## BREAKING 2024 BARRIERS



## **UCP of Maine Offers New Shared Living Program**

UCP of Maine is excited to announce its brandnew Shared Living program, for the Greater Bangor area, within the Adult Residential Services department. Shared Living is for adults age 18+ living with an intellectual and/ or developmental need who are unable to live independently and would benefit from living in a family-type home setting and are eligible for MaineCare Services under the Home and Community Waiver. Andrew Cassidy, Director of Long-Term Care Services for UCP of Maine recently shared, "We are excited to be offering this new program and expanding our Adult Residential Services to better meet the wide need of our clients. In Shared Living, providers must be a certified Direct Support Professional

(DSP) and comply with the Shared Living Handbook as published by the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). The client becomes part of the family with a consistent, stable environment where they can thrive and grow with community inclusion." For more information and to make a referral, call Jared Dolley at 207-941-2952 x333.

## UCP of Maine Summer & Fall Happenings



K-4's first annaul science fair



Staff playing in the Greater Bangor Association of Realtors charity Golf Scramble to benefit ELC



ELC celebrating their new outdoors space with the 100 Neighbors Who Care of Penobscot Valley



## UCP of Maine Celebrates 22 Years of Pumpkins in the Park



On Sunday, October 20, 2024, from 11am to 5:00pm, UCP of Maine's 22nd Annual Pumpkins in the Park. This event is held at the Anah Shriner's building located on 1404 Broadway in Bangor. Andrew Lohman, Pumpkins in the Park Chair, recently shared "We are extremely excited to be back in person again this year for

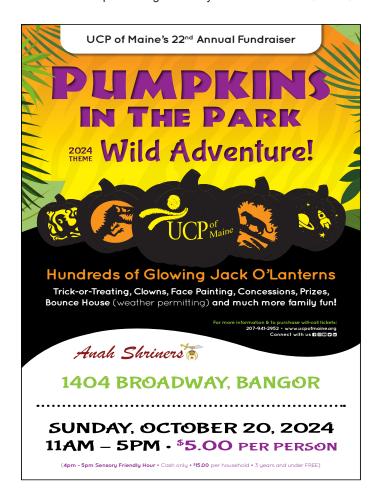
our 22nd annual Pumpkins in the Park fundraiser. This year, for the last hour of the event, from 4:00pm - 5:00pm, will be a sensory-friendly environment for individuals who would like to attend. During this time we will have low music playing and the lights on."

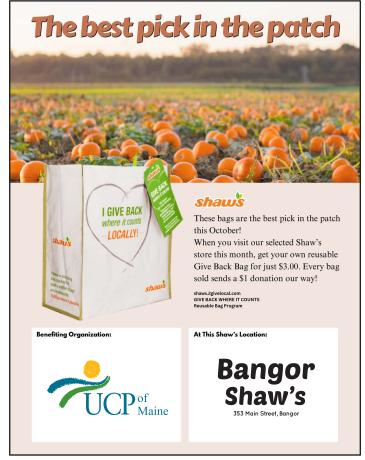
Pumpkins in the Park is an indoor community

Halloween event for the entire family. This year's theme is Wild Adventure; attendees are encouraged to come in their Halloween costumes. At the event, attendees will enjoy warm and safe trick-or-treating at business-sponsored pumpkin patches, with hundreds of glowing jack o'lanterns carved by area youth and business groups.

Along with trick-or-treating, the event will feature face painting, prizes, bounce house (weather permitting), concessions, and much more! Any business interested in sponsoring can contact Andrew Lohman at 941-2952 ext. 233.

Pumpkins in the Park is a cash-only event with admission of \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family. Children 3 years old and under are free! Presale will-call tickets to avoid ticket lines the day of the event are available by contacting Brenda Wilson-Denning at 941-2952 ext. 308, or stopping by UCP of Maine at 700 Mt. Hope Ave Suite 320. Tickets will also be available at the door on the day of the event. All of the proceeds from this event will benefit UCP of Maine in supporting the needs of children and adults with physical, intellectual and mental health needs in the community.







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