

Events at The Arc

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Important Dates:

January 29 - Regional Basketball at the Knapp Center

February 7 - ISU Athlete Night at Perfect Games, 6-8 p.m.

February 10 - Valentine's Dance at the Moose Lodge, 6-8 p.m.

March 1 - Swimming starts! 4:30-5:30 p.m. at State Gym, ISU Campus

March 12 - Mid Winter Tournament, Iowa City

Disability Film Series

The Arc of Story County will be launching the *Watch & Learn* program. *Watch & Learn* is an educational outreach program created by The Arc of the United States, a national organization that advocates for and supports people with disabilities throughout their lifetime.

The program's mission is to help students become more familiar with people with disabilities via film. The *Watch & Learn* program consists of a collection of short documentaries highlighting the daily lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The program also supplies teachers and administrators with resources to help generate lively discussions to increase

Annual Arc March

The Sixth Annual Arc March will take place on Saturday, March 26 at the Miracle Field at Inis Grove Park.

The Arc March is the Annual Fundraiser for The Arc of Story County. This year, we will also be recognizing our Annual Award winners who have made a difference in the lives of individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities living in Story County.

More information to come in January. We hope you will join us in our fundraising efforts!

2022 Legislative Session - Make Your Voices Heard

The 2022 Legislative Session will begin in January. The Arc will watch closely what legislation will affect the individuals living in Story County with disabilities.

<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/>

Project SEARCH 2022

Project SEARCH - Information Night
Tuesday, February 8; 5:00 p.m.
Logomarcino Hall, ISU Campus

[Information Link](#)

awareness and understanding of people with disabilities and provoke students to think of ways that they can better support people with disabilities inside and outside of the classroom.

[Information Link](#)



Letter from the Director

We were all happy when 2020 was behind us and we may feel the same way about 2021. At The Arc, we were very happy that some limited activities were able to take place through Special Olympics. We are hoping for continued health and safety of the athletes and self-advocates we serve as we continue to offer more activities.

It is more important than ever to have our voices heard through your membership in The Arc of Story County. The annual membership form was sent out the first week in November. It is also posted on our website and is attached below. Your membership strengthens The Arc's voice in addressing national, state, and local issues that impact people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

It's hard to think about Spring when we haven't even experienced a winter storm yet. We are also planning for our Annual Arc March at Inis Grove Park in March. There will be more to come in January. We hope everyone will participate and raise funds as we March around the Park with the ISU Pep band, Cy, ISU athletics teams to bring awareness to individuals with disabilities living in Story County. When you support The Arc of Story County with a general donation or membership to support athletes, respite care, educational programming, or advocacy, you achieve with us.

Exciting things are happening at The Arc! We hope you will join us!

Tricia Crain, Executive Director

Annual Active Lifestyles Registration:

The Arc is in the process of registering participants for the Active LifeStyles program.

We will again be partnering with ISU Best Buddies.

We are scheduling gym space and indoor pool space for practices, exercise and fellowship.

We will continue to follow local guidance of COVID 19 rules. Our main focus is the health and safety of our members.

The registration fee for the Active LifeStyles program assists with partially covering the costs of:

- The Program Coordinator Position
- Community space rental fees
- Insurance
- Supplies

Here is the link to the [registration forms](#) and to the Special Olympics [physical forms](#).

Membership at The Arc of Story County is an essential part in making lasting change in our communities. Our members are crucial to our organization. Membership contributions fund all of our programmatic efforts, including self-advocacy, public policy, housing, employment, and future planning. Our member supported work helps co-create a bright future for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

[Membership Form](#)

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