

HOPE Round Up

May 2022

News from HOPE Services

Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities



Mel Dachenhaus Receives the 2022 Stand Up For Children Award

May Events at HOPE Services.

Henry County Board of DD Meeting
May 25th at HOPE Services at 4:00 pm.

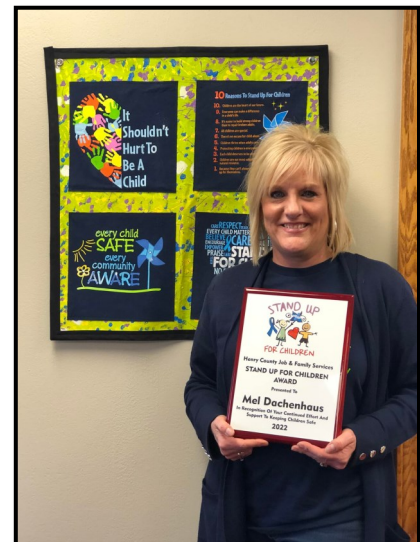
The HOPE Services office will be closing
May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.



As a result of her hard work, we want to congratulate Mel on this outstanding achievement. Mel began her career as a job coach in 1999 with HOPE Services, transitioning to her current Service and Support Administrator position in 2002.

Throughout her 23 years of service Mel has been a staunch advocate for all people served by the board, tirelessly working to provide them with quality services everyday. Her passion for her work has been apparent since her first day. She has proven to be a strong leader on and off her caseloads. In her current position of Transition Service and Support Administrator, Mel works hard to ensure a smooth transition for youth from school to adulthood, providing them and their families with tools and resources that helps lead to successes that last a lifetime. Her unending dedication has instilled faith from families in our board and belief in the future our youth.

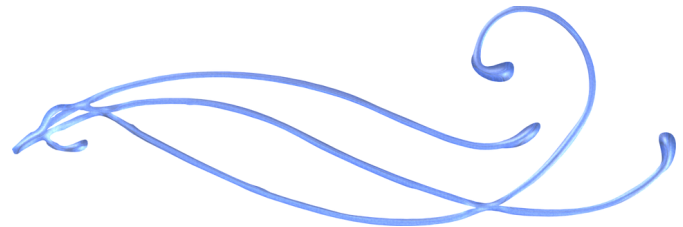
Congratulations on this much deserved award.



We Are Celebrating

May Birthdays

- 3rd Stephani Arnette
- 7th Joan Kerwin
- 9th Derrick Maassel
- 12th Kristin Willard
- 12th Matthew Wright
- 16th Amanda Grant
- 18th Tito Martinez
- 20th Jennifer Jenkins
- 22nd Steven Burkholder
- 26th Cadince Ramirez
- 27th Britany Cole
- 27th Jordan Guerrette
- 28th Maysin Salinas



May Anniversaries

- Jacob Heath - 2 years at Walmart
- Juan Delgado - 3 years at McDonald's
- Matt Hines - 4 years at Kroger
- Cassandra Seesholtz - 5 years at HOPE Services
- Stephanie Jones - 7 years at HOPE Services
- Jody Farber - 7 years at HOPE Services
- Rebecca Plummer - 9 years at McDonald's
- Chris Scarberry - 10 years at McDonalds
- Bethany Mathers - 16 years at Chief
- Theresa Myles - 19 years at HOPE Services



May is Mental Health Awareness Month

In researching this topic, mental health is a general term for the range of illnesses that it encompasses. Unfortunately, mental health issues can make it difficult for someone to cope with work, relationships and other demands and stress can make mental issues worse, but most people can manage this with medication, counseling or both.

Anxiety disorders

Anxiety disorders is a group of mental health disorders that includes generalized anxiety disorders, social phobias, fear of tight spaces, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). If left untreated, anxiety disorders can lead to significant impairment on people's daily lives.

Behavioral and emotional disorders in children

Common behavior disorders in children include Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD), Conduct Disorder (CD), and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

Bipolar disorder

Bipolar disorder is a type of mood disorder, previously referred to as 'manic depression'. A person with bipolar disorder experiences episodes of mania (elation) and depression. This person may or may not experience psychotic symptoms. The exact cause is unknown, but a genetic predisposition has been clearly established.

Depression

Depression is a mood disorder characterized by low mood, loss of interest and enjoyment, and reduced energy. It is not just feeling sad. There are different types and symptoms of depression, as well as varying levels of severity and depression.

Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder

Obsessive compulsive disorder is an anxiety disorder. Obsessions are recurrent thoughts, images or impulses that are intrusive and unwanted.

Post-traumatic Stress Disorder

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is a mental health condition that can develop as a response to people who have experienced any traumatic event.

-Stephanie Jones

Early Intervention



Meet
Grayson



Grayson, age 2, is the son of Alyssia and Jose. He lives in Holgate with his parents, big brothers Christopher and Luis, and newborn sister, Rory. He has been receiving Early Intervention supports with Dawn McBride, Developmental Specialist, as his Primary Service Provider since April 2022. Grayson loves to color and paint with his Mom and siblings, so we are working on using words while he is coloring or painting. Grayson's parents shared that their favorite part of EI is the help and support they have received, and the strategies to encourage his communication to continue to grow .



Community Employment Spotlight

Meet Jacob Parry. Jacob cleans the lobby 4 days a week at Defiance's Burger King. Jacob started at Burger King in November of 2020. Jacob's coworkers and managers enjoy having him there to work due to his great cleaning skills. Jacob has earned the nickname Speedy while at work due to his quick work. Jacob's favorite part of work is getting to socialize with customers and his free meal for all his hard work. Jacob wanted to give a huge shout out to all the Job Coaches he has worked with in helping him to be community employed. When Speedy isn't working he is enjoying writing, listening to music, and watching any Disney Marvel Movie. Jacob enjoys his community employment and his favorite regulars who comes in almost everyday just to see him.



Driver's Permit Class

Are you interested in working towards your driver's license, but need help obtaining your permit? We will begin offering a driver's permit class to study for the permit test. This class will cover the driving laws, signs, and other pertinent information.

To sign up for an upcoming class contact Melinda Camp at 419-599-2892.

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

Jennifer's Journey



It was spring 1996 when Jennifer received her certificate of completion from Four County Career Center in Administrative Secretarial Services and began her employment journey. Jennifer quickly put the skills she learned at Four County to good use when she began working at Northwest Ohio Community Action Commission. Unfortunately, this position was not able to be a long-term position and Jennifer began her job search in the fall of 1996. Jennifer knew that she wanted to continue to use the skills she learned at Four County and work in an office setting. The job search was not always easy and at times could become trying, but Jennifer never gave up! She remained patient and was always willing to do her part. After submitting countless applications and resumes to various positions, Jennifer received an interview for a copy room clerk at Northwest State Community College. She was nervous, extremely nervous but did an excellent job at the interview. Although Jennifer was not hired, she did receive a second interview that led to a job offer that she accepted. Jennifer started her part time position in April 1997. She had a lot of job responsibilities such as answering the phone, taking messages, operating the copier, postage machine, book binder, incoming and outgoing mail, and UPS just to name a few.

Back then the copier was HUGE (as seen on the top right) and she required some modifications to allow her independence. Jennifer worked with BVR and her job coach for the needed modifications.

Today Jennifer continues to thrive. She is a hard worker and LOVES her job and the relationships she has formed with her coworkers. Jennifer also recently celebrated her 25th Anniversary! Congratulations Jennifer!!



Congratulations!



COMMUNITY DAY WITH



SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022

10:30 AM - 9:30 PM

GRAB LUNCH



GRAB DINNER



GRAB A SNACK

10% OF EACH SALE WILL BE DONATED
TO THE LOCAL ATHLETES.

CALL HAWKS PIZZA
AT 419-599-1946 OR
DRIVE THRU



Special Olympic News

May 2022

We want to thank everyone about the absolutely awesome 2022 Homecoming held on March 25. Our basketball expo between the Henry County Cougars and the employees/board members of HOPE Services and HARC was enjoyed by all. It was great to be able to get back together after taking a couple years off due to Covid. All the support made this event a great success.

The warmer weather has been teasing us as we almost begun our full Spring Sports schedule. This year we will be having track & field, cycling, bocce, tennis, cheerleading, volleyball, esports, horseback, and golf. Many of the sports have been inside since the weather has not always been cooperative. But we are finally getting to stretch our paws outside! Make sure to check our Facebook page for possible location changes or cancellations for certain sports. As always, the coaches will always text team members of these changes.

Our volleyball season is underway, and May brings our very first games. Our games are held at the Filling Home Gym and are open to the public. We do not charge admission and will have a snack bar available. Please bring a mask, as they are required in the hallways of the building, just not in the gymnasium.

Here is the upcoming Volleyball schedule:

Wednesday, May 4th – Home - Henry County Vs. Wood County @ the Filling Home – Game starts at 6 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, May 10th – Away - Henry County vs. Sandusky – Bus leaves at 4:30 pm

Saturday, May 14th – Home – Henry County Vs Sandusky and Crawford County Games start at 10 am – Doors open at 9:30 am

Tuesday, May 17th – Away – Henry County Vs. Lucas County – Bus leaves at 4:45 pm

Wednesday, May 25th – Away – Henry County Vs. Fulton County – Bus leaves at 5:15 pm

Wednesday, June 1st – Away – Henry County Vs. Wood County – Bus leaves at 5:00 pm

Wednesday, June 8th – Home – Henry County Vs. Lucas County – Games start at 6 pm – Doors open at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, June 14th – Home – Henry County Vs. Fulton County – Games start at 6 pm – doors open at 5:30 pm

We will be competing in Regional Games on Sunday, May 1st. Watch our Facebook page for score updates and pictures from that day.

Our latest sport added to the roster is Esports. We are very excited to be blazing a new trail with this new sport. If you are interested in competing in Esports, please contact Zach or Renita. Teams are forming this summer for fall competition.

Henry County Special Olympics is very grateful for all the support we receive from our community. We want to give back, so we will be having a team at the Henry County Relay for Life on Friday, June 17th. If you are interested in walking with our team between 5 pm – 11 pm, please contact Zach or Renita. There will be a link on our Facebook page if you would like to donate to the American Cancer Society through our Team.

Don't forget to Like our Facebook Page – Henry County Special Olympics & Young Athletes. This page stays current on special events, games/practices, and accomplishments of our athletes.

From our Athletes and Coaches, have a warm and wonderful Spring!!

Coach Zach

Coach Renita



**Henry County Special
Olympics & Young Athletes**

@HenryCountySOCougars · Community



HARC Recreation Events

May/June/July 2022

Contact Randy Barnes at 419-591-6798 or 419-599-2892 to sign up **ONE WEEK prior to the event**

DATE	EVENT	TIME	COST	Sign up re-quired	LOCATION
Saturday, May 7, 2022	Garden Club	1:00-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Wednesday, May 11, 2022	BINGO	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Thursday, May 19, 2022	ARC Cedar Point Day	8:00am-8:00pm	\$42.00	yes	Cedar Point
Friday, May 20, 2022	Craft Night	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Saturday, May 21, 2022	Garden Club	1:00-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Monday, May 23, 2022	Cook Night	5:00-7:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Friday, May 27, 2022	Mudhens game	5-10:00pm	\$21.00	yes	5th. 3rd. Field Toledo
Saturday, June 4, 2022	Garden Club	1-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Wednesday, June 1, 2022	BINGO	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Friday, June 17, 2022	Art Night	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Saturday, June 18, 2022	Detroit Tigers vs. Texas Rangers	4-10:30 pm	\$20.00	yes	Detroit, MI
Saturday, June 18, 2022	Garden Club	1-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Monday, June 20, 2022	Cook Night	5:00-7:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Tuesday, June 21, 2022	Bowl Lock In	4:00-10:00pm	\$5.00	yes	River City Bowl A Way
Saturday, July 2, 2022	Garden Club	1-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Saturday, July 9, 2022	Eat out and go to a Movie	12:00-6:00pm	\$25.00	yes	The Barn & Skye Cinema
Friday, July 15, 2022	Outdoor Game Night	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Saturday, July 16, 2022	Garden Club	1-3:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Friday, July 22, 2022	Craft Night	6-8:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Monday, July 25, 2022	Cook Night	5-7:00pm	\$5.00	yes	HOPE Activity Center
Sunday, July 31, 2022	Mudhens game	12:30-6:00pm	\$21.00	yes	5th. 3rd. Field Toledo

Special Olympic News



Our Lady Cougars Basketball team competed in Division 2 basketball. They lost their first game, but not without a fight. In the end they placed 3rd in Division 2.

We want to thank everyone who made Good Luck cards for our athletes. We handed them out before events. These were a hit and your wishes brought lots of smiles to faces!

Our cheerleading squad led by Coach Amanda Barnes earned 1st place in Non-mount tumble division





HENRY COUNTY FARM BUREAU
PRESENTS

Shine
IN THE
Show Ring

A LIVESTOCK SHOWMANSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR
INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 - 6 pm
HENRY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

MENTOR APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 1
SHOWMAN APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE MAY 1
MENTOR/SHOWMAN PAIRINGS ANNOUNCED JUNE 15

FOR MORE DETAILS :
HENRY COUNTY FARM BUREAU
419-445-0723
BAILEY.ELCHINGER@GMAIL.COM
STACY.ELCHINGER@GMAIL.COM

This event is open to ages five to adult. You will be paired with a Mentor from 4-H. You will have several opportunities to work with the animal of your choice prior to showing. The choice of animals are rabbits, calves, sheep, pigs, and goats. The Farm Bureau and HOPE Services are excited for this opportunity. Registration forms can be picked up at the HOPE Services office or contact Tiffany Swihart at 419-599-2892 for any questions.

Contact Us

www.henrydd.org

Administration Office	419-599-2892
Superintendent	419-599-2892
Early Intervention and	
Employment Services	419-599-2892
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

Seeing Potential – Inspiring Opportunities



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.

Napoleon, OH 43545

135 E. Maumee

