

Happy New Year from LARC

LARC ended the year with a FANTASTIC Christmas program at Acadian Village. We had huge crowds coming to see our new lighting displays. Clause the Elf did a wonderful job of having Santa listen to all the good girls' and boys' Christmas lists. Many Thanks to our Sponsors and Volunteers.

With the coming of the New Year, LARC had a change of leadership in the Executive Director's office. Mr. Glenn Weber, decided it was time to retire, but not before training the incoming Executive Director, Ricky Bonin. Mr. Bonin has been on the LARC Board of Directors for over 20 years and knows the importance of LARC. We look forward to a successful new year under his leadership and want to thank Mr. Weber for his dedication to the LARC mission.

MARDI GRAS Beads-N-More

All the hard work the employees completed in LARC's Mardi Gras Beads-N-More Store is beginning to pay off. Beads, trinkets and anything Mardi Gras can be purchased at LARC's Beads-N-More Store. Prices, sizes and hours can be located on LARC's website: www.lafayettelarc.org. Call ahead services are available; call 337-981-8484 and place and pay for your order. Your order will be pulled from inventory and be waiting for you to pick up. LARC's Beads-N-More store is an enterprise that employs individuals with Intellectual and Developmental disabilities. It provides individuals with employment, work skills and being part of a team in our community.



Like "LARC's and Acadian Village's" Facebook page.

Quindreka Anthony is our spotlight employee. She has been participating in LARC's services for several years. Quindreka enjoys singing, reading and writing. She says she loves to write about what activities she participated in. Quindreka favorite singer is Mariah Carey and her favorite colors are pink, purple and yellow.



Want to be a part of LARC's Operation Bead Drive?? Contact Carthy Guillet at 704-2082 to organize a bead drive at your Business, school, scout troop, etc.

What a successful Noel Acadian au Village (NAAV) had in 2018. A huge thanks goes out to all the sponsors, volunteers, performers and everyone who participated in making 2018 a success. Thomas Gott, Director of Acadian Village wanted to thank everyone who attended and participated in this years fund-raiser. "The success of NAAV directly impacts LARC's ability to serve individuals with Intellectual and Developmental disabilities.

A Huge THANKS to the VFW members and the Parent's Club for a great Christmas party. Every one enjoyed the party with the great food, music, dancing and Santa Claus.

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| Chair exercise video's | Construction Paper |
| Art's & Crafts | Educational Games |
| Board Games | Exercise Video's |
| Disposable gloves | Playing cards |
| Picture Frames | Movies DVD |
| Card Stock | Hobby Paint |
| Paint Brushes | Art Canvases |
| Popsicle Sticks | Glue |
| Yarn | Colored Pencils |
| Scissors | Bulletin Boards |
| Adult Coloring Books | Fabric |
| Ribbon | Paper plates |
| Gift Cards | Folding chairs |
| Canopy | Disposable wipes |
| Stock card | |

LARC's Beads-N-More

Regular Store Hours
Monday-Friday 9am-3pm

Beginning Feb 11- March 1
Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

Open Saturday Feb 9, Feb 16,
Feb 23 and March 2
9am-2pm

337-981-8484 WWW.lafayetteblarc.org

Do You Know...BEADS-N-MORE STORE?

Did you know that one of LARC's enterprises is the Mardi Gras Beads-N-More Store? The Bead Store employees 16 individuals who process donated beads year round. The processed beads are sorted and bagged for resale.

April Wiltz and Jackie Wilkens are the crew supervisors. They oversee this enterprise and assist the employees with preparing the beads for resale. It is a year long process to get beads, trinkets and all the Mardi Gras items ready to sell. The Beads-N-More enterprise is a major factor in employing individuals with Intellectual and Developmental disabilities.

Each year we process beads with a goal of selling out of all of our inventory. This inventory contributes to allowing employee's to be paid and work in gaining employment skills.

The Beads-N-More Store is open year round. Donation of beads are accepted at the Store or any Goodwill in the Acadiana area. You can contact the store at 337-981-8484.

