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## Celebrating Achievement 2015 Annual Achievers Banquet

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Each year, The Arc hosts its annual Achievers Banquet, where individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities are honored for their accomplishments. This year, we honored 26 Achievers from 21 local agencies!



Achiever Awards are given to people who have accomplished a goal during the year, such as getting a job in the community, learning a new task or improving a basic skill. Returning to host this event favorite, held at Morgan's Wonderland, were local businessman and philanthropist Gordon Hartman and former WOAI news correspondent Jozannah Quintanilla.

“I will come back and host Achievers as long as The Arc will have me. It's one of my favorite events,” said Hartman.

The Arc has been hosting the Achiever's Banquet for over 30 years. This year's nominees spanned in age from 22 months to 59 years and were celebrated for various achievement such as living independently to inspiring others to achieve their own accomplishments.

The Arc itself honored four recipients this year, which included West Avenue's Aundrealise Riddick, 5, in the child care program and Tyler Chinn, 25, in the LEAP program.



From the Pam Stephens Center, award were also given to Jonah Silva, 15 and Joshua Hayes, 27. To see more photos from the 2015 Achievers Banquet, check out our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/thearcofsa>.

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