaniel at Rainbows United 204-3802.

The **Dan Marino Foundation** has a website at <http://www.childnett.tv> The website is designed to provide autism resources. Besides offering written information about autism, the website offers tv clips of autism programs. It also has a section that allows families to watch lectures from experts around the country. The "expert finder" allows you to look up autism resources across the country or in your neighborhood. You can also find support through their message boards in the "Help Wanted" section. This project is through the Dan Marino Autism Institute (MARI), and it is completely free to register to view the website. **This website offers wonderful training, support, and information**

### The Arc of Sedgwick County News for You!

Do you have an outstanding case manager? **The Arc Awards Banquet** will be held **May 10th at 6:30pm** at The Arc. Currently, we are **seeking nominations** in a variety of categories including volunteer, teacher, para, self-advocate, and case manager of the year. For more information and nomination forms, please visit our website at [www.arc-sedgwickcounty.org](http://www.arc-sedgwickcounty.org) or call The Arc at 943-1191. All nominations are due by **Friday, April 20th** and should include the nominees name, nomination category, and a brief explanation of why they deserve the honor. Please return all ballots to Kevin Fish by mail, email, or delivery and join us in honoring those who have given such outstanding effort in this field over the past year.



**The Legacy Endowment Pro-Am Gold Tournament** will be **May 7th** at Willowbend Golf Club. Lunch will be at 11 with a 12:30 tee-off time. Single player fee is \$200 and Corporate Teams of four are \$1000. Sponsorship opportunities available. **Call The Arc for details on this fundraising event!**

**The Arc Annual Membership Meeting** will take place on Monday, **May 14th at 7:00pm**. Please make plan on joining us! Call the Arc to check your membership status.




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### Activities


The Arc offers a variety of large and small group activities especially for you! Make it your New Year's Resolution to join in an Arc event! New spring schedules are now available! Please call **943-1191** for information and reservations!

#### Orchard Park May Events:

**BBQ Delight:** May 1 5:30-8:30   
Call The Arc for reservations!

**Arts & Crafts and Open Gym:** May 8 7p-8p  
Self-Advocate Forum at 6:15 (Motorcycle Night) 

**Dance!** May 15 7-8:30 

**Open Gym and Movie Night:**  
March 22nd 7-8:30pm 

**Bonus Dance - End of Spring Fling!**   
May 29th 7-8:30


#### Young Adult Club May Events:

**Please call The Arc for May YAC Events**

#### Discovery Days May Events:

**Overnight Opportunity:** May 4-5 Hutchinson Splash Down Indoor Water Park and Hotel - Drop off 5:30pm Friday and Pick up 3pm Saturday - \$45 or \$25/HCBS

#### Adult Days May Events

**Art Day:** May 9th 12:30-2:30 at The Arc. 

The second Adult Day Event for May is still To Be Determined. Contact The Arc for more information.

**2007 Mini Tours** are filling up quickly. There are a variety of day and overnight trips being offered throughout the year. Please contact The Arc for a calendar events and to reserve your spot today!

### For Your Information

**Lamar Special Cleaning Services** is a new home and office cleaning service. An initial visit costs approximately \$60-100 for a deep cleaning. Subsequent visits will cost approximately \$60. These prices may vary with house size and need. This service is fairly flexible and can be scheduled as a one-time clean, weekly, monthly, etc. **Contact David Lamar at 866-2649 or 305-5472.**

**Special Needs Billing** is increasing their reimbursement rate to \$8.55/hour for Supportive Home Care staff. Special Needs Billing can be reached at **688-0672 or www.snbllc.org.**

**Assist LLC** has a variety of experienced staff available throughout the week. Please contact your case manager if you are interested.

### SUMMER CAMP!

*There are numerous camps available this summer for your children! It is important to register early. Your Supportive Home Care money could help you with costs at certain camps. Please contact your case manager for more information. Below are camps that was not featured in the April Resource Update, but may be a great camp for you!*

**Just fOr You** - Retreat at Camp Mennoscah. "Just fOr You is a weekend retreat intended primarily for those with special needs and their families and/or caregivers, designed to provide enjoyment with each other and our Lord as well as encouragement and support." The retreat is **Sunday, May 27 2:00pm - Monday, May 28th 3:00pm.** To lodge in the retreat center, it costs \$100/family, \$35/individual, and \$25/child. To lodge in staff houses or cabins, it is \$90/family, \$25/individual, and \$20/child. Caregivers are asked to attend, especially if assistance is needed. Please call **620-297-3290** to register and for more information.

**Holy Family Camp - June 4-8th** at Camp Hiawatha This camp is hosted by the Catholic Diocese of Wichita and is intended to be a "spiritually, socially and physically rich experience." The camp is wheelchair accessible and will offer a variety of recreational activities. Please call the **Ministries for Persons with Disabilities at 269-3900** for more information. Applications are due by **MAY 1st**, so call immediately to register!



### Word of the Month

**Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)** are funded through Medicaid Waivers. Medicaid waivers are funded 60% federally and 40% state. **These services are intended to be another option rather than institutional services.** HCBS offers waivers in the following areas: Developmental Disabilities, Frail and Elderly, Head Injuries, Physical Disabilities, and Technology Assistance. Most people accessing The Arc's case management are eligible for the HCBS MRDD (Mental Retardation Developmental Disabilities) waiver. This waiver serves people ages 5 and over with the diagnosis of mental retardation or developmental disability and are eligible for an Intermediate Care Facility for people with Mental Retardation.