



News for the friends of GRACE CENTER FOR ADULT DAY SERVICES



Upcoming Events in 2024

BINGO,
BURGERS,
AND BREWS:
MARCH 13TH,
SAVE THE
DATE!

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Come and enjoy an evening of Bingo, Burgers, and Brews, what's not to love?! The eternally wonderful Elks Club of Corvallis will be hosting our annual event with lots of laughs and full bellies. We will have our event the night of **March 13th**, but don't hesitate to head into the Elks Club any Wednesday throughout the month of March and have a portion of your purchase go directly to us at Grace Center. We win, you win, we all win together! Hope to see you there!

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The Annual Aging Summit is primarily focused on education, outreach, and benefiting the community. The event offers attendees a chance to participate with others in similar situations, gain knowledge about the aging process, and includes guest speakers who will impart insights on the topic of aging. This year the summit will take place on **May 4th**, and our theme will be "Living and Aging Well". We are excited to share our list of guest speakers for the event soon, keep your eyes and ears peeled so you don't miss out!

CAREGIVER
EDUCATIONAL
EVENT: ANNUAL
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Here to Stay Capital Campaign

➤➤➤ The Here to Stay capital campaign is made up of three phases:

Phase I – “Acquisition” (purchase of the building) – fully funded and complete!

Phase II – “Accessibility” (improving the accessibility of the building) – fully funded and complete!

Phase III – “Expansion” (transforming unused space in current building into usable program space) – has begun and currently fundraising

➤➤➤ PHASE I & II COMPLETED!

As many of you are aware, Grace Center initiated a one-million-dollar capital campaign back in 2015 with the goal of acquiring the 11,000-square-foot property we had been leasing since 2006.

Now, as we look at today, we have achieved a significant milestone by successfully completing the down payment, securing the building through bridge financing, completely retiring the debt, and improving the accessibility of the building, thus completing Phases I and II! This remarkable accomplishment has been made possible through the effectiveness of grant writing and the incredible generosity of many individuals within our community.

Owning our building gives us the luxury to remodel and update certain areas, allow implementation of new programs, and accommodate growth in the number of participants and staff without the concern of having to frequently renegotiate lease terms or possibly relocate at another time. This is a critical time in the history of Grace Center as an aging population will dictate an ever-increasing demand for our services.

Now that we have reached Phase III, we are excited to be transforming unused space into more specifically designed program areas. Our first endeavor is to create a life-skills area with a kitchen and cooking skills demonstration setup. We hope to create this space using workbenches that can be easily stowed away so that other skills like laundry and wood-working can continue to be learned in the same area.

We have applied for funding through community grants to take care of this, but we always appreciate your support, and we kindly ask for your donation to help us reach our goals for Phase III of the Here to Stay Capital Campaign. The support we receive from community members like you is vital in enabling our non-profit organization to maintain the high-quality care that our families, friends, neighbors, and community members require and deserve.

Donate by visiting our website or by mailing a check to Grace Center with Capital Campaign in the memo. www.gracecenter-corvallis.org



New Grace Center Staff!

OLIVIA MCFADDEN, PROGRAM ASSISTANT



Olivia McFadden has just returned to us, now as a Program Assistant. Olivia spent a stretch in our Intern Program and couldn't stay away! She is in the College of Human Development and Family Sciences at Oregon State University, and while here as an intern, she shadowed every position in the Center, and excelled thoroughly. We were so excited to hear that she was interested in becoming a Program Assistant, and hired her on the spot. We are thoroughly pleased to have her permanently in our ranks!

BRIANA HENDRICKS, OFFICE COORDINATOR

Briana Hendricks has taken over the position of Office Coordinator, coming back to the fold after a brief hiatus in the banking world. We are so glad to have her back! Briana started with Grace Center for Adult Day Services back in 2014, as an Intern. She excelled immediately, joining the administrative team in 2015, and we were sad to see her go in 2023 when she took an excellent opportunity with US Bank on the OSU campus. Luckily, she missed us too much! When the position opened up, we were thrilled to be able to offer her a new opportunity with the Center to come back and help on a permanent basis, and she said yes! Keep an eye out for her friendly smile and genuine kindness, it is hard to miss.

MOYA DUNCAN, COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Moya Duncan took over the position of Community Outreach & Engagement Coordinator at the beginning of the year. She was born and raised in Corvallis, and though she has spent time living elsewhere throughout the years, she has always come back to her roots. Having spent time going to yearly events such as the Strawberry Jubilee while growing up in the community, as well as bringing her Grandma to the Center later on in life, Moya is very familiar with the positive impact that our organization has in Corvallis and the surrounding area. She is eager to further that amazing connection with the community and can't wait to do so in her new capacity at the Center.



BINGO BURGERS - & Brews -



SAVE THE DATE FOR
MARCH 13TH
FROM 5:30 TO 8PM

PLACE: CORVALLIS ELKS LODGE
1400 NW 9TH ST
OPEN TO NON-ELKS MEMBERS

For more information, call
541-754-8417 OR visit our
website

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one free Bingo card*

Grace Center's 40 for 40 Campaign: Celebrating Decades of Dedication

Our 40 for 40 campaign was a huge success! For 40 years (now over 40!) Grace Center has provided life-changing programs for people with disabilities, providing day services that optimize the cognitive and physical abilities of seniors and adults with disabilities so they can remain as independent as possible and in their homes. We believe everyone should have the tools necessary to pursue a life of quality in the community. Our "40 for 40: Celebrating Decades of Dedication" campaign sought to raise \$40,000 in funds, and boy did our wonderful community show up! We had such a great response from all of you and ended up raising over \$42,000. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed, we are so very appreciative!



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