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CELEBRITIES SHINE AT After dArc 2007



Tim Quinn, Executive Director at The Arc and Art Donovan, former Baltimore Colt, gear up for After dArc 2007

[ABERDEEN, MD] – **Art Donovan**, the colorful former Baltimore Colt defensive lineman and Hall of Famer along with **Toni Linhart**, Former Baltimore Colt Place Kicker, **Al Bumbry**, Former, Baltimore Oriole, **Scott Garceau**, Channel 2 News Sports Director, **Bob Turk**, Channel 13's respected weathercaster, **Donna Hamilton**, Co-Anchor at 11 News, **Brent Harris**, Comcast Newscaster, and **Alan Elkin**, Advanced Business Systems, will join other local Harford County celebrities at the **Third Annual After dArc Celebrity Chef and Auction Event Hosted by The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region on Saturday, March 31 from 7PM to Midnight at Maryland Golf & Country Clubs in Bel Air, Maryland.**

The celebrity chefs will join Harford County celebrities, County Executive David Craig, Delegate Barry Glassman, Daniele Fleischer, Tony Meoli, Sheryl Davis Kohl, Bill Cox, and Mary Chance, who will be preparing an American and International menu.

The event will include a silent and live auction including a basket competition, wine-tasting festivities, martini bar, and music and dancing to the live sounds of Tony Berry and New Money, the lead act at this year's Baltimore Inner Harbor New Year's Eve Celebration.

The evening will culminate in the drawing of the winning raffle ticket for the "Be Wined, Be Dined" raffle which includes a grand prize of \$1,500 in gift certificates to area restaurants including Basta Pasta, Josef's, Enotria, Scotto's, Looney's, McGregor's, Tidewater Grille, Beechtree, Outback Steak House, Crackpot, Bulle Rock, Torinos, Mountain Branch, Open Door Café, MaGerk's, Sakura, and Sean Bolan's. The raffle tickets are priced at 1 ticket for \$10 or 5 tickets for \$25 and the winning ticket will be drawn at the event. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win. The raffle ticket sale to benefit The Arc is sponsored by Visage Salon & Day Spa and Jordan Thomas Salon & Spa. Raffle tickets will also be sold at the salons up until the date of the event.

Silent and live auction items include vacation packages, sports memorabilia, and a selection of specialty baskets including wine and spirits, chocolate lovers, golf, floral, pet, culinary, gourmet coffee/tea, spa, and mystery baskets.

The "One Enchanted Evening" attraction, will feature a local Harford County artist(s) capturing the essence of the event and their work being auctioned off at the end of the evening.

Event ticket price is \$125 per person and will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. Individual tickets can be purchased on-line at www.arcncr.org and The Arc is offering sponsorship opportunities. For more information about event tickets, raffle tickets, or sponsorship opportunities, contact Paul Levine at The Arc at 410-879-6785, or email at plevine@arcncr.org

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The Arc offers a wide variety of services to individuals with developmental disabilities in Harford, Cecil and Kent County, both children and adults, to make informed choices in their lifestyles, vocations, education and recreational pursuits, and to assure stable and nurturing lives among their families and friends. The auction event will specifically benefit Supported Living Services at The Arc. Funds raised will help individuals meet the needs of everyday life, to remain connected to family and friends, and to take an active part in their communities.

