

# HAPPY 85TH BIRTHDAY disAbility Connections 1925~2010

*Written by: Monica Moser*

What an exciting time it is for disAbility Connections, it is our own anniversary having gotten our start in 1925 - and it is the 20th anniversary of the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act). This is all a very rich history... one with many moments to pride ourselves on. We have made great strides in our own communities and all over our country. So, come along for the ride in this newsletter as we take you through *our* history and that of the ADA.

The history of disAbility Connections goes back to 1916 when the then one-year-old Rotary Club of Jackson launched a club project by helping a child with a disability living in Jackson County. This project continued to grow and in 1924, the first clinic was held at which two hundred children with disabilities were examined. In 1925, the Jackson County Society for Crippled Children was incorporated as a nonprofit with Rotarians serving as officers of the corporation.

To help raise funds for the Society, the first Easter Seals sale was inaugurated in 1934 and an annual sale has been held ever since. This event is now called the Rotary Ruler Days and annually raises about \$10,000 a year with the help of the three local Rotary Clubs.

Dr. Ted Schmidt, Mary Heglund and Alfreda McGuire started the first Crippled Children's Summer Camp in 1945 at Wolf Lake.

With the cooperation of the Boy Scouts, the local Community Chest, the Jackson County Medical Society and the Rotary Club of Jackson, the Society sponsored the annual adaptive summer camp sessions through 1968.

Orthopedic clinics for children with physical disabilities were held with support of the Rotary Clubs and the State Crippled Children's Commission

at Mercy Hospital and Foote Hospital with Dr. Richard Deming being the first Jackson physician to be certified by the State Commission to run the clinics.

The Society remained an affiliate of Easter Seals until 1978.

At that time, the Board of Directors voted to disaffiliate from the state and national Easter Seals Society so that all donated funds would stay in Jackson County to serve Jackson residents with disabilities. At that time the Society also began serving adults with disabilities as well as children with a new name~ Handicapped Children & Adults Society of Jackson County.

In 1993, the Society created the Handicapped Children & Adults Foundation of Jackson County to provide a permanent base of funding to ensure the longevity of the Society. *(continued on next page)*



*In 1952 a vehicle was purchased to take children to school programs and medical appointments.*

*disAbility Connections Inc.*  
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In November 1999, the Jackson County Society for Handicapped Children & Adults and United Cerebral Palsy Association of Jackson merged to form a new nonprofit called disAbility Connections, Inc. Because of this merger, the Handicapped Children & Adults Foundation also changed its name to the disAbility Connections Foundation of Jackson County.

As our programs and services doubled over the past few years, so did our need for space. Mr. A.P. Cook (a Rotarian) came to our rescue and donated his building at 409 Linden Avenue. We successfully completed a \$752,000.00 capital campaign raising the funds for the building renovation and 2,400 square foot addition. Thanks to the donated architecture services of Dave Fleming (another Rotarian), we have a technology center, a universal design kitchen and an accessible multi-purpose room for support groups, workshops and meetings.

On October 1, 2005 we merged with the Jackson Center for Independent Living. With the help of a \$126,023 grant from Michigan Rehabilitation Services, we were able to expand our services to include peer support, independent living skills training and individual and systems advocacy.

Our financial support comes from our friends in the local community by way of individual donations, bequests and memorials, business contributions, foundation grants, The Rotary Clubs of Jackson and other service clubs and fundraising events. Without the support of our community and local partners, we would not have the ability to impact

individuals in their pursuit of independence.

Today we continue to do things with people with disabilities and their families to empower them to be active members of our community ~ Like having the skills and resources to live independently in our community, to work and pay taxes, to go to church and connect with others, to volunteer and give back; whatever it is that is important for an individual. We try to focus on things that other organizations are not doing and things that our community needs.

This can only be possible with a group of cool, dedicated, dynamic people. We are staff members, board members and volunteers. We are social workers, advocates, people with disabilities, ramp-builders, question answerers, Rotarians, artists, public transportation advocates and the list goes on. We are people who try to help people. We help people to be successful in making life connections and choices that lead to independence.

We would like you to join us in celebration, this summer as we commemorate our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in the Jackson Community. We are celebrating with cake and balloons ... we were at the HRC community picnic on Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>, at Camp McGregor for the Lyle Torrant student and family picnic, and we were at Bucky Harris Park on Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 to celebrate our anniversary and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Next, join us on Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at the Jackson County Fairgrounds for the Jackson Symphony Orchestra concert at 7:30 pm. And finally, join us on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> for our 14<sup>th</sup> annual disAbility Awareness Dinner! ■

# ADA:

## Americans with Disabilities Act 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Then and Now.

*Written by: Parrish Stahl*

I remember vividly as a college student in the late 1980's hearing about the efforts of the leaders of the civil rights movement for people with disabilities working on what would become the Americans with Disabilities Act. This article could get extremely technical and talk about the various pieces of legislation that led up to the ADA - what is more effective is to talk about why the momentum built in the first place.

With that being said, a little history is imperative to unraveling where the ADA came from. The ADA didn't just appear on July 26, 1990 at the signing ceremony at the White House. Nor did it begin in 1988 when the first ADA was introduced in Congress. There were some momentous steps that led up to the historic signing. We owe a huge debt to other movements. The 1964 Civil Rights Act

prohibited employment discrimination by the private sector against women and racial and ethnic minorities, and banned discrimination against minorities in public accommodations. It is important to understand that before the ADA, no federal law prohibited private sector discrimination against people with disabilities, absent a federal grant or contract. Momentous legislation like the Rehabilitation Act Section 504 from 1973 paved the way, Section 504 in simple terms banned discrimination on the basis of disability by recipients of federal funds and was



modeled after previous laws which banned race, ethnic origin and sex based discrimination by federal fund recipients. For the first time, the exclusion and segregation of people with disabilities was viewed as discrimination. Before then the thought was that the problems faced by people with disabilities, such as unemployment and lack of education, were inevitable



consequences of the physical or mental limitations imposed by the disability itself. Section 504 showed congress recognition that the

inferior social and economic status of people with disabilities was not a consequence of the disability itself, but instead was a result of societal barriers and prejudices.

The ADA has been described as the Emancipation Proclamation for the disability community.

An individual with a disability is a person who:

- Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities;
- Has a record of such an impairment; or is regarded as having such an impairment.

Ok, I know enough with the history lesson. The real breakthroughs in the past twenty years have been attitudinal. The ADA is not the end of a movement but should always be seen as a continuation. There are still people out there that consider the ADA an un-funded mandate. disAbility Connections continues to be a beacon and sets an example of how to gently persuade our community to do the right thing.

The ADA is only a tool. People are the mechanics that perform miracles with tools. ■



# disAbility



# connections

1916 Rotary Club helps handicapped child from Vandercook Lake



1924 1st "Crippled Children's" clinic was held, 200 children attended

1927 State Rotary & Crippled Children Society start State CC Program to assist children

1934 1st Easter Seal Sale Inaugurated



1952 Vehicle purchased to transport Children to appointments/school

Ruth Gorley hired as 1st Director, board meetings held in her kitchen



1960 1st Rotary Ruler Days (still going strong!)

1970 Dr. Deming chose to keep his clinics at Crippled Children's Society

1972 Jackson Banjo Club started all donations to club given to CC Society



1978 CC Society disaffiliates with Easter Seals. Name change to Jackson County Society for Handicapped Children & Adults



1990 Karen Prater hired as UCP / HCA director

1994 Respite Program added to HCA

1996 1st Annual disAbility Awareness Dinner

HCA & UCP merge to form disAbility Connections

2000 disAbility Connections Celebrates 75th Anniversary at Boos Center

2001 Monica Moser hired as director of DC

2005 disAbility Connections merger with Center for Independent Living (CIL)

2008

1st Go-Go's Summer Camp



1922

Rotary Club conducts survey of handicapped children in county



Rotarians were assigned children to transport to Dr. appointments



1925

Jackson County Crippled Children's Society was formed

1932

Rotary holds 1st Children's Christmas Party (still going in 2010)

1945

Dr. Ted Schmidt, Mary Heglund, Alfreda McGuire & Boy Scouts organize 1st crippled children's camp



1959

Helping Friends Together Club 1st meeting held at Boos Rec Center (group disbands in 2009)



1967

Society moves to 1216 Greenwood, Rotary underwrites 3 years of expenses at \$9124.59

1971

Richard Reidel voted 1st Non-Rotarian president to CC Society.



1976

CC Society moves to barrier free building at 219 W Prospect

1984 - 1990

HCA directors: Betsy Youngdahl and Becky Filip

1993

Society partners on Ramp Building Project with Rotary and Kiwanis (with over 100 ramps built by 2009)



1999

PERC Parent Education & Resource Center Project opens partnering UCP/ Early On

2000

Capital Campaign kicks off raising \$152,000 towards new building at 409 Linden Avenue Housing DC, PERC & Tech Center



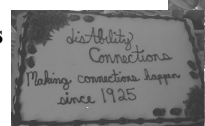
2006

Nursing home / hospital transition program begins



2010

disAbility Connections celebrates 85th Anniversary!







# IEP



## What to know before you go!



**DATE:** SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
(Lunch Provided)

**LOCATION:** disAbility Connections, 409 Linden Ave., Jackson, MI 49203  
Register by September, 17th - WORKSHOP IS FREE!  
Contact Cathy or Jeanna, Jackson County Parent Mentors

**Who should attend:** Families of children with disabilities

(including: AD(H)D, autism spectrum disorder, cerebral palsy, cognitive impairment, epilepsy, emotional impairment, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, hearing impairment, health impairment, learning disability, speech/language impairment, behavior issues, vision impairment, or other disability)

Also: educators and service providers, community members and organizations.

Workshops are free and open to the public.

Coordinated by Michigan Alliance for Families, (800) 552-4821 [www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org](http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org)  
Funded by Michigan Department of Education and U.S. Department of Education

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## ROTARY RULER DAYS 2010 marks its 50th Year!

*Written by: Holly Peterson*

***Bless our Rotarians!*** When we think about the history of disAbility Connections, we can't do that without them...from 1916 when they first "helped a handicapped child in Vandercook Lake" to the ongoing commitment that the local Rotary Clubs make to disAbility Connections. It comes in the form of volunteers, funds, board members, ramp building and the annual ROTARY RULER DAYS.

This year marked the 50th year that Rotarians and other volunteers stood on street corners, in front of local business' and also dig into their own pockets to fill the milk jugs and hand out rulers to those making a donation to provide services through disAbility Connections. Besides the jugs full of change that the volunteers bring in, the local Noon Rotary Club had committed \$5000 bringing the total to \$9500 raised over the 2 days of May 7th and 8th.

There is always a friendly competition (where you earn your name engraved on a

plaque) to see what individual can bring in the most in their jug. This years leading contender turned out to be our own DC office volunteer and first time collector, Elissa Konkol, followed by Rod Riggs, Owen Newell, Butch Hassenwinkle and dC staffer ,Lora Bigcraft in 5th place!



*Staffers- Carmon and Monica turn their collection containers over to Bobby to be counted!*

Other volunteers included;  
Matt Augustine  
Christine Welliver  
Dave Fleming  
Judy Reynolds  
Terri Papierski  
Ed Greene  
Kathryn Keersmaker  
Bill Kiel  
Dan Ramey  
Katherine Ring  
Al Herman  
Manya Otis  
Jerry Jenkins  
R.Z. Rosenfeld  
Philip Moilanen  
Cynthia Conant  
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Kirk Hoffman  
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Jim Egan  
Andy Kalahar  
Rob Reizner  
Jack DeBoe

Donna Cartmell  
Glenda Ripley  
Henry Grayson  
Carmon Yeloushan  
Chet Radabaugh  
Carole Briggs  
Holly Peterson  
Monica Moser  
A.P. Cook  
Robert Henning  
Roger Roty  
Nancy Wagner  
Jonathon Greene  
Kaye Whitcher  
Dawn Kenroy  
Perry Stahl  
Carolyn Matteson  
Mick Baughman  
Ron Coleman  
Dawn Holland  
Julie Brawner  
Bernie Reizner



*Preslee Stahl assists in collecting!*

Some gathered to collect, others were stationed at disAbility Connections counting all of that change and feeding the volunteers.

Providing the food and serving were Donna Petersen, Marge Robinson, Bobbie Graham and Dodie Botsford.

Thanks to these local businesses for lending us their doorsteps to collect:

Sam's Club  
Jackson Crossing Mall  
Downtown Post Office  
Polly's (all 4 locations)  
Kuhl's Bell Tower  
Consumers Energy

Our special thanks goes to those of you who made a donation! ■

## Jackson has Proud History of Grass Roots Efforts to Help People with disabilities

Written By Parrish L. Stahl

This summer at disAbility Connections as we celebrate our 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we have had an opportunity to look back at disAbility Connections storied history and the history of our community as a whole. It is important to look back to understand why we do what we do. Our organization has been many things to many people but as we worked our way through tattered boxes of photos and yellowed newspaper stories we were all filled with tremendous pride that our predecessors, much like us saw needs and tried to fill them. The battles have almost always been uphill but slow steady progress and the talent and passion of volunteers then as now have change at least our corner of the world.

When we look at all those smiling faces from decades ago, we need to continually ask ourselves, would they be satisfied with where we have steered this ship? More often than not, the answer is a resounding yes. We owe it to those that came before us to continue their work as well as ours. This work will be

looked at by future generations; let's make them proud.

Our organization is not alone in grass roots efforts to help people with disabilities in our community. Less than 60 years ago no child with Cerebral Palsy (CP) even *went* to school in Jackson. In 1952 a group of parents started a one-room school in a church basement with 10 children. That school received no state aid, even though the school systems were paid to educate these children. In the 50s, local records indicated 176 children in Jackson with C.P. These 10 families fully funded a teacher, a physical therapist and provided transportation. The community soon got involved, the women of Temple Beth Israel began driving students for families. The Hope School started in 1956, which eventually became the Lyle Torrant Center in the 70s.

You see momentum had to build, and history teaches us efforts have to start somewhere. Even if our efforts sometimes seem insignificant, we are always moving forward, blazing trails and simply doing the right thing. Others will follow us because it feels great to change the world or at least our small piece of it.■

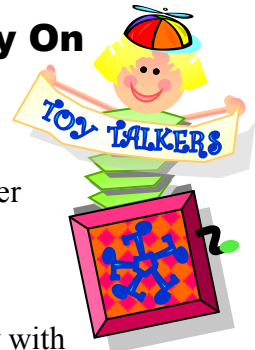
### ADA: Did you know?



*There is nothing in the ADA that says a business must have a power door? A power door is a convenience, but not the law.*

## PERC launches new project with Early On

The Parent Education & Resource Center at disAbility Connections is working collaboratively with Early On to provide in-home visits to children enrolled in Early On. The **TOY TALKERS** Project will take toys into family's homes and work with parents on how important play and toys are to a child's development.



Three **TOY TALKERS** have been hired to begin home visits soon. They are also Early On parents; Amy Culverhouse, Josie Allen and Jeanna TenBrink. This is a key part of the project ...it is *parents providing supports to other parents.*

**TOY TALKERS** will take toys into the family home that focus on the child's age range, and teach parents about how to promote skills such as fine motor, gross motor and language in a fun and interactive way.

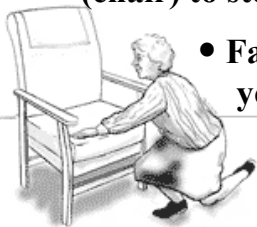
After home visits, families can always check toys out from the Toy Lending Library located at PERC.

*Funding for the TOY TALKERS project was from the Great Start Collaborative, JCISD and Early On.■*

## Get Up Safely when you fall..



- **Roll to your side**  
*turn your head in the direction you are trying to roll then move shoulder, arms, hips, and finally leg over*
- **Move onto your hands and knees** - *start with lifting your upper body, slowly getting to your hands and knees*
- **Hold onto a sturdy surface (chair) to steady yourself**



- **Facing the chair, ease yourself up using the chair for balance**
- **Slowly turn your body into a sit**

### If you Can't get up...

*If you are injured or feel severe pain, don't try to get up as you may risk further trauma. Instead, it is important to try to make yourself heard in any way possible.*

- **Try to get attention-**  
*yell or bang on something*
- **Get comfortable-**  
*grab a cushion, pillow or rolled up clothing to put under your head, legs, arms*
- **Try to keep warm-**  
*grab a towel, rug or tablecloth*
- **Try to keep moving-**  
*Move position to avoid getting pressure sores*  
*Move joints to avoid stiffness and help circulation*  
*Roll away from damp area if your bladder "lets go."*

**Always tell your Doctor or health professional about your fall and to get specifics to assist YOU if you fall.**



## FLOWERS AND RELATIONSHIPS ARE BLOOMING!



Students from Nancy Wright's Hearing Impaired Classroom at McCullough Academy helped DC volunteer and master gardener, Desmond Herbert, with the spring plantings. Mr. Herbert was assisted by his own daughters (also master gardeners), who taught the students all about soil preparation, mulching,

proper planting and plant care.

After all of their hard work, Mr. Herbert rewarded the kids with refreshments and stamps from his personal stamp collection. He has promised the kids that he will continue to visit them in the classroom with more "stamp" lessons.

This was one of those events that is hard to decide who had the best time!

Very special thanks go to Mr. Herbert and his daughters, the students of Mrs. Wright's classroom, Dodie Botsford for the home made "spool cookies" and to Polly's for the donation of the flowers for the garden beds. ■



## Games/Crafts Day at disAbility Connections

**First and Second Friday of Every Month**  
409 Linden Avenue - Jackson (snacks provided)

Friday, August 6, 2010 1 pm to 4 pm  
Featured Craft: TBA

Friday, August 13, 2010 1 pm to 4 pm  
Featured Craft: found art project

Friday, September 3, 2010 1 pm to 4 pm  
Featured Craft: sweater wreath

Friday, September 10, 2010 1pm to 4pm  
Featured Craft: mixed media



**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
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**Tickets are on sale  
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**Don't BUG ME!**

*Written by: Holly Peterson*

It's summer time...I know this  
because the mosquito's are *crazy*  
bugging me us on the patio! My  
daughter is a magnet for those lit-  
tle pests, and it bothers me to spray  
her with many of the "bug sprays."

I recently received one of those  
mass emails from a friend touting  
the miracle that "Bounce" fabric  
softener was...

I thought for  
certain that this  
was a brilliant  
marketing ploy  
(on their part)

stating all of its magical qualities;  
from mosquito repellent to a dust  
cloth to a static remover for your  
computer and tv screens...well,  
we tried it and so far - so good.  
Just hang a Bounce sheet from  
your pocket or belt loop. It is  
reusable too. I am not sure if other  
brands will work.



Years ago, I always planted  
Citronella plants in my garden and  
just grabbed a few leaves and  
rubbed my arms and legs with  
them before heading out to mow.



Many folks swear by *Skin  
So Soft* by Avon. Staffer  
Parrish Stahl likes the  
*citronella wrist bands* (he  
picks them up at the dollar  
store).

If you DO get bit, and want to  
control the itch...some say rub it  
with meat tenderizer, others use  
their fingernail to make an "X"  
over the spot...The Petersons; we  
swear by the *slice of an onion -  
rub onto the spot* method...this  
works for bee stings too. Smelly  
you say...well I am sure a Bounce  
sheet would mask that odor! ■

*disAbility Connections*

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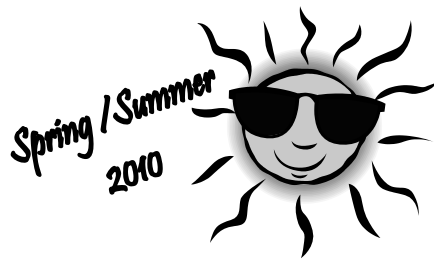


**Thanks to our  
Weekly Volunteers**

Herb Botsford • John Conley  
Alice DeVries • Chuck Dillon  
Gary Eckert • Karen Grace  
Allen Hathaway • Andrew Heins  
Desmond Herbert • Elissa Konkol  
Jerry Miller • Sherrie Rogers  
Pat and Mike Shipley  
Jerry Walmsley

**Save the date for the 14th Annual  
disAbility Awareness Dinner  
Thursday, October 28th at Gene Davis Banquet Center  
Sponsorships, Program Advertising and Tickets are available**

Dana Bowman is a double amputee who lost his legs in an accident during a training as a First Class Sergeant with the U.S. Army Special Forces parachute team. He astounded the nation with his drive, determination and will to succeed returning nine months later, turning tragedy into a triumph when he became the first double amputee to re-enlist in the United States Army. Bowman re-enlisted in the United States Army airborne style, skydiving with his commander into the ceremony, making his dream a reality. This achievement is just one example of Bowman's many successes under adverse circumstances!



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