

REC Ramblings

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS UPDATES

Basketball

The Ottawa County Rockets have had a decent season so far. In the first game of the season, Wyandot County barely defeated the Rockets. It was a hard loss, but the Rockets rebounded and won their next two games versus Sandusky and Henry Counties. In the latest game, Lucas County won making our current record 2-2.

If you've missed out on the action and would like to catch a game, our schedule is as follows:

January 23	Away v Wyandot	Mohawk Community Ctr.	6:00pm
January 29	Home v Seneca	Red Horse Gym	6:30pm
February 1	Away v Seneca	Seneca Opportunity Ctr.	6:30pm
February 5	Home v Fulton	Red Horse Gym	6:30pm
February 7	Away v Fulton	Wauseon Middle School	7:00pm
February 12	Home v Lucas	Red Horse Gym	6:00pm

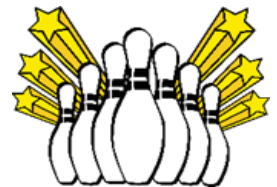
***Players**– Please go by the times on your schedules because the times listed are the times games will start, NOT the time you need to arrive by!*

If you need more specifics, please contact one of the REC staff, and they will be happy to assist you! LET'S GO ROCKETS!



Track & Field and Bowling

Practices for bowling will be held at Star Lanes in Port Clinton. Because of the number of participants, we will be assigning athletes to either Monday or Wednesday.



Track practices will be held at Oak Harbor High School on Thursdays. The dates on the calendar are tentative, so if you would like to participate contact Carrie (ccollins@ocbdd.org or 567-262-3113) or Ray (rgreen@ocbdd.org or 567-262-3119) to be sent a schedule. In order to participate in Special Olympics, you must have a current physical on record, so please contact us sooner rather than later to make sure your paperwork is still up-to-date. Hope to hear from you soon!

SELF-ADVOCACY UPDATES

If you are interested in SASSY, OSDA, or Project STIR please call Carrie or Julia for more information.

SASSY

Our SASSY (Self Advocates Sayin' Something, YEAH!) group has been working hard towards spreading the message about advocacy! Remember, when you see this logo, SASSY is involved!



Our group is working on a series of projects with Pathway Inclusion Center. The first presentation was in December. Advocates spoke about their personal journeys in advocacy, and the effect Project STIR, OSDA, and SASSY have had on their lives. The next presentation will be on budgeting, and will be taking place in April. Be on the lookout for flyers for the events as they happen!

We also have a group of advocates who are doing a presentation for the Clearwater Council of Governments in February. This presentation will be very similar to the one given for Pathways, but will be geared towards provider staff.

New members are always welcome, so feel free to come and join us! We meet at OCBDD (235 North Toussaint South Road, Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449) on the LAST Tuesday of every month from 5-6pm. It's free to attend, and snacks are provided!

Ohio Self Determination Association (OSDA)



The meeting on March 27th will be a regional meeting at Fort Ball Pizza in Tiffin from 10:15a-1p. County representatives get together to discuss what their self-advocacy programs are doing, and to discuss state issues. The April 24th meeting is at Tiffin University from 10:30a-1:30p. This meeting will be a training hosted by Seneca County and the Department of Developmental Disabilities. If you're interested in attending, please contact Carrie or Julia.

Project STIR

Project STIR (Steps Towards Independence and Responsibility) covers topics such as:

- ◆ Budgeting
- ◆ Negotiating
- ◆ Rights and Responsibilities
- ◆ Much More!

We will be discussing some Project STIR lessons in our SASSY meetings, and if we have enough interest, we will look at hosting a local Project STIR training! Please contact Carrie if you're interested.

REC UPDATES

SIGN UP PROCESS

How To:

- Anything on the calendar is “drop-in” unless it says otherwise on the “Current Activities” page. This means that you just show up where the event is happening. It’s that easy! **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CALENDARS BACK!** If you need a ride for a drop in, please call ASAP to set it up. Transportation is VERY limited and is on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- There is a sheet with activity choices for the month. **THIS IS THE PAGE WE NEED YOU TO SEND BACK OR CALL WITH YOUR ACTIVITIES!** Follow the instructions on the page. Please remember to choose only one or two activities.
- Please, please, PLEASE make your choices and contact Carrie **BY THE DUE DATE.** Unfortunately, if Carrie does not have them by the due date, we will be unable to schedule you for activities for that time frame.

If you have any questions about this, please call Carrie 567-262-3113 or email her at ccollins@ocbdd.org!

Current Activities



Join the Ottawa County Self Advocacy group. (No Cost). The meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month from 5-6pm at **OCBDD (235 N. Toussaint S. Rd, Oak Harbor)**. If you’d like more details, contact Carrie.



OSDA– OSDA stands for: Ohio Self Determination Association. Cost is less than \$10 and REC will provide transportation. The March training is at Fort Ball Pizza. The Tiffin University trainings will resume in April. Please contact Carrie for more information, or to sign up to go!



Special Olympics Basketball– The Ottawa County Rockets love to have fans at all of their games! Please contact Carrie or Ray if you’d like a copy of the schedule to come **ROOT ON THE ROCKETS!**



Side by Side Art ~ Saturday, March 3 ~ 2-4pm ~ Civilian Marksmanship Program Armory Building at Camp Perry ~ For those of you that enjoy art, or for those who would like to try something new, join us at the Armory building to create a masterpiece! **You must register by February 26th!** Cost is \$20.



Pancake Breakfast ~ Sunday, March 11 ~ 9am-1pm ~ Port Clinton Knights of Columbus #1750 Building ~ Come and enjoy a nice hot breakfast for a good cause (109 East Perry Street #A, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452). Cost is \$8.



Can Do! Like You Basketball Tournament ~ Monday, March 19 ~ 6-9pm ~ Oak Harbor High School ~The annual tournament features teams from various high schools and county organizations playing in a round robin tournament for the coveted trophy. Proceeds benefit the United Way and the FOPA for Ottawa County Special Olympics! Cost: Concessions, Donations, & 50/50



If you have any other questions, comments, concerns, or just want to know more about something, here’s our contact information:

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