

Message from the President

This year has been another great year for the Arc of Adams County. The word of the year and moving forward is collaboration. The past year has been a year full of collaborations. A new after school program with Under the Horizon and Easter Seals began in January, bringing creativity, fun and friendship for students after school. The Arc with Typical Life Corporation, Easter Seals, and Penn Cares will be presenting ACT: Adams County Transitions in May. Adams County Transition is aimed to support special need citizens and their families in planning for the future. The seminar will be held on May 1st, 2019 from 6:30-8:30 at the HACC Campus in Gettysburg. Adams County Housing Authority and the ARC collaborated in providing independent housing to a number of citizens. Giving an opportunity to adults to live the lives they want to live as independently as possible. A new donation program began with Panera Bread, ARC, and Typical Life Corporation. Panera Bread has donated pounds of breads, bagels, and treats to be sorted and handed to those living independently and those in need. The United Way of Adams County has been generous to let us use their facilities to sort and package the bread. If you know of anyone who could benefit from Panera Bread donations, contact the ARC. This year has seen events continue with Friday Fun Nights, Adams County Giving Spree, Exhibition of Creativity, and the ARC's annual fundraiser the Fabulous Hubcaps. Save the date for next year's Fabulous Hubcaps to be held on September 21st, 2019. In the next year, the ARC continues to collaborate and work with others to create more programs geared to increasing independence for all citizens, bringing support to families, and being an important member to the Adams County Community.



Advocate's Report

The year 2019 has started off to be a very busy year for the Arc of Adams County filled with new partnerships that are providing an incredible amount of opportunities for our citizens with disabilities. The Arc has been partnering with United Way to volunteer on a regular basis, The Housing Authority to provide help with independent living in the last year we have assisted five individuals with intellectual disabilities and fifteen individuals with Physical disabilities secure safe affordable housing. Easter Seals of Western and Central Pennsylvania is also partnering with us to provide some evening opportunities for socialization in the community and the after school program that is located at Under The Horizon Pottery on Tuesday and Thursday from 3 - 6 pm. Typical Life Corporation is partnering with us to provide the Panera Bread dough-nation project, they receive the bread and bakery items on Wednesday night and package and distribute on Thursday to Special Olympics and other special needs citizens in the community. Thrivent financial is reaching out with financial planning for your future. Typical Life corporation, Easter Seals, and Penn cares are partnering to bring a forum on transitioning through life as your needs change so you know where and how to receive services that you need. The Arc also continues to provide family support, community relationships, employment opportunities, children's services recreation, and educational services. Adams County is such an amazing community and it is reaching out in so many ways with donations of products from Papa John's pizza, Domino's, Pizza hut, Subway, Knouse foods, Mr. G's, Bruster's Real Ice Cream, Perkin's, Hanover Auto motive group, Rita's, Winter Garden's, Utz foods, Kennie's Market, Weis Market, Giant, Hollabaugh's, A/V solutions, UTH, The National Arc, The Pa Arc and our local Arc's are great partners. Please take time to visit the business's that support our needs on a regular basis.



Save the Date!!

The Fabulous Hubcaps!

Date: September 21st, 2019

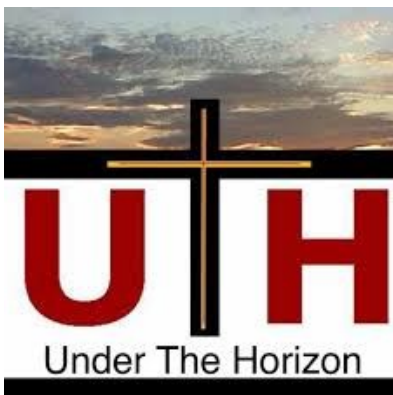


Under the Horizon Easter Seals

After School Program

As my child was growing up, we reached the age of 10 or so and staying with a sitter after school was for "little kids". Sound familiar? Well 10 years old is growing up, but without a Grandparent or neighborhood friend what do you do? There was more than one time I came home from work to the smell of burned microwave popcorn. Not good. Or the day the after school phone call turned into a mad dash home because "the nice ladies were reading the Bible " to him. He didn't know their names and by the time I got home they were long gone. Also not good, the rule was No One was to be left in the house until I got home. What to do, what to do? That was when the seed for an after school program was planted.

Fast forward to 2019. The Arc of Adams County along with Easter Seals of Central Pennsylvania has started an after school program for students age 10 to 18 years old. The program is just beginning and is held on Tuesday and Thursday at Under The Horizon near Biglerville. The students are transported to the after school program by school district transportation at no cost to the student's family. The program is supervised by an Easter Seal Society employee. There are fun activities and time to make new friends. The cost is only \$5.00 per day. What a bargain. No more burnt popcorn or strangers in the house-just peace of mind. Call the Arc of Adams County at 717-677-8487 for more information.



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Calendar of Events 2019

April:

4/5: Friday Fun Night

4/15: Board Meeting

May:

5/1: Adams County Transition: Transitioning for Independence

5/20: Board Meeting

June:

6/17: Board Meeting

TBD: Camp Summit

July:

7/15: Board Meeting

August:

8/19: Board Meeting

September:

9/23: Board Meeting

9/21: Fabulous Hubcaps

October:

10/4: Friday Fun Night

10/21: Board Meeting

November:

11/18: Board Meeting

TBD: Giving Spree

December:

12/6: Friday Fun Night

12/16: Board Meeting