HOPE SERVICES

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Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities

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Our Mission

HOPE Services is committed to creatively working in partnership with eligible individuals and their families to discover, pursue and achieve what is important to them.

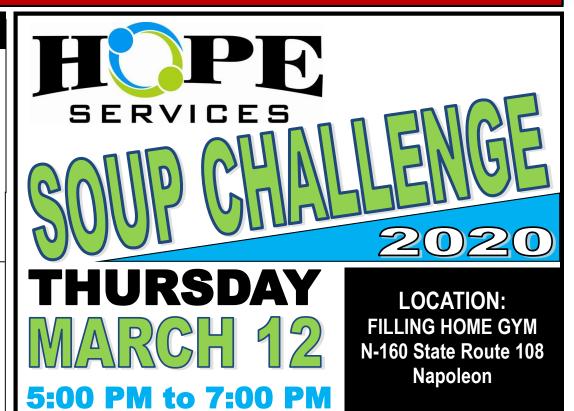
Listen to WNDH 103.1 every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. for more information about HOPE Services.

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This is a DD Awareness Month community event open to the public.

Hope to see you there!

Once Upon a Time...

PCS & HENRY COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Present HOMECOMING 2020

St. Paul Gymnasium 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

> ADMISSION: Gentlemen: A bag of chips Ladies: A dozen cookies













HOPE Service's Early Intervention Program along with Henry County's Home Visitation Program held their annual Christmas Dinner at Crossroads Church.

The Christmas dinner included a visit with Santa, gifts, a delicious ham dinner, and crafts for families to participate in making. This year we had a great turn out! It was a joyful time to talk with families and share in the holiday joy.

A huge thank you goes to all involved in providing donations that allowed this Christmas Dinner to be such a success!









HOLIDAY RECAP









Thank you to the Filling Home for a great Holiday Luau and for the chance to see Santa Claus!



HOPE Services Giving Tree 2019 benefitted Henry County Family Intervention Court by donating incentives which have proven to be great motivators for positive change. HOPE Staff enjoyed filling the tree with gifts!







HOPE Services staff participated in 2019 PROJECT: We Care, which provided assistance to Henry County families with school-age and younger children in the form of clothes and toys for the 2019 Christmas Season. Three families/9 children benefitted from HOPE staff donations.



DON'T PLAY "WAIT AND SEE"

Visit @NWOEI on Facebook for screening dates and how to sign up!

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS NORTHWEST OHIO

Ages 0-5 years old

Valentine's Day Dance

Friday, February 14, 2020 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



This event is brought to you by PCS Henry County as a Community Service Project and HARC Recreation. Community members are welcome!

Invite your friends and come to the Old Time Valentine's Day Dance at the Filling Home Community Center.

Art Exhibit Open House Thursday, February 13 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at HOPE Services

"I am an Artist from Soaring Arts Studio, and I have autism. I have been working at the Studio for a little over a year. In that time, I have been able to explore my creative abilities through many different techniques like mandalas, optical illusions, acrylic pours, face painting, and geometric painting...to list a few " - Featured Artist Jen Nofziger

This will be the 4th art exhibit that has been displayed at HOPE Services. As you travel throughout Henry County you will see creations from many Soaring Arts artists displayed in businesses, parks and throughout downtown. Stop and Shop or made-to-order, visit the Studio to see the artwork and items sold. For more information call Tonja Wagner at (419)-592-0535.



HOPE Services will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2020, in observance of President's Day.

LIVING WELL!

TUESDAY, FEB. 18, 6-7:30 pm HOPE SERVICES ACTIVITY CENTER

Have you ever wondered what the correct portion size is, or how to make healthy food taste better? **Join us** for our kick off night of the Living well classes. Join us for a fun filled class that is hands on and interactive.

THE NEXT HCBDD BOARD MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 4:00 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 19 IN THE HOPE SERVICES' ACTIVITY CENTER



Self-Advocacy

Friday, March 20, 2020 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. HOPE Services Activity Center





Call Randy at: 119-591-6798

The Pistons take on the Warriors March 20 at

Leave 4:30 HOPE Return 11:00pm Cost: \$25.00



OSU Stadium Tour!!

March 31 Leave 10:00 am from HOPE Return 7:00pm Cost: \$10 for ticket and Money to eat on.





Call Randy at: 419-591-6798 Or 419-599-2892





Come join us for a night of "Artistry in the Dirt" Where: Huntington Center in Toledo!

When: March 8, 2020

Cost: \$34

(limited to the first 12) Leave HOPE at 10:15am.

> Bring money for souvenirs and snacks.





April 3 LION KING! At the

Stranahan Theater



Any foods/snack is Leave HOPE: 6:30pm Return: 11:00pm



FAMILY NIGHT PIZZA & BINGO **FUNDRAISER** WED. MARCH 4



\$5.00 per person * 5:00 - 7:00 PM **Filling Home Community Center** 2 slices of pizza, a drink and 1 bingo card. Extra cards and pizza \$1.00 each.

Special Olympics

CHANGE IS HARD

structure of sports seasons for our sports of snowshoeing, alpine skiing state. It's hard to take. We like the way it was. It's not the same!

CHANGE CAN BE GOOD!

Reason #1 is to increase the Games be held in late June. Quality for SO athletes - we want you to get the most out of the sport you Fall Games, which will include choose!

pation - more athletes are able to participate in sports!

Reason #3 is to increase sponsor participation - more sponsors means more supporters for Special Olympics!

A POSITIVE ATTITUDE WILL LEAD TO POSITIVE **OUTCOMES**

THANK YOU FOR STAYING POSTIVE!

The Changes being made are consolidating summer sport. 9 State Individual events into 3 Multi-Sport moved back to the later time frame Games.

Winter Games, which includes Basketball, Aquatics, Cheerleading Special Olympics Ohio has changed the and Traditional Outdoor Winter and snowboarding, will be held in late February.

> Summer Games, will see soccer removed, making it a Fall Sport to

softball, golf, equestrian, Reason #2 is to Increase Athlete partici- football and soccer, will be held in October.

> Some seasons have changed. Team Bowling is now a summer sport, soccer was moved to fall, basketball season was moved up, starting the of October and ending (depending on if your team advances in the tournament) mid- February. Swimming season was moved later, starting in November and ending mid-February. Cheerleading is a new sport and was added to winter. Typically cheerleading was a late Equestrian was in October.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

HOPE Services appreciates the hard work and dedication of each of its professionals which contribute to the overall success of the agency. As such, we would like to recognize the years of service given by the following employees:

John Hoover 10 years
Stephen Tucker 3 years
Kelly Verbeke 24 years
Rita Saneholtz 21 years
Chris Schultz 21 years
Kris Banister 6 years
JoAnn Dennie 4 years

WELCOME TO THE TEAM!



Melissa Beman, SSA joined our team in January. She is from Napoleon and has 3 children; Carly, Nora and Zoe. She enjoys reading, gardening, running.



Welcome back Dawn McBride. After retirement, Dawn returned to HOPE Services as a part-time Developmental Specialist.



Tina Parsons returned to HOPE Services as the full-time Advocacy and Community Support Coordinator.



Amber Falor joined us in February as the Agency Intern. We are thrilled to have her with us until May 2020. Amber is from Wauseon, OH and enjoys crafting.

HOPE SERVICES FOUNDATION Grant Awarded

The HOPE Services Foundation was formed in 1999 to provide a tax deductible 501 © (3) charity that will assist in enriching the quality of life of children, youth and adults who are served by the Henry County Board of Developmental Disabilities (HCBDD).

All eligible individuals and service providers to those served by the HCBDD are welcome to request funding from the HOPE Services Foundation. 2020 Grant Requests are now being accepted.

In considering grant approval, The HOPE Service Foundation focuses on working toward providing the highest possible quality of living to those individuals in Henry County with special needs.

Funding is available on a case by case review by the HOPE Services Foundation. If you are interested in applying for 2020 grant assistance, please contact a SSA from HOPE Services for assistance in completing the grant application.



Molly and her family would like to thank the HOPE Foundation for their generous contribution toward the purchase of a stair lift. The stair lift enables Molly to safely access the family room/activity area in the home. Prior to installation it was necessary for Molly to be carried up and down the stairs."



There are many ways to volunteer your time throughout the year. For more info contact: Randy Barnes, Special

Olympics rbarnes@henrydd.org or Tina Parsons, Advocacy and Community Support,

2020 Census is Coming

Everyone Deserves to Be Counted

The census is a count of *every* person who lives in the United States. It happens every 10 years.

Every town is an important part of the American story, that is why we need you to participate!

Your response matters

Health Clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community.

Counting Everyone

Census figures help advocates, community leaders, and elected officials address disparities in housing, health care, employment, and education. Fair voting representation depends on valid census data, as does the enforcement of voting rights laws. The health and wellbeing, and the political power of all communities, rests on a fair and accurate census count. Elected officials cannot make informed decisions about how to allocate federal tax dollars fairly and effectively without an accurate accounting of the population.

Participating in the census is required by law, even if you recently completed another survey from the Census Bureau. A complete and accurate count is critical for you and your community, because the results of the 2020 Census will affect community funding, congressional representation, and more.



YOUTH SERVICES

Application packets for the summer program are due soon! Please mail or drop your completed packets off to Melinda Camp @ 135 East Maumee, Napoleon.





Working in the community can allow you to earn your own money. Working can help you increase your independence and empower you to create more opportunities for the way you live your life.

Considering employment can also be a big change - and it may bring lots of questions about what that means for you. You may be afraid that you will lose your benefits if you work. You may be concerned about how to get your benefits back if you stop working or need to work fewer hours because of your disability. You may be afraid that you will lose your health benefits if you go to work. We also know that working opens doors and offers you more choices.

Arm yourself with information so that you can make decisions based on facts, not fear. For more information talk to your SSA or Melinda Camp, Employment First Manager.

Kent's Korner January/ February Christina Clark Upcoming Events

February 1st Young Athletes at Filling Home Gym from 9:30am to 10:30am February 4th Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way from 4:00pm to 6:00pm February 8th Young Athletes at Filling Home Gym from 9:30am to 10:30am February 11th Bowling at River City Bowl A-Way from 4:00pm to 6:00pm February 15th Young Athletes at Filling Home Gym from 9:30am to 10:30am February 16th Heartland Collegiate Athletic League Unified Bowling Tournament Indianapolis all day A-Way from 4:00pm to 6:00pm February 17th Washington Day Bumper Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way from 10:00am to 12:00pm February 18 Bowling at River City Bowl A-Way from 4:00pm to 6:00pm

February 21st/23rd Winter Games at **BGSU**

February 22nd Young Athletes at Filling Home Gym from 9:30am to 10:30am February 22nd Team 2 plays at 9:00am at BG Student Rec. Center February 22nd Women team winner go to state at BGSU Perry Fieldhouse February 25th Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way from 4:00pm to 6:00pm February 28th Homecoming at St. Paul's from 6:00pm to 9:30pm February 29th Young Athletes at Filling Home Gym from 9:30am to 10:30am March 5th Four County Bowling at River City Bowl-A-Way from 10:00am to 1:00pm

March 9th Horseback Riding at Dusty Boots in Weston from 5:00pm to 8:00pm March 16th Horseback Riding at Dusty Boots in Weston from 5:00pm to 8:00pm March 23rd Horseback Riding at Dusty Boots in Weston from 5:00pm to 8:00pm March 30th Horseback Riding at Dusty Boots in Weston from 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Her favorite coach is Randy Barnes and been in Special Olympics for 10 years. Christina is involved in bowling, Volleyball, basketball and bocce. Her pick of sport is bocce ball and her favorite Special Olympics memory is going state basketball. Her much-loved place to shop is Wal-Mart and favorite TV show is The Voice with her favorite actor Blake Shelton. Christina lives in Napoleon with her cat Bitsy. If Christina won the lottery she would not leave Napoleon. Christina favorite restaurant is the diner in Napoleon where she like to eat chef salad. Her favorite colors are blue and vellow. Christina favorite movie is Jumanji.





If you have any Special Olympic news and or pictures that you would like to see included in the newsletter please contact me at: kspiess@henrydd.org



Cougars Basketball Results

Special Olympics youth basketball team played on January 7th at Paulding and won 26-20

Team 1 vs Paulding won 59-57 on January 7th

January 18th The Women's team played Wood County at Regionals winning 20-18. January 19th Team 1 played Saturday County at Regionals and won 40-39 Team 1 played again vs Fulton County and was knocked out by 55-30

Bowling Results

Here are the Bowling results of the BGSU bowling tournament held on January 12th at Almar Lanes in BG.

Shannon A. took sliver Linda B. took gold Jennifer C. took sliver Morris G. took gold

Jennifer C. took sliver Morris G. took go Jenny H. took bronze

Jenny H. took bronze Abbie H. took sliver Donna took 4th place Victoria M. took sliver Virginia M. took gold Andrew N. took bronze Mary E. took bronze Bob R. took bronze Kateena took sliver TJ S. took 5th place Bishop took 4th place



Alex E. took sliver in his first competition Brayden took gold Joe K. took 4th place

Congratulations to all Bowlers!!!

Kent's Korner

Who said it

- 1. There may be people that have more talent than you, but there's no excuses for anyone to work harder than you do.
 - A. Kent Spiess
 - B. Derek Jeter
 - C. Michael Jordan
 - D. Lebron James
- 2. "Talent wins games , but teamwork and intelligence wins championships
 - A. Michael Jordan
 - B. Dennis Rodman
 - C. Derek Jeter
 - D. Ezekiel Eilloit
- 3. "It is so easy to be average. It takes a little something to be special. Why be around average"
 - A. Jason Gareett
 - B, Nick Suban
 - C. Keith Urban
 - D. Urban Myer
- 4. "your goals are constantly revised according to circumstances, but your purposes, your real reason for being, that supersedes everything"
 - A. Kenny Smith
 - B. Jim Tressel
 - C. Heather Hogan
 - D. Michael Jackson
- 5. "Working hard is one thing, but working hard with purpose is what separates the good from the great"
 - A. Luke Bryan
 - B. Greg Oden
 - C. Thad Matta
 - D. Kevin Hart

Swimming Results

Here are the from region swim qualifier Lydia Kuehner took first place in girls 50 yard backstroke 1st place in girls 25 yard breaststroke

Ryan Moore 1st place in boys freestyle heat 1

Jacob Heath 1st place in boys freestyle heat 5

Caty Kuehner 6th place in girls 25 yard breaststroke heat 5 4th place in girls 50 yard Backstroke

McCafferty 4th in girls 50 yard freestyle 2nd place girls freestyle heat 3

Kristin Moehle 5th place in girls 25 freestyle

The Mixed 100 yard freestyle relay team consisting of Ryan Moore, Caity McCafferty, Caty Kuehner and Jacob Heath took 1st place with a time of 1:56:59. They shaved off almost 2 full minutes from their previous time.

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