

INDEPENDENCE TIMES

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Meet Our New Staff

IMAGE DESCRIPTION: from top to bottom are Kathy Paduano, Parker Glick, Laura Whiting, and William Davis.



RCIL's Peer Advocate, Lead Transition Coach, Employment Specialist, and Lead No Wrong Door Advocate have brought forward new energy and passion toward serving our consumers. Each of them would like to share a few words with our readers about how the Regional Center for Independent Living can assist members of the disability community:

Kathy Paduano – Peer Advocate

My job is to provide answers and solutions for people who call or visit the center. I can help with all kinds of questions including housing, benefits, and services. I enjoy searching for the answer that will give them the best help.



Parker Glick – Lead Transition Coach

I work with people on developing and/or strengthening independent living skills. Those skills can be anything the consumer wants to work on — from learning about the public transit accessibility to finding a home in the community. There is no limit to defining and pursuing an independent goal.



Laura Whiting – Employment Specialist

People come to me for employment services. I listen carefully to each person's goals for employment. I enjoy finding competitive, integrated employment opportunities that will help them follow their dreams.



William Davis – Lead No Wrong Door/Health Care Advocate

People may not be aware or informed of the many services we can provide. My job in the No Wrong Door Program is to identify the long-term services and supports that will best meet their needs. The most important thing I do is make sure that people I help have a warm transfer to the right agency and do not encounter a *wrong door*.

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Dear Friends,

Independence Times provides our readers valuable information about RCIL programs and ongoing advocacy efforts - ensuring people with disabilities can be independent and integrated in the community.

Our featured story highlights our newest staff members. Be sure to read about our exciting upcoming events. Please contact us to learn how you can get involved at RCIL.

Bruce E. Darling

IMAGE DESCRIPTION: headshot of Bruce E. Darling.

Check out RCIL's new Peer Support Group

We're pleased to share and invite you to join in the beginning of our new peer group.

PEER SUPPORT

Create Support Networks | Share Experiences

Interested? Contact Us!

For more information: Parker,
pglick@rcil.org, (585)442-6470

And Learn

Where:

RCIL Rochester Office,
Room 112
497 State Street
Rochester, NY 14608

*RCIL is a Scent Free Environment. We ask that all individuals, including guests and consumers, refrain from wearing scented products at our offices, program locations, and events we host in the community.

IMAGE DESCRIPTION: advertisement for Peer Support: For more information: Parker, pglick@rcil.org, (585)442-6470. RCIL Rochester Office, Room 112, 497 State Street. RCIL is a Scent Free Environment.

Accessible Trunk-or-Treat is October 20th

Registration is required by October 14th!

Accessible Trunk-or-Treat

October 20, 2022
5 - 7PM
Low-sensory experience 4 - 5 pm

FUN, SAFE, & FULLY-ACCESSIBLE HALLOWEEN!
FRONTIER FIELD,
ONE MORRIE SILVER WAY,
ROCHESTER, NY
THIS EVENT IS SCENT-FREE!

Free for all children 10 and younger. Free for all children with disabilities 14 and younger. Adult supervision is required.

Registration required by October 14:
www.cdrnys.org/halloween

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*This year, give a gift
that lives on year-round.*

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☐ YES! I want to support the independence of
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Ltaylor@cdrnys.org

Upcoming Board Meeting

October 20, 2022
1:00pm
497 State Street
Rochester, NY 14608

**All board meetings will
be conducted on Zoom,
until further notice.**

**We would like to thank
Wegmans for its Gold
Sponsorship in support
of CDR and RCIL for 2022.**

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Are you interested in getting involved with us?

You can help by:

- Donating
- Volunteering at Events

You can join our:

- Advocacy Efforts
- Committees

Don't forget to like, follow, and share us on social media!

Ask us how you can get involved!

**We are not-for profit organizations working to keep
people with disabilities living independently in the community,
with help from services and supports they may need.**



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