February 2022

HOPE Round Up

News from HOPE Services

Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities



HOPE News

HOPE Services will be closed on February 21st due to observing Presidents Day.

The next Board meeting will be February 16th at 4:00pm in the activity center

Voices Of HOPE

Please help us welcome Amy Rohdy as our Interim Superintendent. Amy is the Executive Director for NOWAC (Northwest Ohio Waiver Administration Council) and we're very grateful for her assistance and guidance through this phase as we search for our new Superintendent.

We will be having a meeting on February 11th from 5:30p.m to 7:00pm at HOPE Services. The speakers will be Christina Clark and LaNae Thompson and they will be taking about what the Voices of HOPE stands for. Any question you may contact Tiffany at HOPE Services 419 599-2892 ext. 250.

Hope everyone can attend.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to assist in the continuation of the programs and services provided by Henry County Board of DD as their board seeks a permanent replacement. I am excited to come along the hard working staff and support them through this transition."

February Birthday

1st: Liberty Kern

3rd: Andrew Ellerbrock

4th: Shannon Lamphiear

4th: Abby Weaver

6th: Conner Hockenberry

6th: Renita Kuehner

10th: Melissa Beman

12th: Michael Davis

15th: Michelle Crouch

16th: Brooke Wilcox

17th: Jerry Rettig

18th: Brayden Kuehner

19th: Robert Bauer

19th: Rhett Kovar

20th: Theodore Schanbele

20th: Kaleb Thomas

23rd: Hunter Carpenter

24th: Ricky Hofacker

26th: Stephanie Jones

28th: Jacob Parry



Employment Anniversaries:

Joann Dennie– 6 years at HOPE Services
Bishop Nieto– 5 years at Walmart in Defiance
Kris Banister– 8 years at HOPE Services
Chris Schultz– 23 years at HOPE Services
Kelly Verbeke– 26 years at HOPE Services



HOPE Services New Board Member



We would like to welcome Amy Rosebrock as our newest Board Member! She has worked in the DD field for many years and has a passion for this field! Amy currently works at Premier Bank in Napoleon.

WELCOME AMBER

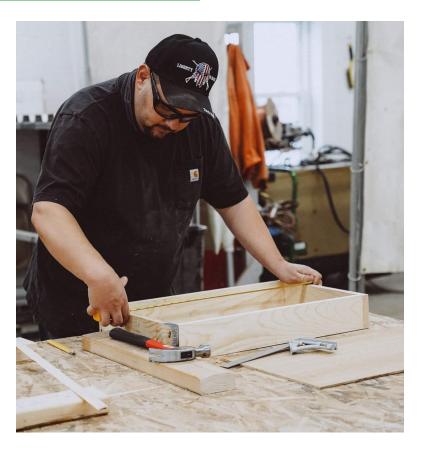


Amber Miller is our agency intern and will be spending this semester with us. Amber is studying Social Work at Northwest State Community College. Amber lives in Napoleon and enjoys watching Netflix with her dogs and being around the people she loves.

The Dream Center

The Dream Center offers a variety of serving opportunities throughout the year and there are multiple ways to get connected. Please follow us on Instagram and Facebook or contact us at the below email address to get the latest information on serve opportunities.

Defiance Dream Center partners with various organizations and businesses to equip and train students with skilled trades training to put them in a position to succeed in the workplace and their personal life. While learning hands on skills the students are also immersed in learning opportunities that develop character, teach life skills and help them understand who they are, what their passions are and how to see past their present circumstances into a very bright future. serve@defiancedreamcenter.org



Workforce



Nate Vogelsong recently graduated from the workforce development construction course at The Dream Center (which is an offshoot of the Experience Church in Defiance). The class is roughly 120 hours (two days per week, September -November) of content that provides skills in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and an OSHA certification. After graduating, Nate shared his experiences with the Hope services Board members and also on the Hope radio spot. He made the checkers/chess board in the second photo.

Just A Day in the Life

Witton Schwiebert is a fun-loving busy boy. Witton and his growing family of six love their hometown of Deshler and all things Patrick Henry, being outside, playing sports, and just spending time together as a family. Witton is currently part of our Early Intervention program and has both virtual and in person home visits with a Developmental Specialist.



Early Intervention





Ages 0-5 years old







The more you know, the more they can learn & grow.

Join us for a **FREE screening** of your little one's growth & development for those whose home address is in a Defiance, Fulton, Henry, or Williams county school district.

SCREENING DATES

February 28, 2022 St. Peter's Lutheran Church 710 Joe E. Brown (SR 18) Holgate, Ohio

> April 4, 2022 Crossroads Church 601 Bonaparte Dr. Napoleon, Ohio

Other dates in Defiance, Fulton or Williams County may be available.

HOW TO GET A SCREENING APPOINTMENT:

Step 1: Complete Ages & Stages questionnaire online (ASQ:SE-2): https://www.asqonline.com/family/f34be3

Step 2: Wait for appointment reservation phone call from area code 567, Archbold, OH, starting January 15



No online access? Call 567-444-4818

Children do not need to attend this event if they will be entering kindergarten or are currently enrolled in early intervention or preschool through your local school district or NwOESC. Screenings last about one hour, focusing on vision, hearing, speech and language, fine and gross motor, physical growth and social emotional.

If a level 2 snow emergency is issued the day of your screening, the screening will be cancelled.

Sponsored by Henry County Early Intervention, Holgate, Liberty Center, Napoleon & Patrick Henry schools, NwOESC, Head Start, Henry County Public Health and WIC.



Special Olympic News

January has brought us from practices into the full basketball season. Covid has unfortunately played a little with the schedules for all the teams in our area. But each of our teams has gotten a chance to play games this month.

On January 3, Mens Team 2 and the school age team played against Defiance County. Team 2 won 42-32 with Keith Vardinakis leading in assists. The school age team fought hard and showed great improvement in



their endurance and offensive skills. They just keep getting stronger.

On January 8, Mens Team 1 played against Wyandot County at home. Team 1 won 58-45.

On January 11, Team 2 played against Wood County at Home. They won 50-



36. Brett Mason led with assists during the game.

On January 15, the two Men's teams and the Lady Cougars traveled to Wood County to play a three-game series. It was a good day for the Cougars. The Lady Cougars won 52-36. Team 1 won 64-48 and continued their undefeated streak. Team 2 also had a victory of 47-30.



Swim season has finally begun. In true Cougar spirit, our swim team is off to a good start. Watch for updates on our Facebook page as the athletes practice hard for upcoming State Winter games in March.

Polar 5K/Fun Walk

The Henry County Special Olympics Polar 5K/Fun Walk and Silent Auction is fast approaching. This will be held on Saturday, February 26. The party/registration starts at 8 am. The 5K starts at 9 am. Fun Walk is at 10 am. If you would like to participate in the 5K either Live or Virtually, cost is \$25.00. The 1-mile Fun Walk is \$20.00. All registrants will receive a race shirt that was designed by Derrick Maassel, as well as a Family car pass to Liberty Center Drive in. There are some other fun goodies in the race bag also.

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Soaring Arts will be out at the 5K exhibiting their art for sale, as well as providing a watercolor salt painting activity. We will also be holding a silent auction from 8 – 11:30 am. Bidding will start for silent auction items online starting Monday, February 21 and finish that day.

We have had some amazing silent auction prizes:

VIP package from African Safari Wildlife Park

VIP Family passes to Urban Air Adventure Park, Toledo

Cinemark movie passes

Family 4 pack of tickets to an Akron Rubber Ducks game

Pair of tickets to the Cleveland Monsters

\$75.00 GC to Sauder Furniture Outlet and so MUCH MORE!!!

Please share this event with your family and friends. The whole community is invited to come out and participate. If you have questions, please contact Zach or Renita. We hope to see you there!!

As always make sure you like our Facebook page, Henry County Special Olympics and Young Athletes. We keep the page updated daily with game information, cancellations, and even throw in some great pictures from the past.

Upcoming February calendar:

2/1 - Team 1 & 2 Home-Lucas County - games start at 6 pm

2/2 – Team 1 – Away game

2/8 - Mens Team 1 – Away – Seneca County

2/12 — Team 2 — Regional Basketball tournament

2/16 - Team 1 and Lady Cougars - Home - Wood County games start at 6 pm

2/21 – Race bag pick up, 5-7 pm HOPE Services Activity Center

2/25 – Race bag pick up, 5-7 pm HOPE Services Activity Center

2/26 – Henry County Special Olympics Polar 5K/Fun Walk and Silent Auction

3/4 - 3/6 - State Winter Games - BG (Watch





for upcoming information from your coaches)







We are excited to announce the

2022 Henry County Special Olympics Polar 5k/Fun Walk

When: Saturday, February 26
Time: Race/Walk starts at 9 am
Where: Glenwood Park
Napoleon, Ohio

Cost: 5K - \$25, Fun Walk \$20
Live and Virtual Options
Cost includes Race shirt and goodie bag
Registration for shirt by 2/10

Interested? - Call 419-601-2372 Or search on runsignup.com

Prizes – Music – Food – Fun Silent Auction 8 am – 11:30 am





HARC Recreation Events

February, 2022

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DATE	EVENT	TIME S	-	LOCATION
Friday, February 4, 2022	Art Night (sock gnomes)	6-8:00pm	5. 5. 0yes	HOPE Activity Center
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2022	Super Bowl Party	6-10:00pm	k yes	Filling Home Community Center
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Monday. February 28.				
	Cook Night	5-7:00pm	yes	HOPE Activity Center

Heart Valve Disease

As many as 11.6 million Americans have heart valve disease and each year around 25,000 people die from the disease. Unfortunately, three out of four people know little to nothing about it.

Heart valve disease is a type of heart disease that involves damage to one or more of the heart's four valves that causes them to not open or close properly and disrupts blood flow.

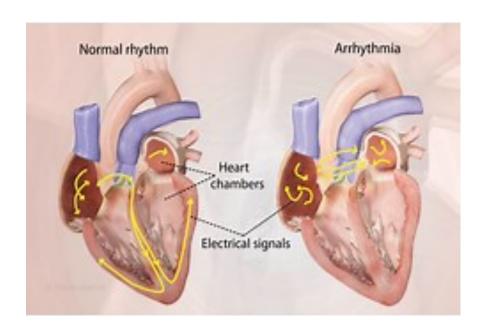
If a valve doesn't close completely, and allows blood to leak backwards, it's called regurgitation or insufficiency and may be referred to as a leaky valve. This is called Stenosis. A valve may also fail to open due to an obstruction.

Each of the four valves can have regurgitation or stenosis or both. The most common types of valve diseases are mitral regurgitation, mitral stenosis, aortic regurgitation and aortic stenosis.

Without treatment, the damage can lead to an arrhythmia (a slow or fast heart beat), stroke, congestive heart failure, other heart diseases or even death.

Symptoms:

- *lightheaded, faint or dizzy
- *irregular heart beat or chest pain
- *shortness of breath



every Thursday at 12:20 p.m. for more information about HOPE Services.

Contact Us

www.henrydd.org

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Family Support Services	419-599-2892
Transportation	419-592-8726
Special Olympics	419-591-6798
HARC Recreation	419-591-6798
Volunteer Opportunities	419-599-2892



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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