

HOPE Round Up

News from HOPE Services

Seeing Potential ~ Inspiring Opportunities

July 2022

Happy 4th of JULY



Let Freedom Ring...

Ground Breaking



HOPE News

HOPE Services held a groundbreaking ceremony on June 15th for our building addition and renovations. We would like to thank our Board members, Commissioners, Mel Lanzer Company, Technicon Design Group and the community for all of the support.

The project is estimated to take 8-10 months and we are planning an open house when it is finished!

The HOPE Services office will be closed on Monday July 4th due to the Fourth of July.

The next Board meeting will be held on July 20th at 4:00p.m in the Activity Center.

The Voices of HOPE will be having a meeting on July 8th. Mac Clark will be here to demonstrate and teach some basic self-defense moves. The meeting will be at the Filling Home Gym on N-160, SR 108. Napoleon Ohio 43545 from 5:30-7:30pm. For more information contact Tiffany Swihart at (419) 599-2892. For Transportation, Contact: (419) 592-8726 by July 5th.



We Are Celebrating

July Birthdays

8th: Christina Clark

8th: Jennifer Hartford

8th: Amber Pursel

12th: Michael Brubaker

16th: John Stout, Jr.

16th: Kelly Verbeke

17th: Matthew Hines

17th: Lydia Knepper

17th: Mark Morris

17th: Andrew Norden

17th: Eric Smith

19th: Theresa Myles

19th: Dana Hockenberry

20th: Gary Cody

22nd: Tyler Goshe

26th: Sue Hartsworm

26th: Lawrence Junge

27th: Caitlyn McCafferty

30th: Gavin Goodman

31st: Hunter Rittenhouse



July Anniversaries

Jeremiah Sgro at McDonald's – 8 years

Brian Conroy at Dollar General - 2 years

Kelsey Wayne at Clubhouse Pizza – 2 years

Happy
Birthday



HOPE's Hot Dog and Brats Bash was held June 10th. The day was beautiful and the turn-out was wonderful. Thank you to everyone that came out to get some lunch and for everyone that assisted with setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Over \$1,300 was raised which went to HARC Rec. to assist with adult and youth camps this summer.





Meet Zachary, a hardworking and fun-loving individual who recently wrapped up his high school career at Wauseon High School. During Zachary's senior year he participated in several community based vocational training sites. This allowed Zachary to learn various job skills and experience different job tasks to identify his likes and dislikes. The training took place in settings such as Goodwill, Chief Supermarket and Fulton Manor. Zachary's favorite was at Pizza Hut where he was responsible for panning the pizza dough. Zachary's production at this site was phenomenal and it impressed the management staff. Zachary loved his job tasks and looked forward to "going to work." After completing the training at Pizza Hut in March, Zachary pursued a permanent position with support from school and HOPE staff and began working part time in April while finishing his academic career. Zachary received on-the-job supports from Supported Employment until he graduated in May. He now receives on-going supports from COREe. In addition to his part-time position at Pizza Hut, Zachary also works five days per week at Triangular Processing Inc. In his spare time, Zachary enjoys watching Disney movies, swimming, spending time with his family/friends and shopping at Goodwill. Congratulations Zachary!



Meet Abigail



Abbie is 21 months old. She enjoys playing in her play kitchen set and sharing pretend food with her parents and her big brother, Charlie. She will play pretend with her baby dolls feeding them and taking care of them. Abbie also enjoys looking at books. She has been enrolled in HOPE Services Early Intervention Program for more than a year. Currently, she is working with Kristi Smith, Speech language pathologist. Abbie is saying words like "mommy," "daddy," "buh buh," "yeah," "no," "help me," and "want more." She is beginning to use words to request her favorite foods and activities, she is starting to count, and she will sing songs with her family. Abigail's family is helping Abigail expand on her expressive language skills by talking about what she is doing, modeling short sentences and waiting to allow Abigail time to imitate words and phrases, and they are adding words on to what she says to expand her phrase

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



Relay for Life 2022



Let's get cooking



Cook Night sponsored by HARC Inc.



Love to see new faces at Cook Night! This month we had another great meal of Burrito Bake, Spanish Rice and Berry Trifle. The meal was prepared by Linda, Jenny, Brayden, Derrick, and Kateena. We also added the new recipes to our cookbooks. Hope to see everyone next month!



HARC REC SCHEDULE JULY

HARC Recreation Events

July 2022

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

Sign up

required LOCATION

DATE	EVENT	TIME	COST	Sign up required	LOCATION
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

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"Down's Syndrome"

Down's Syndrome is a genetic disorder caused when abnormal cell division results in an extra full or partial copy of chromosome 21. This extra genetic material causes the developmental changes and physical features.

About 95% of the time, Down Syndrome is caused by Trisomy 21, which means that the person has 3 copies of chromosome 21 instead of the usual 2 copies.

Mosaic Down Syndrome is a rare form of Down Syndrome, where a person has some cells with an extra copy of chromosome 21, which is caused by abnormal cell division.

Translocation Down's Syndrome occurs when a portion of chromosome 21 becomes attached onto another chromosome.

-submitted by Stephanie Jones

Special Olympic News

Special Olympics information for July 2022 Newsletter

The Cougars have been very busy through the month of June. We have played several volleyball games. The Modified team finished their season 5-2, and the Traditional team finished with 5-2. Our Traditional volleyball team headed to State Summer Games June 24-26.

Our Traditional team members that went to state games are Tito Martinez, Chad Fritz, Jeremiah Sgro, Domenik Neumeier, Jacob Heath, Keith Vardinakis, Skylar Miller, Lydia Knepper, and Tyra Knepper. This year though we also had a comeback of previous team members Job Knepper and Anthony Delgado.

All the Cougars volleyball team members have had a great season and have improved greatly on their skills. The modified team has improved so much on their serving skills that every single team member scored this season! Way to go Cougars!! Keep up that hard work!

The Cougars Esports team has been working on new games and preparing for their first tournament play in July. Our Cougars Esports team is our latest sport to be added to the Henry County schedule. We meet weekly and work on teamwork and strategy building through interactive video game play. Currently the team has been playing Halo Infinite, Rocket League, and Overwatch. They are very excited to start playing in mini tournaments. Esports is a Unified program, so we will be competing with non-Special Olympic teams.

Unfortunately, the heat and severe weather brought an early end to our Cycling season. We had some very dedicated cyclists. They cycled through cold and heat. Several were preparing for the 5-mile and 3-mile ride. Our 2022 Cycling Team was Cody Steen, Derrick Maassel, Jenny Hartford, Jessica Clapp, Caty Kuehner, Cadence Ramirez, Lydia Kuehner, and Rhett Kovar.

On June 17, we participated in the Relay for Life at Henry County Fairgrounds. The theme that was chosen was from the book "Even Superheroes Have Bad Days". We set up the Superhero Tactical Challenge. Our athletes helped the participants run through the course. If they made it to the end, they earned a Superhero prize. We stayed very busy with our Tactical challenge and participating in the fun activities sponsored by the Relay for Life committee. Our Cougar Power team placed 2nd in the Frozen t-shirt thawing contest. They also performed in the lip sync karaoke, as well as tried to collect the items for the Human Scavenger Hunt. Our team raised \$163.00. We can't wait until next year.

Special Olympic News

Softball and soccer seasons are fast approaching. If you are interested in participating in either of these sports, please contact Zach or Renita right away. Practices will be starting the week of July 18.

The weekend of June 24 – 26, 2022 we attended Ohio State Summer Games. The traditional volleyball, bocce, track & field teams, and bowlers attended this year. The traditional team is listed above, and here are the other athletes that attended with us:

Track and Field: Kathy Michael, Shelby Meyer, Virginia Michael, Victoria Michael

Bocce: Josh Babcock and Brayden Kuehner

Bowling: Linda Baser and Jessica Clapp

We have provided the placings, photos, and videos of the Cougars on the Prowl at Summer State Games on our official Facebook page – Henry County Special Olympics & Young Athletes. As always “Like” that page for the latest and greatest feats of our Cougars.

Hope everyone is staying cool this summer and living their best lives!

Coach Zach

Coach Renita



Traditional Volleyball

Lydia Knepper

Tito Martinez

Jacob Heath

Domenik Neumeier

Jeremiah Sgro

Keith Vardinakis

Special Olympics News



Modified Volleyball

Robbie Bauer
Juan Delgado,
Chad Fritz
Caitlin McCafferty
Adrienne Gerken
Lydia Kuehner



eSports in Action



**HENRY COUNTY
SPECIAL OLYMPICS
WALKING GROUP**



**COME JOIN US ON OUR
VENTURE TO GET FIT AND
STAY HEALTHY.**

WHEN: MONDAYS STARTING JUNE 27

TIME: 5 - 6:30 PM

WHERE: OAKWOOD PARK

CONTACT RENITA WITH QUESTIONS

419-599-2892



HARC Bus Trip

Coming
Oct. 2-7
2023
Virginia
Beach

Visit Colonial Williamsburg (Merchant Square)

Virginia Beach Boardwalk

Dinner Cruise on the “Spirit of Norfolk”

Nauticus (Hampton Roads Naval Museum)

Battleship Wisconsin

Mariners’ Museum and Park

Virginia Beach Aquarium & Marine Science Center

Shop, Shop, Shop



Oct. 2-7

6 days/ 5 nights

\$765 per person

(Scholarships available)

Virginia Beach,

Virginia

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Randy at:

419-591-6798

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Special Olympics	419-260-2176
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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