

This Week at

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End of February News at

- At our SCARC **Friday Night Valentine Movie and Activity**, we had about 30 participants viewing the movie of **Lady and the Tramp**. Also everyone created a puzzle piece heart to hang as a decoration in their homes. In the photo, **Alyssa** shows off her Valentine creation which she made for her home.



- **SCARC's Harvest Home Foods participants in our Hamburg location** enjoy their first day back in the newly renovated program location since the pandemic decreased. We are so happy to be back in our centers and in the community. Everyone was full of smiles this week. The photo at right is our **Explorers group who**

took a hike around the White Lake park in Sparta in the morning of their first day back. Welcome back everyone!



- The **ladies at our Val Court group home** display the dog toys they made during our weekly **Day Hab Goes Digital** program. During the **Critter Care** segment of the program, with Farm Chicks Diana, she discussed Dogs. Diana educated us on the importance and responsibility of owning a dog. She showed us how to care for a dog's coat and teeth, and how to properly nurture and feed them. We also were able to see Diana give certain commands to her dog and how smart dogs are. After the educational part of the presentation the participants made handmade dog toys from new and recycled items. The dog toys will be given to family and friends, and also donated to local animal shelters.



- Tom Baffuto, our Arc of NJ CEO, has received an advocacy award and honor from former Senator Steve Sweeney for Tom's advocacy and hard work on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities in New Jersey and for those served by chapters of the Arc of NJ. Tom is always advocating for the needs of our constituency, and he is constantly meeting with state elected officials to provide the best services to our counties. Thank you Tom for your constant efforts on behalf of families and persons with disabilities throughout the state. Congratulations Tom!

- Take a look at our website to view our newly composed **2021 Annual Report** designed by our copywriter **Andrea Lovas**. We are proud of our presentation of Annual Reports for the past few years. This year's report is very attractive and timely. Let us know what you think!