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**Mission Statement**

The Arc of Denton County, a non profit volunteer organization, is committed to expanding opportunities for people with any developmental disability to exercise the same rights, freedoms, and responsibilities as their fellow citizens by providing family support, public awareness, advocacy service and referral.

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# ARCLETTER



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## The Arc of Denton County Annual Awards Banquet Recipients

We had a very successful event on April 21st.

Listed below are our award recipients for 2008

**Employee of the Year**

Marshall West

**Employer of the Year**

Boston Market-Lewisville

American Pet Spa-Argyle

Lowes-Flower Mound

Bettys Café-Aubrey

Morrison HealthCare Food Services-Denton

**Self Advocate of the Year**

Billy Malmer

**Community Volunteer of the Year**

Karan Thetford

**Community Support Individual of the Year**

Brenda Barrio

**Arc Volunteer of the Year**

North Texas Rehabilitation Association

**Foster Care Provider**

Joy Johnson

**Elementary Teaching Team**

Kim Farris-Shady Shores Elementary-Lake Dallas ISD  
Ashley DeVille-Shady Shores Elementary-Lake Dallas ISD

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## JUNE 2008

Membership forms on back page of newsletter

Join The Arc of Denton County and receive local, state, and national newsletters.

| Sun | Mon | Tue             | Wed               | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|-----|-----------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| 1   | 2   | 3 Board Meeting | 4                 | 5   | 6   | 7   |
| 8   | 9   | 10              | 11                | 12  | 13  | 14  |
| 15  | 16  | 17              | 18 Self Advocates | 19  | 20  | 21  |
| 22  | 23  | 24              | 25                | 26  | 27  | 28  |
| 29  | 30  |                 |                   |     |     |     |

Please call the Arc of Denton County at 972-436-8471 or 800-375-4520 or email us at [info@arcofdentoncounty.org](mailto:info@arcofdentoncounty.org) for any additional information on events listed above or check our website at [www.arcofdentoncounty.org](http://www.arcofdentoncounty.org).



### CLEANING OUT!!

Get involved with Arc! If you are cleaning out, please donate clothing and household items. Call 214-337-8900 to schedule a pick up of large items. If you have clothing to donate there are deposit boxes in Lewisville at this time. The locations we have at this time are:

Terrys Supermarket on Fox

Albertson's on W. Main

Lowes, close to service road

WalMart Center on Main St (behind Payless Shoes)

Fox Ave. and I-35 as you exit Fox

WalMart at 3040 and 121

We will update this list as we get updates. The Arc of Denton County gets a percentage from the donated items for our programs.

Note: New boxes coming to eastern Denton County soon!

### JOIN A COMMITTEE

Volunteers who would like to get involved in the programs that The Arc of Denton County presents should call the office, We have many different opportunities that you might enjoy. Here are some of our current needs:

Light Up the Night (our prom): decorating and getting donations for this.

Socials: Interacting with people, baking goodies, furnishing paper goods

Fundraising: we need a chairperson for this committee

Publicity: We need someone to get info out

**General Education Teacher**

Heidi Fowler-Ginnings Elementary-Denton ISD  
Dana Markham-Hodge Elementary-Denton ISD

**Special Education Teacher of the Year**

Margaret Patterson-Forest Vista Elementary-Lewisville ISD  
Amy Koch-Shady Shores Elementary-Lake Dallas ISD  
Deborah Hughes-Evers Park Elementary-Denton ISD  
Loretta Roberson-Strickland Middle School-Denton ISD  
Ben Moturi-Denton High School-Denton ISD

**Educator/Administrator of the Year**

Jennifer Mattingly-Principal-McAuliffe Elementary-Lewisville ISD  
Susan Standish-Special Education Supervisor-Lewisville ISD  
Sam Kelley-Principal-Hodge Elementary-Denton ISD  
Kelly Francis-Assistant Principal-Hodge Elementary-Denton ISD

**Support Person of the Year**

Vince Mullins-OT-Pediatric Therapy Center  
Janet Fowler-PT-Lewisville ISD  
Jim Domer-Special Olympics/APE-Lewisville ISD  
Luis Gachuzo-Facilitator-Denton ISD  
Sherri Ross-Music Therapist-Denton ISD

**Presidents Award**

Margaret “Meg” Taylor

**Elaine Robbins Ferry Scholarship**

Keri McCrossen

**Ruth Tompkins Scholarship**

Leah Wingo

The Arc of Denton County received many nominations this year and hope that you will continue sending them each year. The Annual Awards Banquet is a small way that we can show our appreciation for someone that goes that little extra step for people with disabilities in Denton County.

The people listed above are our stars of the year!

Look on our website at [www.arcofdentoncounty.org](http://www.arcofdentoncounty.org)  
For pictures of our award recipients.



**Donate to the Arc of Denton County while surfing the net**

**HELP THE ARC EARN MONEY**



Raise money for The Arc of Denton County

By searching the Internet online with GoodSearch!

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

Thanks to everyone that attended our ElChico Fundraiser and Raffle. There was a little confusion about the night because of an error made in the flyer. We hope this did not cause any

We thank each and everyone that bought raffle tickets, sold tickets, furnished prizes and made donations to this event. The winners of our raffle prizes were:

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|----------------------|------------------|
| \$200 Gift Card      | M. West          |
| Power washer         | L, Ferry         |
| Mary Kay Basket      | D. Horton        |
| Bath and Body Basket | Loretta Roberson |
| Texas Ranger Basket  | Junior Simpson   |
| Cookie Cooling racks | M.Rainey         |
| Big Lots Gift Card   | Mary Gotcher     |
| Reed diffuser        | S. Jamieson      |
| Candle Holders       | S. Willis        |
| Flower photo         | B. Marsh         |
| Yankee candle        | Eva Vieyra       |
| Flower Photo         | B. Malmer        |
| Angel                | C. Hinkle        |
| Cookie Press         | H. Gonzalo       |
| Make Up Kit          | J. Hope          |

**THANKS FROM THE SELF ADVOCATE LEADERS OF DENTONCOUNTY**



**DONATIONS**

- The Vaughns
- Kirsten Brown
- Encore Encore

**MEMBERSHIP**

- Margaret Hock
- Zana Scoma
- Michelle Lynch
- Cynthia Sadler
- Kevin & Julie Hanson
- Andrea Frain

**MAILING LIST FOR THE ARCLETTER**

If you no longer need your name on our mailing list please email us at [info@arcofdentoncounty.org](mailto:info@arcofdentoncounty.org) or call us at 972-436-8471 or 800-375-4520 and let us know.

If you receive the newsletter through school and would like to get a copy at home please let us know that also .



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Or email us at:  
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**The New Idea**  
Download or view a copy of the revised manual on the Arc of Texas website at  
[www.arcoftexas.org](http://www.arcoftexas.org)

This has information you need before attending an ARD at your school.

We will be glad to put you

Self Advocate meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month and are held at 3600 E. McKinney St. Suite A in Denton. The meeting hours are 7:00 –8:30 pm.

The meetings are open to anyone over the age of 18 with a developmental disability..

Please join us and develop leadership skills, learn more about your rights and responsibilities, and learn about voting and decision making. These are just examples of the meeting topics

Call The Arc of Denton County at 972-436-8471 or 800-375-4520 for more information about

**PROM, PARTY, BRIDESMAIDS DRESSES NEEDED!!**

**We have received many beautiful dresses but are still collecting them to make sure we can fit each and ever young lady attending this great event. We want to give a big THANK YOU!!**

The Arc of Denton County needs dresses for our upcoming semi formal event for adults with disabilities. This will be a semi formal dance and we are trying to locate dresses for everyone. Most of these adults have never experienced a prom or formal event and we want to make this an event they will cherish for a long time to come. If you have any dresses, and we can use items for the gentlemen, that you no longer need anymore, please contact The Arc of Denton County and let us make arrangements to get them from you. The response to this has been great but we still need more and we still need all sizes.

**We are in need of larger size dresses if you have any or know of anyone with some.**

**This special event will be held in September 2008**

**We can accept dresses until the 15th of June.**

**LIGHT UP THE NIGHT**

The formal dance “Light Up the Night” will be held on Saturday, September 13th. Letters requesting information on who wants to attend and if they need help with a dress have been sent to all the addresses we have. If you have not received a letter please call the Arc at 972-436-8471 or 800-375-4520 and let us know.

We will have to limit the number of people who attend, so you will have to have a reservation. **RESERVATIONS WILL BE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.** You will be sent a ticket and can not get in without one. There is no charge to you for this event.

Females will be given a dress if needed and we will try our best to get gentlemen their attire if they do not have dress pants, shirt and tie. We also need to know this information. When you get your information to us we will call you with the time for you to try on your dresses, etc. We will have our fittings at Paso a Paso on Saturdays in June. We have volunteers that will do alterations if needed.

This is a semi formal affair and we want everyone to look so beautiful.

Please help us out by getting the information to us as soon as possible.

Thank you, Bonnie Lewallen

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