

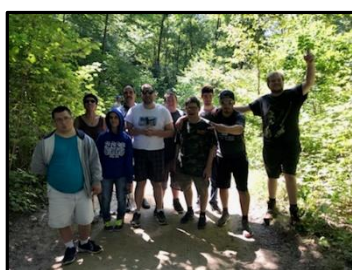
# This Week at ASCARC

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## Early September News at ASCARC

- In our **Patty Dolan Senior Center**, we enjoy having a different book read by a different person. Today was **Lynn's** turn to read to the group. Sometimes, a senior reader will go to the Dykstra Center to read to the group there. Reading books is an important skill to share with others, and our adults love to read to any audience. Great job Lynn!



- Our SCARC Explorers traveled to **Tree Scape at Mountain Creek in Vernon**. The participants in the Explorers program climbed, balanced, and zip lined through the course, over 20 feet above the ground. This activity was sponsored by the **NJ Arc Self Advocacy Project** at no cost to SCARC. **Ashley Ritchey, Director of the Self Advocacy Project**, and her staff have been

funding and facilitating various outings throughout the course of the summer and we are very grateful for their time and efforts. We have attended a gourmet cooking class, a day at the water park, peach picking, and various hikes thanks to Ashley and her team.



- We proudly recognize our **Direct Support Professionals** who diligently work in our group home and day programs. **National DSP Recognition Week** is happening September 8 – 14. SCARC employs 225 DSPs in our residential and day programs, as well as several substitute per diem staff who support our services. We are deeply appreciative of our staff who foster an environment of quality of life for the people we serve. **Thank you all for working with us!**



- Our **Sparta Center** employee **Nichole Douma** and her husband **Scott** provided a demonstration on motorcycles for all the Sparta Center participants. They talked about safety awareness, the gear needed and the adventures they've experienced. Each participant had the opportunity to touch, see, hear and smell the motorcycle. In this picture is **Scott Douma** and the very excited Sparta Center participant, **Karen Frascella**.

- We are pleased to announce that the **Sandra Joseph All-Stars** will be bringing Broadway tunes back to Sussex County on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the SCCC Performing Arts Center! This event supports our SCARC Foundation.

For Ticket information go to: <https://scarcfoundation2019sandrajoseph.bpt.me/>