

The Arc of the Lake News

Mission Statement:

Our mission at The Arc of the Lake is to support individuals with disabilities and their families in directing their own lives as valued members of the community. The Arc believes that every person should have the opportunity to achieve at the highest level of independence.

Welcome and thanks...

Welcome to The Arc News. It has been a long time in coming, but we hope this will be the first of many issues. Since beginning in 2008, many individuals have served countless hours toward fulfilling our mission. Those many hours culminated in the opening of a thrift shop called Thrifty Threads and Things where, to date, we have offered job training and competitive employment to nine individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Several of those employees have gone on to pursue jobs beyond our shop!

As we move into 2012, we have big dreams for The Arc and Thrifty Threads and Things. We are excited to report that we have OUTGROWN our current location. Your donations have been so abundant that we need more room! Beginning in January 2012, you will find us at our new location, just 1.5 miles down Hwy 42. We are also thrilled to announce the inception of a new volunteer program for individuals with and without I/DD.

Just like The Arc has dreams, so, too, do individuals with I/DD. On page 2, you will find the very proud graduates of our 2011 job training program. All of these individuals have dreams! Take a look...perhaps you can help one of them achieve their employment dreams in 2012.

The Board of Directors of The Arc of the Lake would like to offer our most heartfelt thanks to the Lake community. We are grateful to the community for the amazing support we have received in our first year of business. We have been blessed by the generous donations of time, money, and thrift shop merchandise. There is truly no way we could have done it without you.

In 2012, we hope that you will continue to support our organization as we dream even bigger dreams. It is our hope that you may also achieve some dreams of your own!

The Arc of the Lake is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your donations are always tax deductible and greatly appreciated!

All we want for Christmas...

One item that would make Thrifty Threads and Things more profitable and more beneficial to the community is a CARGO VAN! We receive frequent calls from generous community members who have furniture to donate, but no way to get it to us. Our goal is to raise enough funds to purchase a "previously loved" cargo van and say "YES" to those donations in 2012!

You can give us our "Christmas dream" with your donations. Bring them by our store, mail them to 1135 Bluff Drive, Osage Beach, MO 65065, or visit us online at arcofthelake.org and click on the handy "Donate" button to use your credit card through Paypal!



Introducing our 2011 T&T Graduates!

Nicole Daugherty
Devon Hall
Jeremy Ikerd
Tina Martin

Tyler Mathis
Jamie Norton
Curtis Parman
Luke Rodriguez

Congratulations to our 2011 Thrifty Threads and Things graduates! Several of our graduates are seeking employment outside of our shop and are featured on our website at arcofthelake.org. If your company has an opening, you might consider one of these excellent candidates!

Donor's Hall of Fame... Thank You!

Albers Kuhn Foundation
Shawn Andreasen
Blankenbeker Family
Matt Brake
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Church at Osage Hills
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David Swearingin Family
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Walmart Camdenton
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XI Delta Lambda



Store Hours: Monday - Saturday 10-5
Address: 1135 Bluff Drive, Osage Beach
Jan 2, 2012 Address: 425 Hwy 42, Kaiser
Phone: 573-302-1700
Website: arcofthelake.org

SPECIAL PROMOTION:
\$5 a bag clothing sale
OPEN HOUSE:
January 14, 2012
Cookies, Beverages and Specials!

Join T.E.A.M. Arc

Want to be part of the fun in 2012? Join T.E.A.M. Arc! Together Everyone Achieves More! We believe that people with I/DD and people without I/DD have a lot to offer one another. In fact, we are so certain that everyone could benefit from making new friends outside their usual sphere that we are offering an exciting opportunity for Lake area residents.

If you would like to develop a friendship through shared volunteer work at Thrifty Threads and Things, T.E.A.M. Arc is for you.

Sound like something you might like to try? Visit us online at arcofthelake.org for more information and to download an application form. Or, stop by the shop, pick up a form, and visit with Craig, Polly or one of our board members to learn more about this unique opportunity.

Extra Special Thanks Goes to....

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