



Promoting Quality of Life for Persons with
Developmental and Related Disabilities

THE OZAUKEE COUNTY ARC, INC.

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Meeting Notice

Monday, December 7, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Portal Industries, 1015 Cedar Creek Rd., Grafton

DECEMBER 7 MEETING

Let's get in the holiday spirit by bringing some Christmas cookies to share at the meeting (six to a dozen, depending on size). Coffee will be available.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order
- II. Minutes of October meeting
- III. Treasurer's report
- IV. Announcements and correspondence
- V. Old business
- VI. New Business
 - A. Adaptations Catalog
 - B. Transition Night – Homestead HS
 - C. Jesus Cares Ministry
 - D. Heart and Home Consignment Shop
 - E. Grant Applications – Howard Mulloy
 1. Underserved teenagers
 2. Families with unfunded special Needs
 - F. Replacement for newsletter editor
 - G. Other
- VII. Adjournment

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Cindy Helm

Happy Holidays to all! As we are busy with our holiday preparations, let us try not to forget the battle over health care reform and our need to continually advocate for our developmentally disabled population. The *Tuesday Morning Memo* by Jim Hoegenmeier that Karen forwards is a must read so we can stay up to date on the happenings and react if need be.

Karen Nadolski and I represented OCarc at Transition Night at Homestead High School on November 17. This is held every other year for special education students in Ozaukee County. We

passed out our new brochures and talked to many people about our mission. Hopefully it will result in a few more new members. Speaking of Karen, she and her husband Duane are the focus of *Meet our Members* column this month.

MEET OUR MEMBERS

Cindy Helm, President

Duane and Karen Nadolski have been members of OCarc for at least 30 yrs. Duane has been the treasurer for several years now and is a board member of Balance, Inc. Karen has been VP and editor of the newsletter for many years (any new volunteers out there?) Karen also serves on Ozaukee County's Aging and Disability Resource Center Board -- the only member that represents the disabled.

They have six children. Their son Andrew is 37 years old. He was diagnosed with Angelman's Syndrome when he was 19. Most individuals who fit that clinical description can be diagnosed with a chromosome test. He is doing very well in a program developed for him by Balance, Inc. and lives in one of the Balance two-person adult family homes.

Karen founded the Friendship Club in Port Washington. She was teaching religious education for the special needs high school students about 20 years ago. They enjoyed it so much that the parents asked if they could continue on after graduation. Karen had heard of a Friendship Ministries Club in Sheboygan and went to visit it. Friendship Ministries is an ecumenical bible study and social group which pairs the developmentally disabled with a volunteer mentor from his or her own denomination. The group originated with 15 at St. Peter of Alcantara Church in Port Washington. It has now grown to 45 members (and 45 volunteers) and is currently held at Christ the King Lutheran

Church in Port. A Friendship Club has also been started at Crossroads Presbyterian in Mequon and at a Lutheran Church in Cedarburg.

OZAUKEE COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Ross Rintelman

Volleyball The district volleyball tournament was held at Preble High School in Green Bay. All three teams from Ozaukee County made it to the tournament, the Hawks, Eagles, and Falcons and took 2nd place.

All three teams will be at the state tournament to be held at the sports center in Waukesha on December 5th.

Bowling The Ozaukee County Jets bowling team will be going to state this year. The state tournament will be held in Wauwatosa on the same date as volleyball, December 5th. The team played earlier in two other tournaments, placing 3rd place in October and 2nd place in November.

Basketball Practice will begin in December when the volleyball and bowling state tournaments are over.

Editor's note: Thanks, again, to Ross for contributing to the newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

A form is included with the newsletter for renewing your membership for the coming year. Dues are \$30 for a family and \$25 for an individual. Fill out the form and mail it with a check to OC Arc Membership, P.O. Box 526, Port Washington, WI 53074-0526.

PORTAL BAKE SALE

The annual holiday bake sale which benefits Portal Industries will be held on Thursday through Saturday, December 3rd to the 5th, at the Cedarburg Cultural Center. The address is at W63 N643 Washington Ave.

Hours of the sale are Thursday, noon to 5 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Traditional holiday goodies such as cookies, candies, breads and snack mixes will be available.

SIMPLIFIED WORSHIP SERVICE

Jesus Cares Ministry is starting a new program this fall. A simplified worship service geared for people with developmental disabilities will be held every 3rd Thursday of the month at Redeemer Lutheran Church at W78 N607 Wauwatosa Road in Cedarburg. The service starts at 6:30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes with snacks, drink, and fellowship to follow.

There is no cost to attend this service and it is open to all. You do not need to be a member of Redeemer to attend.

OZAUKEE COUNTY CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

An afternoon of painting your own pottery or making a mosaic is planned for the afternoon of Sunday, December 13 from 3 to 5 p.m. It will be held at the *Art Trooper*, 11055 N. Port Washington Rd, Mequon

The location is 1/8 mile south of Mequon Rd. on Towne Square Rd. next to Leonard's Pizza Restaurant.

OC Arc, Inc. Minutes October 5, 2009

President Cindy Helm called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M., with 6 members present.

Secretary's Report

The Secretary's report for August was reviewed. A motion was made by Gerry Kultgen to approve the minutes, seconded by Marjorie Kreienbrink, and approved by all.

Treasurer’s Report

The Treasurer’s report as of September 11th, 2009 shows total funds of \$37,280.67. We have \$7,969.94 in our checking account, and a total of \$29,310.73 in a Money Market Account that is currently paying a rate of 1.6%. Laurie Williams made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report, seconded by Marjorie Kreienbrink, and approved by all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Helm stated we received a thank you note from Balance, Inc. for our \$3,000.00 grant that was used for the Ozaukee County Summer Recreation Program.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

1. There was a short discussion on the frequency of our meetings. It was decided that the current schedule meets the group’s needs and no change would be made at this time.
2. We had two grant requests for the 4th quarter. One was from Helping Hands Healing Hooves and the other was from Balance, Inc. After discussion both requests had merit and Marge Kreienbrink made a motion to give a grant of \$1,000.00 to Helping Hands Healing Hooves, and \$500.00 to Balance, Inc. Ray Kultgen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. by President Helm.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie L. Williams,
Secretary

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