

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ARC-RUTLAND AREA/ ELK'S CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

You are invited to ARC's Christmas Dinner Dance, held at and co-sponsored by the Elk's Club on Pleasant Street in Rutland. Come celebrate the season on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013 from 12:00 to 4:00 PM.

Good food, family, and friends, music, dancing, and gifts, will be rounding out our afternoon. **You must call 775-1370 to reserve a space in order for you to get in. Only one guest per person is allowed.** (exception upon availability). Only Members with a Developmental Disability will get a gift, you must have your name called into the office in order to receive a gift, only names on the RSVP list will receive a gift. Please call as soon as possible if you wish to attend. This is a MUST! No reservations can be taken after Monday, Dec 2nd, as it takes time to

prepare the gifts. You must be there to receive the gift. NO EXCEPTIONS! Special needs should be called in by Nov. 28th.

There will be transportation provided, let us know if you need a ride before Dec 5th.

Non-members will be asked for a \$2 donation.

ARC staff and board members reserve the right to ask anyone exhibiting inappropriate behavior to leave the dance.



2013 Annual Membership Minutes Summary

2013 Goals/Concerns: A goals exercise was done by President, Ric Reardon to see how the goals were impacting clients' lives. Our goals will continue to be the same for 2014. Topics shared for new goals: More marketing material for members to share with community, who we are, what we do; more money from Feds and legislators; more TV exposure like Peg TV; People are still mean; more programs to define us as valuable citizens; Transportation at Night; More trips, activities and opportunities; less running at the dances. Vote of Officers: Richard Reardon for President, Al Goodermote for Vice President, Sandra Murray for Treasurer, and Sherry Boudreau for Secretary. Slate of Officer approved by all members. Budget for 2014: Budget shows a \$2,920 deficit. Membership passed the Budget. We will need help from all members and will start a Fundraising / Resources committee. Guest Speaker: Jenny Savage, a former Brandon Training School employee and ARC Board Member, shared her story with us. It began when she was a little girl whom was told stories about the school. Later she worked there as a teenager, and stayed nearly until it closed, at some point she provided respite and then became a home provider for many years. At the end of her story, the complex had been remodeled and her Dad lived there for some time. For the 6th year we did the Maggie Pak Membership Achievement Awards: The Membership Achievement award went to Terry Stevens. Personal went to David Bride. Community went to Herman Goldberg.

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