

HOPE Round Up

News from HOPE Services

Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities

December 2021



Community Service Project

What: Join HARC Rec and Self-Advocacy Group

When: Friday, December 10

Time: 6-8 pm

Location: HOPE Services Community Room

Cost: \$3.00 and a dog food item

HOPE News

Upcoming Events for HOPE Services.

The HOPE Services office will be closed on December 23rd and 24th and also on December 30th and 31st. We will return back to office on January 3 2022.

The next Board meeting will be on December 15th at 4:00pm in the activity center.

The Voices of HOPE will be teaming up with HARC and Will be making toys and dog treats for the dog shelter also you need to bring a can dog food with you to the event. We also will be doing bell ringing at Walmart.

Join us as HARC Rec and the Self-Advocacy group work to create toys, decorate shirts, and make treats for our friends at the Henry County Dog Shelter. Plus make a special treat for yourself.

Contact Tiffany Swihart, Randy Barnes, or Renita Kuehner to join in on the fun and to ask questions!

December Birthdays

4th: Blake Stambaugh

5th: Christopher Bitzinger

5th: James Horner

5th: Tyra Knepper

5th: Virginia Michael

5th: Jason Kiser

11th: Jeremiah Sgro

11th: Kathy Bishop

11th: Tiffany Swihart

13th: Ricky Adams

19th: Noela Knepper

20th: Beau Beech

22nd: Ryan Moore

22nd: Michael Wing

23rd: Clarence Rohdy

26th: Chris Barnes

26th: Arlene Cole

28th: Samantha Dorrington

29th Christine Schultz

31st: Jonathon Hench



December Employment

Anniversaries

Shannon Allen @ Arby's - 1 year

Mark Morris @ Sauders - 3 years

Nathanial Vogelsong @ Lowe's - 7 years

We have another exciting way to help
Henry County
Special Olympics:



You're Invited to a
Special Olympics Fundraiser at
Clubhouse Pizza – Holgate

Help us raise money for
Our Cougars!!

**When: December 2
4 – 9 pm**

Where: Clubhouse Pizza – Holgate

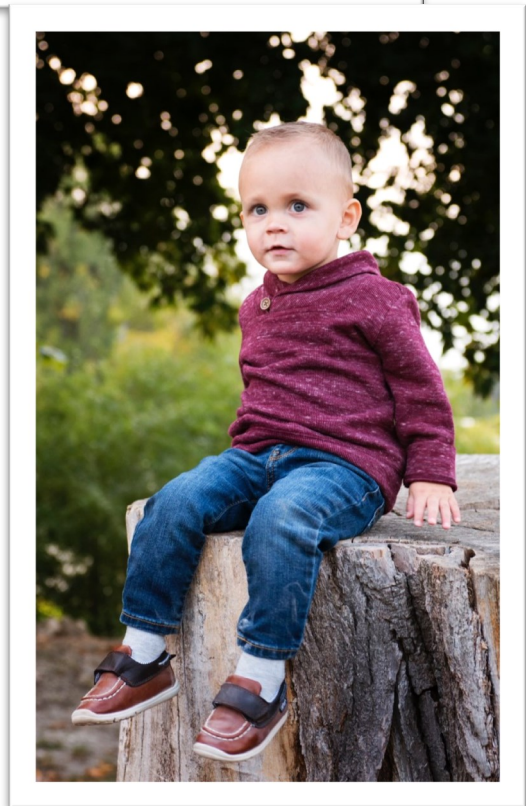
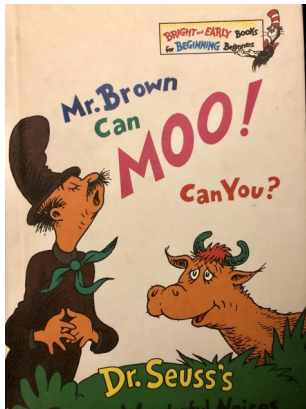
**Basketball Shoot-a-thon
\$1.00 per shot with prizes!**

Meet and greet with Santa! 5-7 pm

**Portion of the sales during this time will
be donated back to the Henry County
Cougars!!**

Early Intervention

Emmett Seemann of Deshler is the son of Kolby and Libby and the big brother of Beckett. Emmett loves playing outside, playing baseball and basketball, swinging, building with his blocks, doing puzzles, going on golf cart rides and walks with his family, and reading books (especially Mr. Brown Can Moo Can You?). Emmett is currently working with an Early Intervention Developmental Specialist to help expand his language and to continue to use longer phrases and sentences in his speech. Emmett is going through the EI transition process right now to see what his next steps will be and how he will continue on to preschool after he turns three.



International Day of Disabled Persons

History

The annual observance of the International Day of Disabled Persons was proclaimed in 1992 by [United Nations General Assembly resolution 47/3](#). It aims to promote the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities in all spheres of society and development, and to increase awareness of the situation of persons with disabilities in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life.

Building on many decades of UN's work in the field of disability, the [Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities \(CRPD\)](#), adopted in 2006, has further advanced the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#) and other international development frameworks, such as the [Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction](#), the [Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action](#), the [New Urban Agenda](#), and the [Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing for Development](#).

The United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy

When launching the [United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy](#) in June 2019, the Secretary-General stated that the United Nations should lead by example and raise the Organization's standards and performance on disability inclusion—across all pillars of work, from headquarters to the field.

The United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy provides the foundation for sustainable and transformative progress on disability inclusion through all pillars of the work of the United Nations. Through the Strategy, the United Nations system reaffirms that the full and complete realization of the human rights of all persons with disabilities is an inalienable, integral and indivisible part of all human rights and fundamental freedoms.

In recognition of this commitment, the Secretary-General submitted in October 2020, [the first comprehensive report](#) on steps taken by the United Nations system to mainstream disability inclusion and implement the Strategy since its launch.

Submitted by Stephanie Jones



This year we have chosen
Henry County Dog Shelter
To be the recipient of
HOPE's Giving Tree

The Henry County dog shelter operates under the Henry County Sheriff's Department and is run by the dog warden department. Stray dogs are picked up and if not reclaimed by an owner after a mandated hold period of three days they are taken care of until they are adopted to the public or transferred to a 501c3 rescue. All dogs are vaccinated, wormed, and given Bordetella.

We plan to have the tree up by November 22nd and will decorate through December 17th.

Below is a list of items currently in need at the Henry County Dog Shelter.

Gently used or new blankets

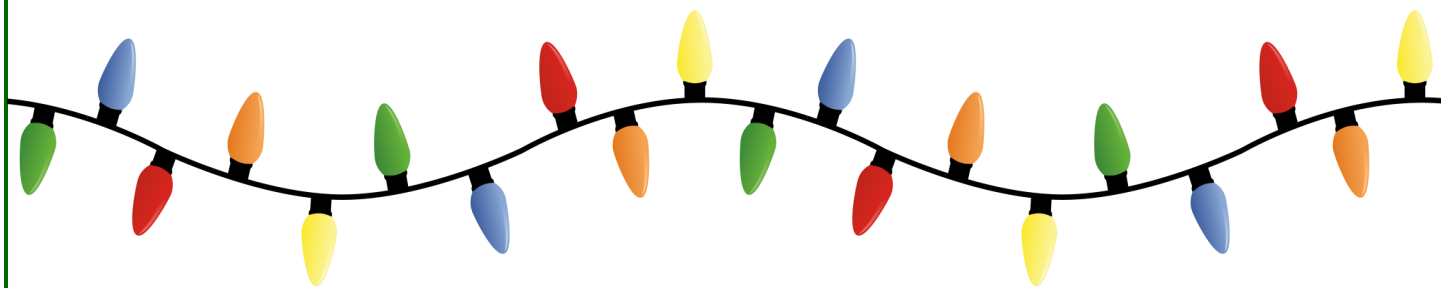
Canned Dog Food

Dog Toys

Dog Chews/Bones

Cleaning Supplies (Bleach, Brooms, Rags etc.)





CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE STORE

Our second-hand Christmas store will be open for **three days** to distribute trees and decorations to families for a free will donation.

The store is located at 1205 N. Scott Street, Napoleon (the former Cut-Rate Tobacco store next to Lassus).



Stores Dates/Hours:

Thursday, December 2—10:00 a.m. to 7:00

p.m. Friday, December 3—10:00 a.m. to 7:00
p.m.

Saturday, December 4—10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This is a community service project of HARC Inc. with all proceeds to assist individuals attending HARC recreation events.

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO BRING IN THEIR
USED DECORATIONS
TO HOPE SERVICES, 135 E. MAUMEE, NAPOLEON FROM
NOW UNTIL DECEMBER 1.
AFTER THIS DATE, THEY CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE
CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE STORE.**

Listen to WNDH 103.1 every Thursday at 12:20 p.m. for more
information about
HOPE Services.

December Special Olympics Newsletter

Basketball season is well underway. This year we do have four teams. They have been busy practicing two times a week in preparation for our upcoming games. We want to extend an invitation to all our friends and neighbors to come out and cheer us on at our home games this season.

Special Olympics Home Game Schedule

Games are at Filling Home gym and are open to the public and **free** to attend. Masks need to be worn in the halls and bathroom, but not required in gym. Come cheer on your teams!

Saturday December 18 – Doors open at 9:30 am, Games start at 10 am. - Henry County Cougars Mens Team 1 vs Wyandot County

Monday, January 3 - 6 pm – Doors open at 5:30 pm. It will be a double game. Henry County Team 2 and School Age vs Defiance County

Wednesday January 5 – Games start at 5:30, doors open at 5:00 pm. It will be a double game. School age and Womens Cougars vs Fulton County

Tuesday January 18 – Doors open at 6:00 pm and game starts at 6:30 pm. Double games with Henry County Womens and Mens Team 1 vs Sandusky.

Wednesday January 19 – Doors open at 5:30 pm and Games start at 6 pm. It will be a double game. School age and Team 1 vs Williams County

Tuesday February 1 – Doors open at 5:30 pm and double game starts at 6 pm. - Henry Team 1 and 2 vs Lucas County

Wednesday February 16 – Doors open at 5:30 pm and Games start at 6 pm. It will be double games. - Henry Team 1 and Women vs Wood County

Check the Henry County Special Olympics & Young Athletes page to watch for any type of delays/updates if there is bad weather.

We are extremely excited to also invite everyone to participate in the **2022 Henry County Special Olympics Polar 5K/Fun Walk on Saturday, February 26, 2022**. The race will be from 9 am – 11 am, with a huge party at Glenwood Park between 8 am – 12 noon. We will have music, crafts, activities, and a silent auction all set up. Come out and party with us and cheer on those braving the cold. Even better, sign up for the Fun Walk (1 mile) and join in on the fun!! Watch for updates and more information at our events/practices, and on our Facebook page – Henry County Special Olympics & Young Athletes.

Thank you for all your help and support!

Zach

Renita

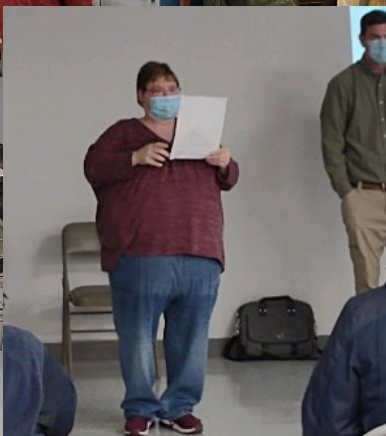


Henry County Special Olympics & Young Athletes

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Human Trafficking

Voices of HOPE held a meeting November 18 with providers, HOPE Services staff and individuals served by the board in attendance. Pat Stephens from Lucas County Board of DD and Steve Mentrek from Bittersweet Farms presented to the group about Human Trafficking and internet safety.



Let's get cooking

Cook Night sponsored by HARC Inc.

This month the group prepared a delicious meal of Baked Spaghetti, Green Beans, Cheesy Garlic Bread, and Fruit Salad with Cool Whip. We also added the new recipes to our cook-books. Hope to see everyone next time!



EXAMPLES OF PEOPLE FIRST LANGUAGE

BY **KATHIE SNOW**

VISIT WWW.DISABILITYISNATURAL.COM TO SEE THE COMPLETE ARTICLE

SAY:	INSTEAD OF:
People with disabilities.	The handicapped or disabled.
He has a cognitive disability/diagnosis.	He's mentally retarded.
She has autism (or a diagnosis of...).	She's autistic.
He has Down syndrome (or a diagnosis of...)	He's Down's; a mongoloid.
She has a learning disability (diagnosis).	She's learning disabled.
He has a physical disability (diagnosis).	He's a quadriplegic/is crippled.
She's of short stature/she's a little person.	She's a dwarf/midget.
He has a mental health condition/diagnosis.	He's emotionally disturbed/mentally ill.
She uses a wheelchair/mobility chair.	She's confined to/is wheelchair bound.
He receives special ed services.	He's in special ed.
She has a developmental delay.	She's developmentally delayed.
Children without disabilities.	Normal or healthy kids.
Communicates with her eyes/device/etc.	Is non-verbal.
Customer	Client, consumer, recipient, etc.
Congenital disability	Birth defect
Brain injury	Brain damaged
Accessible parking, hotel room, etc.	Handicapped parking, hotel room, etc.
She needs . . . or she uses . . .	She has a problem with . . . She has special needs.

Keep thinking—there are many other descriptors we need to change!

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Henry County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Merry Christmas



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.

HOPE Services does not discriminate in provision of services or employment because of disability, race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age.

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