



The Arc of Story County Annual Awards' Nomination Criteria

The Arc of Story County will present its 2015 awards at *Viva la Arc Casino Night, March 7th*. Nominations need to be received by **February 20th** and submitted to The Arc Awards' Committee Chair, either electronically or via US mail:

- susanteas@gmail.com or
- Susan Teas, 2003 Polk Drive, Ames, IA 50010

ADMINISTRATOR or PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of an individual who has demonstrated outstanding achievements and made significant contributions. Through his or her creation, supervision, and/or implementation of exemplary programs, persons with developmental disabilities have received quality and enriched supports in their living, learning, and working environments.

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR - to recognize an employer, co-worker, or supervisor who has made significant contributions to the successful employment of a person(s) with developmental disabilities. A nominee has demonstrated an exemplary philosophy of supporting employment opportunities through recruiting, training, accommodating, and/or advancing a person(s) with disabilities.

SELF-ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR - to recognize a person with developmental disabilities who has been a role model and mentor, a respected and active member of society, and an inspiration to others. Through his or her talents and abilities, extraordinary and meritorious success has been evident.

SUPER SIBLING OF THE YEAR - to recognize a brother or sister who has demonstrated a positive attitude that enhances the quality of life for a sibling with developmental disabilities. A Super Sibling serves as a role model and demonstrates ongoing commitment, care, and unconditional love.

TEACHER or EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of an individual who has substantially contributed to the education, growth, and development of person(s) with developmental disabilities. Through skill, integrity, knowledge, patience, and care, he or she has made a significant and lasting impact.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR - to recognize the service of a volunteer who has substantially contributed integrity and dedication in support of persons with developmental disabilities. His or her generous contributions of time and talents have enhanced, either directly or indirectly, the lives of persons with developmental disabilities.

REQUIRED AWARD NOMINATION INFORMATION

****Award Category** _____

Nominee's Name & Mailing Address: _____ _____
Phone Number(s) _____
E-mail Address _____

Nominator's Name & Mailing Address: _____
Phone Number(s) _____
E-mail Address _____

1. Submit a **3 to 5 paragraph summary** stating **why** this nominee should be considered.
2. Submit **helpful but optional** information such as:
 - Pictures
 - Newspaper articles
 - Personal success stories – honors and awards
 - Details of work history such as a resume
 - A summary of extracurricular activities
 - Helpful personal information related to family and friends

<u>2012 Award Winners:</u>	<u>2013 Award Winners:</u>	<u>2014 Award Winners:</u>
Stacy Starrett – Advocate	Joe Johanns – Advocate	Kim Lively - Advocate
Jenny Lyster – Educator	Andy Nichols – Professional	John Crall - Educator
JD Reich – Professional	Wayne Ostendorf, Ed Gillott - Volunteers	Allen and Mary Christy – Friend
Aaron Russom - Professional	Rory Echer – Friend of The Arc	Perfect Games - Business
Bob & Jan Samuelson – Friends	Ben Eyles – Super Sibling	Mary Beth Oostenbrug – Professional
Mary Jo Murken – Volunteer		College of Agricultural & Life Sciences - Volunteer
		Jeb Gent, Lauren Gent, Ada Gent, Sarah Toot – Super Siblings

If additional information or clarification is needed, contact either:

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Susan Teas, Board Past President, susanteas@gmail.com; 450-9226 (C)