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## NW Waco Optimist Club Proves “All You Need is Love”

The Northwest Waco Optimist Club hosted its annual “All You Need is Love” Valentine’s dinner and dance fundraiser on Saturday February 8, 2025, at the Karem Shrine.

The Northwest Waco Optimist Club is a community service organization dedicated to fostering optimism and supporting youth in Waco. Chartered on May 28, 1958, the club is part of Optimist International and their mission is to develop optimism as a philosophy of life, guided by the tenets of the Optimist Creed. Each year, members engage in various

community services projects and events that benefit local youth. This year’s event, featuring dinner, live music and an auction to support children's programs, allowed the club to donate over \$16,000 to The Arc of McLennan County.

When receiving the donation, The Arc said,

*“Thank you for turning a night of fun into lasting impact. We are incredibly grateful for this partnership. You didn’t just host a event, you gave The Arc the means to make sure that children and families facing seemingly impossible situations have hope, support and safety. You took the theme and turned it into something lasting, something that continues even though the lights have dimmed and the music has faded. Thank you for reminding us all that when you lead with heart, love really is all you need.”* 





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The Arc of McLennan County presents  
Third Thursday Parent Education Training  
**Estate Planning Part 2:  
Special Needs Trust  
and  
the Alternatives**  
Expert advice on  
options for estate  
planning for your IDD  
child.  
With Carlie  
Gause  
May 15, 2025  
6:00 PM  
BITTY & BEAU'S  
COFFEE WACO  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
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Kiwanis Club of Waco's  
Annual

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 11, 2025 | 8:00 AM

Presented  
By



Benefiting



Wednesday, June 11, 2025  
7:00 AM Registration  
8:00 AM Tee Time



Cottonwood Creek Golf Course  
5201 Bagby Avenue  
Waco, TX 76711

To sponsor  
or to register a team,  
please call The Arc  
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## BOOS on the BRAZOS

Saturday  
October 11, 2025  
Lee Lockwood Library  
Waco, Texas  
7:00-11:00 pm

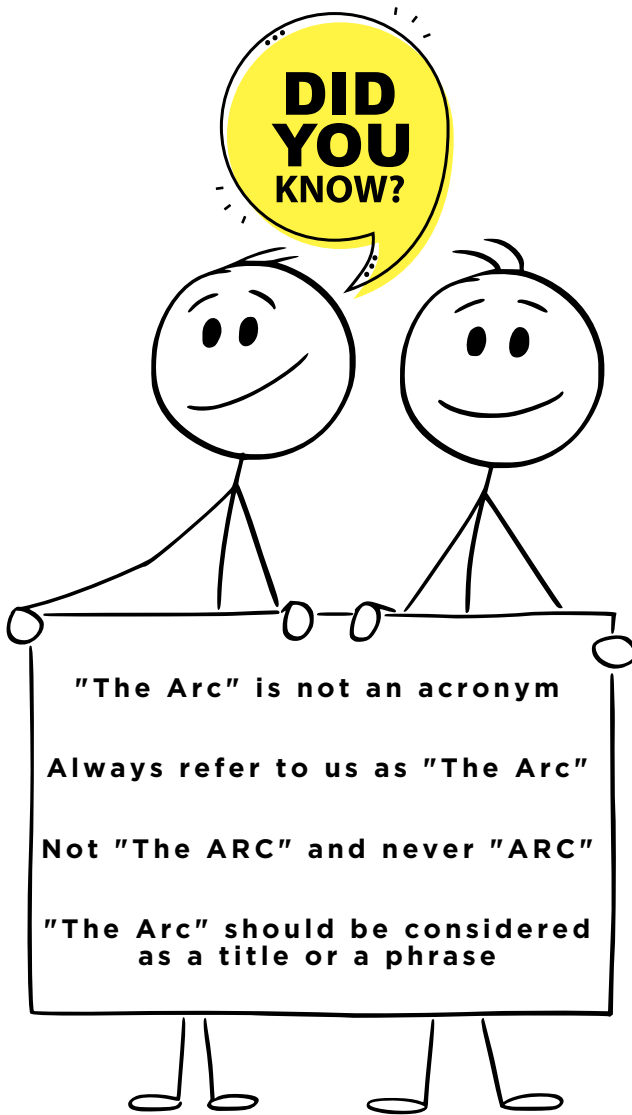
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# Summer CAMP

**June 2-July 25**  
**Destination: TEXAS**





# **Please help us welcome our 2025 Board of Directors**

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