SEVEN HONORED BY THE ARC AT ANNUAL DINNER

The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming recognized seven community members with disabilities at the agency's annual dinner and awards ceremony, held Friday, June 1 at the Wadsworth Homestead in Geneseo.

Art has always been a priority for Juan Padilla, who received the Drew Moran Community Involvement Award. Despite being a man of few words, his paintings have helped him to reach out and grow within the art community.

After moving into an Arc-operated home in Warsaw, Juan was able to connect with the fledgling program Indicator Art run by Matt Palmo out of East Aurora.

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Mike had previously lived at an Arc-operated group home in Geneseo, where he worked hard on cooking, money management and other goals to make his dream come true. He has fond memories of joking with staff, but says that he "wanted to move out to be more independent."

Always on-the-go, Mike travels to Disneyworld every year with family. Other activities in which Mike has participated include bowling, Special Olympics swimming, and horseback riding. Mike is employed doing a variety of jobs at the Hilltop work center in Mount Morris.

Community Services Achievement Award recipient Christina Pittman, of Perry, is well known for her outgoing personality. For much of this year, she has brought her love of life to Lattimore Physical Therapy, where she serves as an enthusiastic volunteer through The Arc's Community Connections program.

FAMILIAR FACES, NEW ROLES

As families supported by The Arc are aware, July 1 marks the end of Service Coordination as a program of The Arc. After that date, individuals who have “opted in” will be supported by a different organization.

But in many cases, those services will be delivered by very familiar faces.

Sixteen current Service Coordinators and three Service Coordination Managers from The Arc have accepted job offers as Care Coordinators for Person Centered Services, which is the Care Coordination Organization that will oversee individuals’ service and care coordination as OPWDD’s People First Care Coordination initiative kicks in. The remaining Service Coordination employees will stay at The Arc, in new roles.

Under People First Care Coordination, Service Coordinators can no longer work for provider agencies like The Arc. When they assume their new role as Care Coordinators, the former Arc employees will also have added responsibilities regarding the coordination of individuals’ medical needs.

Director of Service Coordination Jen Warner will remain with The Arc, as Director

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**Message from the President**

It has been a busy spring at The Arc, as we look forward to summer. We have been preparing for the transition of Service Coordination on July 1; at our Annual Dinner, we recognized and applauded community supporters, people who receive our services, and scholarship winners; and we enjoyed great weather and food at the Taste of Livingston.

We also celebrated service anniversaries of long term employees. I wish to add my congratulations to all, and especially to Wanda Caldwell for 35 years of service so far! It is so important to our continued success to have valued, dedicated staff who stay with us long term. They bring consistency as well as stability to the people we serve and their families, and also to newer staff that need mentoring and guidance.

As usual, my continuing message to all our Arc family is this: Do not give up your very important role as an advocate for the agency. The war for adequate funding, appropriate legislative support at both state and national levels, as well as community commitments for fundraising, consumer employment and residential opportunities goes on.

The people may change, but the message doesn’t. Get involved! Join a committee, or the Board, volunteer at events, talk to everyone, and recruit members – there is power in membership numbers.

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**From the Executive Director**

Communication, Advocacy, and Recognition of our success are critical in these changing times.

Board President Cheryl Englert and I held Town Hall meetings in Geneseo and Perry this March; they went very well, and it was great to see many new faces. Our transition from The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) to Person Centered Services Care Coordination is going as smoothly as possible. Our MSC team has done a phenomenal job balancing their monthly work, training for a new system, and helping families understand the changes and options of the new system. Our programs continue to evolve and give individuals more person-centered options and these have been shared with our MSC team.

President Englert; Director of Day services Kellie Kennedy; Behavioral Specialist Becky Bridge; two Self Advocates, Heather Bump and Lisa Irwin; and I drove to DC for The Arc Disability Conference. We met people from all over the country, and spent time with Congressman Chris Collins and aides from both Senator Schumer and Senator Gillibrand’s offices. Our Advocates educated our Representatives on issues critical to Arc programs.

We have had several events recently to celebrate the success of our staff, individuals we support, and our agency. At a longevity luncheon, we acknowledged 87 staff members for years of service in 5-year milestones, from 5 years to 35 years (Wanda Caldwell). We also thanked 54 staff members for their 2017 Perfect Attendance. Our Annual Dinner was a great success where we heard a poem from LIVES student Ginny Eley, enjoyed art from Juan Padilla, photographs taken by our Different Point of View group, and listened to our Arc Idol winner Katrina Finch sing beautifully while accompanied by Dan Saunders, who is the Assistant Conductor at the Metropolitan Opera in NYC and more importantly Mark’s brother.

When you renew your membership, please reach out to your friends and family to ask them to join The Arc. We are stronger together. Help us Communicate, Advocate and Recognize our success.

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**Tetamore Earns Foundation Hero Award**

Photographer Larry Tetamore, of Avon, has been involved in all aspects of photography, graphic design and printing since he was in high school. His philosophy: “When you press the shutter button, that moment captured will never happen again. I love doing that, capturing those moments.”

For the past 2 years, Larry has given individuals with disabilities the opportunity to capture moments that will never happen again through his participation in the Different Point of View photography project. For his efforts, Larry received the “Hero Award” from The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming Foundation at The Arc’s Annual Dinner, June 1 at the Wadsworth Homestead in Geneseo.

Photos taken by Arc program participant at Letchworth and SUNY Geneseo under Larry’s guidance have been featured in professional exhibits at Livingston Arts gallery, Letchworth State Park, Mount Morris Dam, SUNY Geneseo, and more.

Through his artistic eye and mentoring skills, Larry has facilitated a better understanding of the photographers’ perspectives and worldviews.

Working closely with Arc staff member Mary Coniglio and her team, Larry has given individuals opportunities to show others what they think is beautiful and interesting, showcase their work, and demonstrate to the world that they are more than just a person with disabilities.
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Congratulations, Leah and Professor Adams!

"They're all good days," Janet Recktenwald replies, when asked to recall her best day as part of The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming. The Arc and the Livingston County Chamber hosted about 400 guests at the Taste of Livingston County food tasting event, Tuesday, May 22 at Camp Stella Maris in Livonia. Vendors included 3 Legged Pig, Angry Rooster Deli, Applebee's of Geneseo, The Barn Restaurant, The Beachcomber, The Big Tree Inn, The Cake Place, Campus Auxiliary Services (at SUNY Geneseo), Deer Run Winery, Dublin Corners Farm Brewery, Hook & Spoon, Leisure’s Restaurant, Monk’s Bread, Once Again Nut Butter, O-Neh-Da Eagle Crest Vineyards, OSB Ciderworks, Partyman Catering & Rental, Reminisce Soda Fountain, Suzee's Gluten-Free Bakery, Sweet Arts Bakery, Twister's Homemade Ice Cream Shop, Wegmans, and Wendy’s Pantry & Country Mouse.

The Arc volunteers who baked more than 800 cookies Friday, March 30 at Finger Lakes Cookie Company in Geneseo. Shop owner Lori Bush, whose sister Linda Bush works at the East Avon work center, donated all of the day’s proceeds to our agency.

One dollar raised – that’s a lot of dough! PR director Jeff Thomas and Board Secretary Marcy VanZandt were among a handful of Arc volunteers who baked more than 800 cookies Friday, March 30 at Finger Lakes Cookie Company in Geneseo. Shop owner Lori Bush, whose sister Linda Bush works at the East Avon work center, donated all of the day’s proceeds to our agency.

Did you know that small business week was April 29th - May 5th this year? Finders Keepers thrift store employee Nancy Heap did! Here she is with a certificate of recognition for the store, given to us by the Livingston County Chamber of Commerce.

The Arc's Day Hab and Seniors Day programs were given certificates of appreciation on Wednesday, May 16 by Juliana Smith from the United States Army Corps of Engineers at Mount Morris Dam. Both programs worked together to help enhance the visitor experience at the dam by helping clean up the grounds, off-site special event support, and supplying refreshments to over 1,100 community members.

Congratulations, Joe Wright! Joe was honored on Friday, April 27 by the Geneseo Garden Club for his passion and protection of the Monarch Butterfly. Each year, he carefully collects and nurtures caterpillars in a safe place, and releases the mature butterflies into the environment. Joe received his certificate from Garden Club Conservation Co-Chair Claire Chen at an Arbor Day ceremony held by the Cavalry Road entrance to the Island Reserve Trail.

Self Advocates Heather Bump and Lisa Irwin and Board President Cheryl Englert were among those who took part in a productive trip to Washington, DC this April. Thanks for representing us at the 2018 Disability Policy Seminar!
**Almeter Earns Community Partnership Award**

“Like to teach individuals with disabilities how to be included in the normal everyday life of a working person,” is the way that Karen Almeter describes her philosophy.

For her dedication to individuals supported by The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming, the agency honored Karen with the Community Partnership Award on Friday, June 1 at the Wadsworth Homestead in Geneseo.

Karen is a manager with Sodexo, which runs the food service operation at Letchworth Central School in Gainesville. Karen and Sodexo have been extremely welcoming, and they take a person-centered approach to employment.

She is always willing to spend the extra time necessary to train workers from our Hilltop Business Services program. She embraces workers’ differences as a way to empower everyone to have a positive view of individuals with disabilities.

Karen employs Hilltop workers with very different strengths and needs. Karen and her co-workers have embraced them and worked very hard to ensure that they are part of the crew.

Training and advancement are tailored to the individual. Karen trains them in the skills they need to perform the job, and also mentors them in the needed social skills to build relationships with their co-workers and the students they serve.

Employees with disabilities are trained and included in the entire food service process, from food preparation to washing dishes, serving food, and monitoring kids during lunch line. They work alongside every other employee in the area, complementing each other’s strengths.

Total integration occurs as employees (disabled and non-disabled) excel as a team, with each performing the tasks that are best suited to them.

While food preparation is a key component of their job, Karen teaches her employees much more. Being in a school setting, she takes the time to help each person be comfortable working around children, which opens other areas of opportunity.

Karen values the ideals of equality and equal opportunity. Her positive nature, and willingness to work with individuals to find and build their individual strengths, makes her an excellent role model.

**HONORING A TRUE FRIEND**

The Arc family lost someone very special in December when Bill Sleight was found deceased in his home in Mount Morris at age 54.

For Fred Yates, who was honored by The Arc at our Annual Dinner on Friday, June 1 at Wadsworth Homestead in Geneseo, Bill was a close friend of more than 30 years. Like so much in Bill’s life, their friendship began over a love for sports.

Fred and Billy (as Fred called him) met more than three decades ago, when Billy would watch Fred play medium pitch softball at Kelsey field in Geneseo. An instant friendship formed.

Over the years they went to many sporting events and spoke on the phone several times every day. They especially loved when the section 5 teams would make it to playoff level, often travelling a great distance to watch the local teams play. Just a couple weeks before he passed, Billy was able to join Fred for a surprise Buffalo Bills game. Billy was always looking to help people and this game was no exception. He wouldn’t leave the game because he was afraid they’d left a member of their group behind!

On the fateful December day of Billy’s passing, it was Fred who alerted authorities to check on his friend. After a couple of days of not hearing from Billy, Fred sensed that something may be wrong. He called Mount Morris Police.

If you knew Billy, you knew he was always happy and smiling and just loved life. As we search for a silver lining to this tragic loss, we can find some comfort in the genuine friendship between Fred and Billy – a friendship that began over a softball game, and grew to bring both men so much joy for so many years.

“Tonight, we honor Fred Yates for looking out for one of our own: Bill Sleight,” Arc Board President Cheryl Englert said, presenting the award to Fred. “Thank you, Fred. Any friend of Billy’s is a friend of ours.”

**The Time of Their Lives**

Internships are an important part of LIVES Program students’ experience on the SUNY Geneseo campus. Nobody is more instrumental in students’ success at those internships than their internship supervisors.

From the college union to dining halls, lawn crews, and everywhere in between, LIVES students gain real-world experience with support from their supervisors, who are the unsung heroes of the LIVES Program.

On Tuesday, May 1, LIVES students held a special luncheon for supervisors at the Big Tree in Geneseo, to sing their praises and say “thanks.”

**CONGRATULATIONS, LIVES GRADUATES!**


The LIVES Program is a four year transition program on the campus of the State University of New York College at Geneseo. It enables students with intellectual and other developmental disabilities to participate in an immersive four-year college experience.
**ARC FOUNDATION AWARDS STUDENT, CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming Foundation awarded four scholarships valued at $2,000 each at The Arc's Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Friday, June 1 in Geneseo.

**Angela Aguglia** attended Attica High School, where she had a 94 grade point average. She will go to SUNY Geneseo in the fall of 2018, to study Childhood & Special Education.

Angela says that she wants the chance to make a lifelong impact on students' lives.

"Teaching students with special needs will allow me to be an advocate for each of my students," she says. "As an advocate, I can go beyond the classroom duties to create the best educational plan for my students to make a difference in their life."

Angela has been a member of National Honor Society, and a volunteer at the Greenfield Health and Rehabilitation Center.

**Holly Green** is a KidStart employee of approximately 25 years. She has worked in her position as Head Start Family Advocate for 17 years, working with low income families and their children - some with developmental delays – to guide them in their growth and development.

Holly is four classes away from obtaining her bachelor's degree in Human Services, Child Welfare, and Family Services from Empire State College. The Foundation scholarship will help her to reach that goal, and continue her work at KidStart.

Here's what Holly's KidStart peers had to say about Holly, in recommending her for the Foundation scholarship:

"When Holly sees a child or family struggling, she does whatever is needed to remedy the situation."

"Holly demonstrates school leadership, and is able to build professional, trusting, and positive relationships with children and their families."

"She often goes above and beyond to assist families through a variety of difficult situations."

**Morgan Farman** graduated from Livonia High School with a class rank of 5. She has been accepted to Canisius College, where she will study to become a Special Education Teacher. In the summers during school, she plans to work as a teacher's aide in Canisius' autism program.

Morgan solidified her commitment to Special Education this past year, after an experience job shadowing in a Special Education classroom in the Rush-Henrietta school district.

"I want to be the teacher that helps all of them reach their fullest potential," she says.

Morgan has been a special needs swim class volunteer, modified swim coach, and a member of National Honor Society.

**Stephanie Metz** has been with KidStart for 17 years, working a majority of those years in the classroom.

While at KidStart, she has worked hard to grow professionally, completing her bachelor's degree, master's degree, and most recently, she returned to school to complete her Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration.

The Foundation Scholarship will help Stephanie with the cost of her current graduate program at the College at Brockport, to strengthen the leadership skills necessary for her continued professional growth at KidStart.

Stephanie earns high marks from her fellow KidStart employees. Here's what a few of them had to say in support of her nomination for the scholarship:

"Stephanie's ongoing professional development has been characterized by dedication to working with special needs children and a commitment to the agency."

"Stephanie works hard to support each child, family, and classroom to create a welcoming and positive first school experience for the children we serve."

**Warsaw Supervisor Rebecca Ryan** presented Board President Cheryl Englert, Secretary Marcy VanZandt, Executive Director Martin Miskell, and Self Advocates Lisa Irwin and Wally Gee with a copy of an official proclamation that designated March 2018 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month throughout Wyoming County. The proclamation was unanimously approved and delivered at the Tuesday, March 13 Wyoming County Board of Supervisors meeting.

A week earlier, on Tuesday, March 6, Livingston County Administrator Ian Coyle delivered a similar proclamation at the Peterson Work Center in Mount Morris.

"One of the best partnerships that we have in the whole county is with The Arc of Livingston-Wyoming, and one of the best success stories of The Arc is the building and the operation that we're in right here," he said.
PROFESSOR: JANET RECKTENWALD – AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMER

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That says a lot, considering that Janet has been on-the-job for 20 years.

Since landing employment in 1998 at Dogwood, which is a day services facility for adults with disabilities, Janet has blossomed professionally and socially through literally thousands of “good days.”

“Looking back, when I started I didn’t really do as much,” Janet says. “It was easier work at the start, like wiping down phones and dusting.”

Today, Janet is the go-to veteran on a cleaning team that vacuums, scrubs, and scour all of the facility’s offices, work and meeting space, and bathrooms.

“After 20 years, I know the building by heart,” she says.

“When new people come on board, she is always willing to work with them and help train them,” says Emily Austin, Janet’s long-time job coach. “I can put new people with her, and she will help them to build confidence.”

Janet enjoys the family-style camaraderie of the work team, which consists of Emily and five co-workers. Her affection for the group dynamic comes as no surprise, based on Janet’s own big-family upbringing.

The youngest of eight children, Janet grew up in Wayland, NY. At 44, she continues to live in her childhood home with one of her sisters, and her dad and mom, who are a village judge and retired nurse, respectively.

Janet’s other siblings live as far away as Florida and Georgia.

As her sisters and brother gain independence, so too has work enabled Janet to spread her wings.

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“Never give up,” she says. “Always keep on trying, because you can do it. And don’t ever put yourself down.”

HONORS FOR PROFESSOR AND STUDENT

SUNY Geneseo Professor Elizabeth Adams, who is a Lecturer in Spanish, was presented with the Charles Elam Volunteer of the Year Award at The Arc’s Annual Dinner, Friday, June 1 in Geneseo. The award recognized her contribution to the LIVES Program as a whole, and specifically the difference that she made in a particular student’s life.

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Leah was overcome with emotion and spoke to the group, thanking them for the opportunity to finally take a foreign language class. She was not given that opportunity in high school.

“I was so shocked and surprised at the same time,” Leah says. “I wanted to cry because I was so happy.”

“I’m looking forward to learning more from Professor Adams,” she adds. And she’ll have plenty of opportunity to do so; Leah plans to take Spanish 102 in the fall, and has been invited to do an internship in the Language Department as well.

Congratulations, Leah and Professor Adams!
“Christina is very excited about this opportunity, and makes sure that she always puts in 100 percent when she is there,” says Arc Habilitation Coordinator Erika Forbes. “The staff at Lattimore look forward to seeing Christina's smiling face every week.”

When she's not volunteering, Christina enjoys a wide range of other activities, including playing basketball, dancing, spending time outdoors, singing, and dancing.

Michael Didas of Wayland was presented with the Community Services Placement Award. Mike has been working at Goodwill in Geneseo since 2011 as a customer associate, and has become extremely flexible at work. He originally started in the men's and children's departments. Mike will now work in any department that his supervisor asks him to without issue.

Mike has gone from having staff with him his entire shift to just periodic checks. He never misses a day at Goodwill which just shows that he is determined to do well as an employee and for himself.

“Over the last year and a half that I have worked with him, I have noticed a tremendous improvement in his work skills along with his social skills,” says Arc Vocational Assistant Alicia Staie. “Mike has grown so much just in the short time that I have known him.”

Diane Craft of Hunt, earned the Ryan Helmer Bowling Scholarship Award, named in memory of a peer who shared her passion for the sport.

“The first thing that you notice about Diane is her incredible smile,” says Coordinator of Day and Community Services Cathy Sullivan. Cathy also describes Diane as shy, but says that participation in The Arc’s Recreation bowling league this past season has helped her to blossom.

Diane began bowling this year after an extended absence from the sport. Early-season jitters faded away the more that Diane played, until they were completely replaced by enthusiasm.

“By the last day, she was already calling me up about next season,” Cathy says. The Ryan Helmer Bowling Scholarship Award will enable Diane to continue to participate in the 2018-19 season, while honoring Ryan, who was also known for his world-class smile.

Andrew Sass, of Geneseo, received the Randy Lakin Sportsmanship Award.

“Andrew always shows up being happy, friendly, and willing to talk to anyone,” says Arc Recreation Assistant Gary Buchanan. “He is always willing to help anytime, be it someone from his team or on the opposite team, and whether it is giving verbal encouragement or physically helping someone. For Andrew, it is not about winning or losing, but doing his best and seeing that others do their best.”

Andrew’s achievements extend beyond sports. A 2014 graduate of the LIVES Program at SUNY Geneseo, Andrew lives independently in the heart of Geneseo, where he also works jobs cleaning and in his dream profession of child care.

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The Jonathon Templeton Award for Special Olympics went to Kim Deiter.

“In the 16 years that I have been involved with Special Olympics, Kim Deiter stands out as an exceptional Special Olympics athlete,” Gary says. “She participates in many different sports and does well in them. Kim gives 100 percent while competing. She is always rooting for and encouraging others to do their best. She is a true representative of what Special Olympics stands for.”

Off the field, Kim lives independently in a Geneseo apartment. She loves to sing, act and tell jokes.

“I have never heard anything negative from Kim,” Gary continues. “She has a great attitude and great mind set in everything that she does. She never seems mad or down if she doesn’t do well, she just tries to do better the next time. She is always positive, helpful and considerate of others.”

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The seventh annual Harvest Fest food tasting event promises to be our biggest and best! Save the date to celebrate Wyoming County "from field to table" Tuesday, September 18 at the American Legion Hall in Warsaw Village Park. To learn more, contact Suzanne Johnsen at sjohnsen@lwarc.org or (585) 658-2828 ext. 133.

It's not too early to begin training for the 2018 Ramon Rocha 5K Run/Walk! Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 20. This healthy event features a 3.1 mile walk or run, prizes, costume contest, food, and t-shirts. Get the latest updates at facebook.com/TheArcLivWyo.