

The Arc of Benton  
County  
Administration Office  
414 NW Fourth Street  
Corvallis, Oregon  
97330  
Phone: 541-753-1711  
Fax: 541-758-1354  
www.arcbenton.org

A not-for-profit  
organization  
advocating for  
and providing services,  
as needed,  
to enhance the lives of  
individuals  
with developmental  
disabilities and their  
families.

The Arc of Benton  
County Board of  
Directors for  
2009-2010

Officers

Mike Hoffman  
Verlene Melero  
Jack Mykrantz  
Peter Ball  
Beverly Hobbs

Board Members

John Kruger  
Jeff McCubbin  
Rosemary Ayres  
Barbara Sackett  
Jeff Larson  
Leslie Olson  
Harold Harris


The  
**Arc** *Advocate*

July 2009

**Silvery Celebrations**

A wave of assistance in the Administrative office is helping us catch up on things left un-done for awhile. Greg Bonacich volunteered full time with our office nearly 2 years ago now. Some of his work was off-site during the ADA construction work on the office. His willingness to work on anything given to him has led to some long and very, very fruitful projects. Greg has created large print calling lists, by neighborhood, for Allison Rosegold, our volunteer tele-solicitor of used goods for our thrift stores. Greg uses his laptop, creating useful databases, improving the accuracy of our website, and helping with mailings. Recently, college-bound Claire Froelich joined us. She has put our Springfield Bingo at the Bank on Facebook and twitter. Also, Claire has created over 150 greeting cards for The Arc's painters. These are selling at The First Alternative Coop and Grassroots in Corvallis. In Portland, Powell's Bookstore and Whole Foods agreed to sell our cards. Powell's has placed their second order and tripled the quantity. Kim Hayden joined us for an 8-week summer youth work experience in the office. She is masterful as our Receptionist and with "other duties as assigned" which covers many things! Kim is being paid through CSC, with stimulus dollars. Doing our part for the American Recovery, The Arc has offered 7 job descriptions for potential paid-by-the-feds, positions. . .

(continued on page 3)

 <h2 style="text-align: center;">The Arc Thrift Stores</h2> <p>Our special thanks to donors who can bring used goods to The Arc. This saves us money that can then be used to enhance the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities who live in Benton County. Your tax-deductable donations of furniture, household items, books, tools and clothing are greatly appreciated.</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">The Arc Resale Corner</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Off 9<sup>th</sup> Street at Beca 928 NW Beca Avenue Corvallis, OR 97330 Phone: 541-754-9011</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Call Gary at 908-2416 for furniture pick up</p>
	<h3 style="text-align: center;">The Arc Resale Center</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">At the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> and Main 936 W. Main Street Philomath, OR 97330 Phone: 541-929-3946</p>

Floor space, safety laws and lease restrictions prevent The Arc from accepting some items. Many children's items, hazardous waste items, tires, broken or stained furniture, unframed glass, and exercise equipment will be screened for appropriateness in the stores. Please understand our restrictions.

### Gratitude and Applause

The Arc Board of Directors and Staff pause for a moment of reflection on the contributions made by passionate and dedicated individuals of our county to the improvement of life styles available to individuals with developmental disabilities. We give thanks for these people, some now gone, but many still working to enhance opportunities and/or provide supports for community living. Our readers are all among this group to some degree. A few of you are extraordinary in your ability to envision and create a better world. The Arc applauds you.

*Thank you!*  
*Thank you!*

## Silvery Celebrations

(cont'd from page 1)

The stores and the social programs are looking for worksite improvement staff to deep clean, organize inventory and/or re-paint shelves or racks, and similar duties. We are also looking for expertise to post items on [ww.TheArcThriftStore.com](http://www.TheArcThriftStore.com). The City of Corvallis Housing Division has granted The Arc funding to rebuild the balconies and repaint the exteriors of our 4 homes at Dream Place. This project is funded, in part, with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the City of Corvallis Community Development Block Grant-R Program, which is part of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act. (Stimulus \$, again). The dark cloud we were placed under by the economy has offered us a silver lining. The Arc is going to come out the other side of this recession a bit different, but intact.

## The Arc on the Web

Visit our websites and stay up-to-date with The Arc

### Main Website

[www.arcbenton.org](http://www.arcbenton.org)

### Twitter

[www.twitter.com/bingoatthebank](http://www.twitter.com/bingoatthebank)

### The Arc Online Thrift Store

[Thearcthriftstore.com](http://Thearcthriftstore.com)

### Bingo at the Bank

[www.bingoatthebank.com](http://www.bingoatthebank.com)



# Monte's Bowl-a-Thon

## Highland Bowl in Corvallis

Sunday, October 4, 2009

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Attention Bowlers and non-bowlers, too!  
Go get yourself some sponsors and join The Arc for  
Monte's Bowl-a-Thon.

We are raising funds and having fun  
for The Arc's supported social programs  
for individuals with developmental disabilities  
Call the Arc 753-1711 for your Pledge Packet

Bowlers with a minimum of \$100 sponsorship  
pledges may bowl. You will be given one lottery  
ticket and 5 raffle tickets at sign-in.

Bowlers with \$250 in sponsorship pledges get  
1 lottery ticket and 10 raffle tickets at sign-in.

Bowlers with \$500 in sponsorship pledges get  
1 lottery ticket and 20 raffle tickets at sign in.

Bowlers with \$1,000 in sponsorship pledges  
get ... Can you see the pattern?

*Then what?*

- 1. Bowl 3 games for your sponsors.*
- 2. Collect your earnings.*
- 3. Deliver your pledged donations to  
The Arc.*

The Bowler who collect the most money  
in sponsorships wins a 2-night stay in The  
Hallmark Inn in Newport.

# The Arc

PRIZES Every 15  
minutes!

LOTTERY  
TICKETS

GIFT  
CERTIFICATES

RAFFLE  
TICKETS

SURPRISES!

The Bowler with the  
most pins downed in  
the 3 games of the  
Thon, wins a 2-night  
stay at Agate Beach.