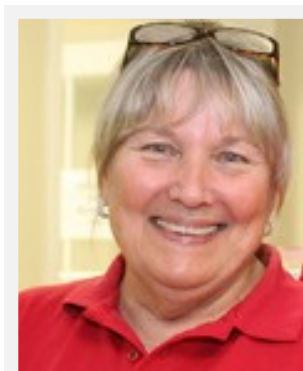


Candidates for the Arc of the Gulf Coast Board of Directors 2018

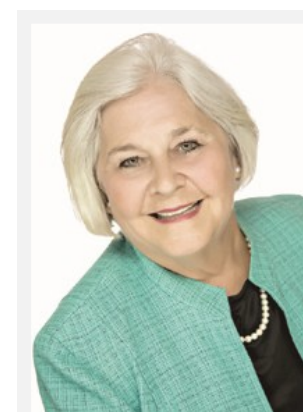
Barbara Armond has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from the University of Florida. After raising her sons and being involved with their sports and academics, she returned to school in 1984. She graduated from the University of Houston-Clear Lake in 1986 with a Masters Degree in Psychology. Her graduate internship was with Clear Creek ISD working with the gifted and talented program. Between finishing her graduate work in 1986 and beginning her work with the Gulf Coast Center in 1988, she worked a school year with Dickinson ISD in the Special Education department as a Psychological Associate under Dr. Carol Booth. She went to work for The Gulf Coast Center in January 1988, as the psychologist completing testing for eligibility determinations. In 1991, she was the Autism Resource Staff for the Center. In 1995 she left The Gulf Coast Center and, with Danny Armond, founded Golden Rule Services, Inc. For the first 18 months, the couple had a contract with DADS for a pilot project. Then Golden Rule Services, Inc. began its contract with DADS for community services. Currently, she is responsible for the day to day operations of Golden Rule Services, Inc. She serves on the Golden Rule Services Board as Secretary. Barbara currently serves on the board of the Private Provider Association of Texas. She is a member of Heritage Park Baptist Church in Friendswood. Barbara is also "Nana" to Nicole, Daniel, Evangelina "Gigi", Trae, Sophia, Leah, and Elijah.



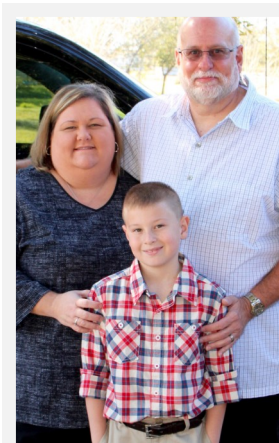
Shirley Brothers

former Director of Public Information for the City of Alvin Shirley is a 44 year resident of Alvin. She retired in 2012 after 40 years with the school district. Prior to her public information position, she was a special education teacher serving children of all ages who have special needs. Shirley graduated from Sam Houston State University with a degree in education and previously served on the board of The Arc. Shirley is a member of the Alvin Noon Lions Club, the Aglaian Study Club, the Chocolate Bayou Community Advisory Panel, the First United Methodist Church of Alvin and serves on the Board of Directors of both the Alvin ISD Education Foundation and the ACC Foundation. Shirley is the mother of two daughters and the grandmother of seven grandchildren.

(Special talents: community networking, communications, education)



Deanna David is a long-time advocate and professional for people with intellectual developmental disabilities in the Gulf Coast area. Currently providing services through the Gulf Coast Center as the IDD Provider Services Program Manager, Deanna has provided over 22 years of individualized services as an employment specialist, case manager, day habilitation liaison, and contract respite supervisor. Her passion is for the self-advocate to achieve the life that makes sense to them - and the family that supports them. Her reputation is helping people to solve complex problems and tap into the resources that are available to survive some very difficult situations. She resides with her husband and son in Santa Fe.



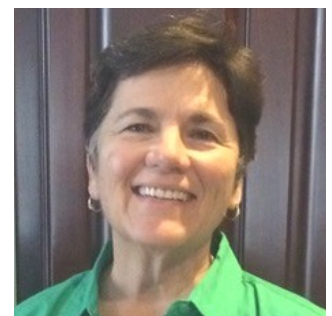
Hi! I am Paula Franklin, a public school educator who has served students with disabilities in for the past ten years. I am actively involved with the needs of my students, both in and out of the classroom. As a feature blogger of The Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) I have been featured in online, as well as print features related to education and issues surrounding public education for students with disabilities. I recently testified in front of the Senate Education Committee in regards to the effect of Hurricane Harvey on our local school districts. You can access this under the Senates hearing recording for November 2017. I am actively involved in the Texas Counsel of Administrators in Special Education (TCASE) and I am also the head of delegation of our Galveston ISD Special Olympics Team. I am the Special Education Instructional Specialist for GISD. I truly love my job and would like to be more involved in the community projects the ARC provides. As a step parent to a child with special needs, I am directly affected by legislature changes, funding and public support, just like any other parent. Our son attends Pearland High School and will graduate in 2020. *Go Oilers!*



Lorin Rayburn Furlow is the Director of Special Services in Brazosport Independent School District in Texas where she supports students, families, and campuses with Special Education or 504 services. Lorin also serves as a Restorative Discipline Coordinator, training with the University of Texas Institute for Restorative Justice and Restorative Dialogue and volunteers actively at The Brazosport Center for the Arts and Sciences. Lorin and her husband Chris are lifelong residents of Lake Jackson, Texas, where they have raised their two children, Chance (20) and Hope (18). Lorin has not only participated as a professional in ARD and 504 meetings, but also participated and advocated as a parent for Chance who received special education services from the age of 3 until graduation and Hope who is now a senior and has received 504 services for dyslexia since 2nd grade. Lorin believes in supporting collaborative relationships that embrace all learners to successfully achieve their full



Norine Jaloway-Gill volunteered to serve as the Interim Executive Director of The Arc of the Gulf Coast in 2015-16. She is a family member and currently her brother Ed with an intellectual developmental disabilities resides with her family in Seabrook. She is the Executive Director of Imagine Enterprises, a non-profit that provides Benefits Planning for SSA beneficiaries who go to work and Financial Management Services for HCS-CDS Medicaid waiver services. Her knowledge includes Medicaid, SSA Benefits, employment, housing, transportation, and education services that directly impact the quality of life of people with disability and the coordination of service delivery. Career combines organizational management qualifications with knowledge, expertise and creative strategies for Texans with disabilities and their families, as well as community organizations, agencies, legislators, and policy makers. Excellent consensus-building and negotiation skills. Confident, articulate and persuasive.



Kimberly Amelia Hegwood, Hegwood and Associates, P.C.

Focusing on elder law, asset protection planning, estate planning and related practice areas, Kim's passion for family and care giving come through in her enduring relationships with her clients. Kim's personal experiences with a daughter with a disability, together with her mastery of the law, make Kim and the Hegwood & Associates family of attorneys uniquely qualified to help families and individuals with special needs plan for the future and cope during times of crisis. Kim understands what her clients are going through and dedicates herself to treating every client with the compassion and respect he or she deserves.



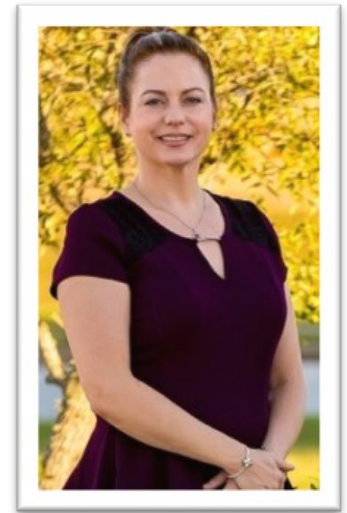
My name is Heather Maynard, I moved to Brazoria County two years ago, after getting married. We have four children combined; three girls and one boy. My son is on the autism spectrum and diagnosed with A.D.H.D. As a parent of a special needs child, I feel advocating comes naturally. I graduated from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor with my teaching certification in physical education and special education, with the intention of becoming an adapted physical education teacher. However, during my student teaching, I surprisingly fell in love with the classroom more than the gym. I started off working as a communication facilitator in a deaf education program for two years. Currently, I am a secondary life skills teacher for Brazosport I.S.D. where I am closing out my fifth year of teaching life skills. I love having the opportunity to work with and advocate for individuals with special needs. I enjoy being able to see both the parental aspects and educator sides of the special education world. As a special education educator, I try to provide my students and parents with as many resources and tools as possible within the community. I have been a member of The Arc of the Gulf Coast for two years now and would like to get more involved by joining the board.



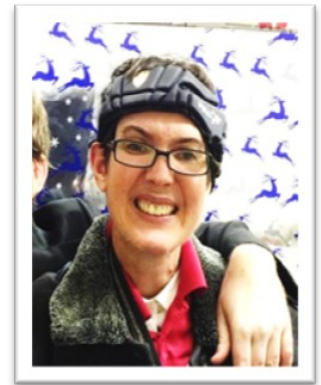
Hello everyone! **My name is Patrick Monaghan** and I am the father of two wonderful boys (Will and Wade), and married to the greatest person I know, Heather. I have been working with individuals who have special needs for eighteen years. I started as a camp counselor at the Texas Elk's Camp for Special Needs Children, and have been a house parent for CPS, direct care professional in residential treatment facilities, and a member of the Alvin ISD family for the past twelve years. With Alvin ISD, I have served as special education teacher at E.C. Mason Elementary, Manvel High School, and Passmore Elementary, and as an administrator at Disney Elementary, Marek Elementary, and Harby Junior High. This past December I reached personal goal and became a Special Education Coordinator for Alvin, and have never been happier!



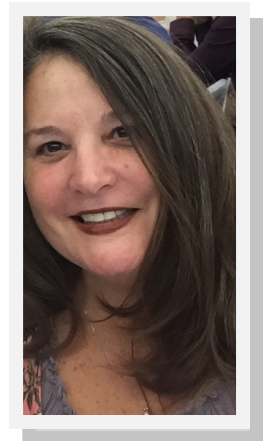
For over 23 years, **Kristina Motiejunas**, Board Certified Behavior Analyst, has been working with children with autism spectrum to help improve treatment for clients. Her educational background includes studying with a Cambridge University professor, and completing one of the most comprehensive and first to be certified Behavior Analysis programs in the U.S. Kristina was selected as a program coordinator supervising undergraduate and graduate students during her graduate training and several of these students now lead other training centers. Language development in young children with autism and training staff to implement ABA procedures have been her main areas of focus. Kristina has also presented research in topics such as: training techniques that increase social interactions of children with autism, play skills, language acquisition, and schedules of reinforcement at international conferences. She also worked in the University of Texas Medical School Neuroscience Department on studies investigating the effects of different brain regions in autism. As a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Kristina is a recipient of an Air Force Commendation Medal for her technical work and service overseas.



Gwen Noser has been a member of The Arc of the Gulf Coast for 15 years and has been able to live on her own for over 20 years. Gwen has been successful because of her tenacity, and her self-advocacy efforts of the Arc of Texas. She is also involved in the Texas Self Advocates as well as the Gulf Coast Self Advocates. Gwen has been asked to speak on many occasions. Gwen and her Husband, Andy Noser, live in Pearland. *(Special talents: self-advocacy, advocacy for people with I/DD)*

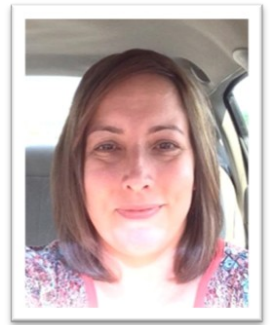


Georgeanna Santarelli has been a Special Education teacher for over 25 years. She has worked for Dickinson Independent School District for 13 of those years. For the past 4 years she has been the Transition Coordinator for Dickinson ISD, focused on supporting young adults with disabilities to enter into the adult world through community work, transportation and independent living goals. She works with the students and their families to ensure they receive the full benefit of educational services as they mature and age out of school services. She is intimately aware of the challenges that students with disabilities face through both her personal and work experiences. Her students always seek her out - even after they leave the school system - to help with problem-solving and staying in the community. Recently, Ms. Santarelli moved her transition classes to the College of the Mainland in Texas City to ensure teach and community training go hand-in-hand.

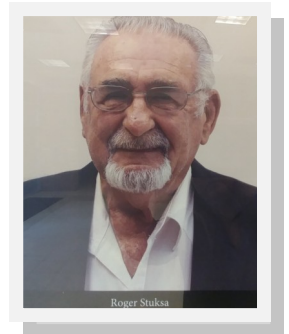


Dondra Stang is vice president of Beyond Family, a local nonprofit organization helping families with special needs children by providing respite through once monthly respite events (www.beyondfamily.org). She is a Christian, wife and mother of four. Her youngest son has low functioning autism and has been her biggest motivator for helping families with special needs children.

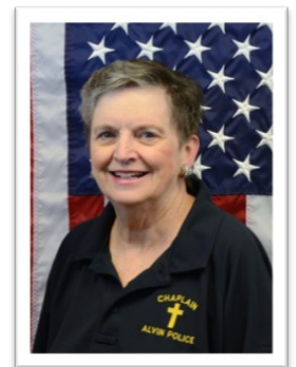
She has lived in this area for 27 years and in Pearland for 17 of those years. She and Randy have been married for 17 years. They are very excited to work together with Beyond Family and love being a part of the lives of the families we work with each month.



Roger Stuksa first came to the Alvin community from his hometown, Cleveland, Ohio in, 1953 where his father was the owner of a heating/air conditioning company. Because of his dad's health, the doctor made a recommendation to his father that he should consider moving to a warmer climate to help him improve his health. His mother's sister, who owned Heller's Nursery, lived in Alvin, so the family decided to relocate here. When arriving in Alvin, Stuksa and his father opened an air conditioning/heating company. Following that, he went to work for Trane and continued there for 23 years. After retirement, he has taught air conditioning/heating classes to employees of other air conditioning businesses. Stuksa has served on the Alvin City Council for eight years. He is currently in his first year as a Reagent for Alvin Community College. He is a member of several service groups in Alvin and would enjoy the opportunity to serve on The Arc of the Gulf Coast board.



Judy Zavalla, an Alvin resident, is a retired newspaper reporter. She is the mother of a daughter who works hard to keep her in line (Amanda) and a son, Matthew. She holds a Associates Degree in Management Development from Alvin Community College, a Certified Professional Manager designation and a Certified Volunteer Administrator certification. Her hobby and her passion revolves around volunteering.





— ELECTION BALLOT —

For The Arc of the Gulf Coast Board of Directors

★ **Please Select 8 Candidates** ★

☐ Barbara Armond

☐ Patrick Monaghan

☐ Shirley Brothers

☐ Kristina Motjejunas

☐ Deanna David

☐ Gwen Noser

☐ Paula Franklin

☐ Georgeanna Santarelli

☐ Lorin Furlow

☐ Dondra Stang

☐ Norine Jalloway-Gill

☐ Roger Stuksa

☐ Kimberly Hegwood

☐ Judy Zavalla

☐ Heather Maynard



Write in Vote

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Attention Members: Please select 8 choices for the Board of Directors, and bring this with you when you come to the meeting on March 31st at the Alvin Senior Center. If you do not come to the meeting please drop off ahead of time at the Arc Building located at 204 W. Coombs Street Alvin Texas 77511 You may mail your ballot to the address above. Please ensure that it gets to us by March 30th

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