

The Speaker

Seguin RCA is a nonprofit organization that has been working to open doors for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD) since 1949. Today we help open the doors through our art, summer camp, respite weekends, education, music and socialization programs.

September/October 2016

A Message from the President by Ralph Salvino III

In 2008 Seguin RCA initiated a Scholarship Program. Since its inception, eleven \$1,000 and ten \$2,000 scholarships have been awarded. I am pleased to announce that the Seguin RCA's Board of Directors has again approved awarding two \$2,000 scholarships to high school seniors who intend to major in studies serving persons with developmental disabilities in the college of their choice.

A \$2,000 scholarship will also be awarded to a direct-care professional who is pursuing a degree or certificate in the field of developmental disabilities. For further information and/or a copy of the scholarship application form, please call our office at 708-788-5777.

Last year was one of our most successful camping seasons. A big part of our success was our ability to award fifty-eight full camping scholarships. We awarded thirty-four American Camping Association Scholarships and twenty-four private donation scholarships. The private donations we receive throughout the year make our educational and camp scholarships, seasonal parties, art and music programs possible. On Sunday, November 13, we will hold our annual Seguin RCA Fashion Show and Luncheon. Your support of this allows us to continue to open the doors for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

The above artwork was created by Johnathan.

Family News

Thank you one and all!

Seguin RCA just completed the summer bowling season with a wonderful pizza party at Michael Anthony's Restaurant (6434 Ogden Avenue, Berwyn). Not only was the pizza and salad delicious but the hospitality and service we received were outstanding!

Again this year as a bowling prize we awarded each of the forty bowlers a ten dollar cash prize. (Sure beats a bowling trophy.)

We would like to thank Rolling Lanes (6301 Joliet Road, Countryside) for their hospitality and attention they gave our bowlers. This year was our first year bowling at Rolling Lanes and look forward to coming back in May 2017.



Halloween Party

Sunday, October 30 11:00 am - 2:00 pm At Crystal Sky 47th and Joliet Road McCook, IL



Night at the Races

Saturday, October 8
Doors Open - 4:30 pm
Buffet - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Sportsman's Park
3501 Laramie Ave. - Stickney
\$40.00 per ticket

This is a great way to spend an evening with friends and have a fine meal in the Gold Cup Room plus enjoy live thoroughbred racing. All proceeds will benefit Camp Seguin RCA. Call the office for details and reservations.

Camp Seguin RCA Respite Weekend

Winnebago, IL

Friday afternoon, November 4, to Sunday afternoon, November 6

Call office for details and reservations.



Díd You Know? By Make Holstein, Executive Director

The weekend of November 4-6 is a planned "Respite Weekend" at Camp Seguin in Winnebago, Illinois. Webster's defines respite as a short period of rest or relief from something difficult. In doing a web search I also found respite care described as planned or emergency care provided to a child or adult with special needs in order to provide temporary relief to families or staff members who are caring for them. In thinking about our planned camp weekends, although I do believe they can provide respite for those who care for our campers away from camp, I would simply describe them as a condensed version of what our campers experience when they spend one or more weeks at camp in the summer - perhaps a bit chillier when we sing around the campfire - but mostly just having fun with friends old and new.

Our planned fall weekend at camp will include: enjoying take-out pizza and singing around the campfire and roasting marshmallows for s'mores on Friday night; art and music at the Farm Inn; outdoor games; equine therapy at Hope Reigns Ranch; going out to a movie; and enjoying another campfire on Saturday; more art and music fun, brunch, and a closing talent show before heading back to Berwyn on Sunday. Throughout the weekend we'll enjoy much of the great food we experienced this past summer at camp, and several of our staff who worked at camp this past summer will also be joining us for the weekend.

While we currently have planned respite weekends scheduled for the fall and spring, we hope in the future to be able to expand upon our programming available to campers throughout the year at camp. For now we're just looking forward to our camp community coming together once again for a fun weekend at camp. Please be on the lookout for information coming your way regarding the respite weekend, and I hope that you and your family have a great year ahead!

Mark Holstein
Executive Director

SEGUIN RCA Presents

WONDERLAND OF FASHION



Sunday, November 13, 2016

Doors open 11 a.m. Lunch 12 Noon Event ends 4 p.m.

Donation \$35.00

Crystal Sky Banquets 7941 West 47th McCook, Illinois

Fashions by....
MaryAnn's Shoppe

Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon

Fashion accessories and outfits will be on display for purchase.

Plus a variety of raffles for those in attendance.

Questions ?? Call us at (708) 788-5777

Seating is 10 people per table. To make reservations, please complete the form below and drop off or mail to **Seguin RCA** 6223 W. Ogden, Berwyn, IL 60402 along with your check made payable to: **SEGUIN RCA.** Deadline is **November 4, 2016.**

NAME		
	_Adults @ \$35.00	_Child(ren) @ \$15.00 Total
I/we would like to be seated with		
Sorry, I cannot attend, but I would like to donate to help defray your cost		



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2016 Fall Calendar

Tuesday, October 4

6:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Music Class (FREE)

Saturday, October 8

4:30 pm - Night at the Races Sportsman's Park - Stickney

Monday, October 10

7:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 11

6:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Art Class (FREE)

Tuesday, October 18

6:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Music Class (FREE)

Tuesday, October 25

6:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Art Class (FREE)

Sunday, October 30

11:00 am-2:00 pm — Crystal Sky Seguin RCA Halloween Party

November 1 thru December 31

Fruit Cakes Go On Sale

Fri., Nov. 4, thru Sun., Nov. 6 Respite Weekend - Winnebago, IL

Tuesday, November 8

6:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Art Class (FREE)

Sunday, November 13

11:00 am (doors open) - Fashion Show Crystal Sky Banquets - McCook, IL

Monday, November 14

7:00 pm - Berwyn Seguin RCA Board Meeting