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Employment Anniversaries Recognized at Liberty ARC

Amsterdam – Liberty ARC recently honored 102 employees that have each achieved employment milestone anniversaries within the agency. Honorees were recognized at an award dinner at the Raindancer Restaurant in Amsterdam. Awards were given to those who achieved five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40-years of service – with the group totaling an impressive 1,335 cumulative years of employment with Liberty ARC.

“At Liberty ARC, we are proud of our milestone employees and grateful for their years of service to the agency,” said Liberty ARC CEO Jennifer Saunders. “Their dedication is reflected in the amount of years they each have been working and contributing to the agency’s mission, ‘Together we support people with disabilities to achieve a quality of life each person values.’ This special dinner is one of my favorite nights of the year as we celebrate the heart and soul of Liberty ARC, our staff. Congratulations to our milestone employees!”

Deborah Barker, an Accounting Clerk I, was recognized for her 40 years with the agency. Deborah has always taken pride in her work and is always willing to learn something new. She is currently collaborating with the Sales and Manufacturing Department to track billing and receiving, as well as accounting for the agency’s receivables.

Nanette Conyne, Donna Hall, Vivian Fitz-James, Roxanne Vecchio, Donna Mochrie, and Tina Yerdon all received 35-year recognitions. Nanette, Payroll Supervisor, and Donna Mochrie, an Accounting Clerk II, have both worked within the agency’s Business Office since the beginning of their careers.

Donna Hall and Tina, Direct Support Professionals (DSPs), as well as Roxanne, an Assistant Manager, work in the agency’s residential department.

Vivian, a Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant has spent the past 13 years in Liberty ARC’s Occupational Therapy Department and also previously held positions in other agency departments, including Residential, Day, and Clinical.

Other acknowledgments of the evening:

Thirty years of recognition were given to Assistant Director of Operations Jennifer Ferluge, DSP Awake Night Tyler Kanches, Assistant Manager Suzanne Schulz, Assistant Habilitation Specialist I Sharon Oleksak, and Senior Staff Accountant Lisa Zanella.

Twenty-five years of recognition were given to Assistant Manager Charlotte Baird, Lead Supervisor Production Sandra Bell, Director of Operations John Glode, Residential Manager Nancy Guyette, DSP Awake Night Bonnie King, Senior Habilitation Coordinator Sandra Mallett, Dental Hygienist Jennifer Osborne, Assistant Manager Live-In Sabrina Spratt, and Cheryl Wagner, a DSP.

Twenty years of recognition were given to Corporate Compliance Audit Coordinator Karen Blake, DSP Donna Doran, Residential Manager Ryann Jump, Assistant Manager Tina Sturm, and DSP Awake Night Carrie Winney.

Fifteen years of recognition were given to Assistant Manager Leanne DaBiere, Senior Staff Accountant Gladys Harvey, RN April Marcellino, Residential Manager Samantha Morris, Assistant Manager Jennifer Myers, DSP Awake Night Kelly Nasadoski, Maintenance Manager Joseph Ouderkirk, Senior Habilitation Coordinator Jacqueline Rulison, and Assistant Habilitation Specialist 1 Ashley Wilson.

Ten years of recognition were given to DSP Jonathan Arce, Assistant Amber Best, Assistant Manager Rebekah Califano, DSP Awake Night Jamie Charboneau, RN Jolene Gray, Assistant Habilitation Specialist 1 Shauna Hughes-Hall, Residential Manager Samantha Johnson, DSP Kimberly Jones, Assistant Manager Scott Klug, Lead Supervisor Production Sarah Kruger, Residential Manager Mentor Melissa Lais, DSP Eleisha Mahoney, Assistant Manager Jessica Marotta, DSP Awake Night Crystal Marshall, Family Support Services Manager Jamie Morey, LPN David Nicholas, Director of IT Timothy O'Brien, RN Susan Quinn, DSP Awake Night Amanda Rivera, Residential Manager Paula Shirvanion, Residential Manager Melissa Somerville, DSP Michael Whelly, Incident Review Coordinator Stephanie Wilson, and Residential Manager Susan Wojturski-Hazard.

Five years of recognition were given to Iluminada Aponte, Anthony Battisti, Violet Bauman, Darius Berry, Trisha Brathwaite, Bridget Brownell, Keisha Carter, DaKenya Collazo, NiTasha Colson, Megan Conlin, Kimberly Cook, Taylor Crawford, Jamie Field, Dawn Fridenberger, John Galligan, Lyn Geisler, Kaylene Gifford, Kerri Jones, Dawn Jobin, Barbara Kennedy, Anna Kilmartin, Kate Lasher, Laura Manzer, Cynthia Moore, Selena Padilla, Kierra Reid, Samantha Renodin, Eric Robertshaw, Carlos Rodriguez, Jose Rojas-Castillo, Serina Ryder, Shannon Schuyler, RuthAnn Shanahan, Shyann Shirvanion, Allison Smullen, Michelle Terwilliger, Laura Tripp, Brandy VanNostrand, Devora Weiss, Theresa Wellington, Stanley Witcher, Mary Zydes

About Liberty ARC

Liberty ARC, the Montgomery County Chapter of The Arc New York, is a not-for-profit agency that

provides top-quality supports and services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We are proud of our six decades of bringing these innovative and valuable programs to those most vulnerable in our community. While staying committed to our framework the agency has grown our employment, residential, day supports, family support and health-related programming throughout the years. Our mission- *Together we support people with disabilities to achieve a quality of life each person values* - together with our *Values* make up the foundation on which our culture is framed. We are extremely proud to be a pioneering agency, which coupled with a dynamic workforce and our person-centered mission makes Liberty ARC a stand-out in our field.

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