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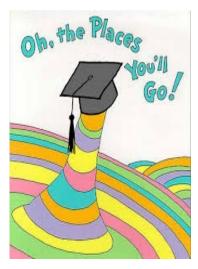
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Transition E-Newsletter



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Graduation

This past month has been filled with graduation open houses as many high school students celebrate their accomplishments in finishing high school. Many of these young people are preparing for the next step, such as attending college in the fall or looking for a full-time job. For any young adult, this is a time of transition and, if honest, most would admit that this is both exciting and scary. As I reflect on this, I am reminded that for students with a disability this can be a time of uncertainty and transition. If your son/daughter has recently graduated or exited high school, may I offer a few suggestions?

If a student with disability is college bound, please consult with the disability services department at that college to discuss possible accommodations that may be available to help your child succeed in this new environment. For more information, peruse this website: http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ ocr/transition.html. If your child is not ready for a traditional college experience but is

traditional college experience but is interested in attending college, contact the HALO Program at Heartland Community College for more information about that program at (309) Services through Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS). Once DRS determines eligibility, they will fund an adult service agency, such as Marcfirst to provide a job coach to assist with filling out applications, interview preparedness and then on-site job coaching. Please contact Bevin Cowie, Director of Marcfirst's Supported Employment Department, at (309) 451-888ext291 or Department of Rehabilitation Services at (309) 662-1347 for more information. Many parents of a young adult with a disability are concerned that their child will have limited social contact with peers once they have completed high school. There are many opportunities available with SOAR (309) 434-2260, Miracle League Baseball (309) 451-4500 and the Friendsfirst program through Marcfirst. For more information about Friendsfirst please contact Emily Kull or Kristi Greenfield at (309) 451-8888ext 265 or

224.

What if your son/daughter is

diagnosed disability they may be

eligible for Supported Employment

seeking employment? If a person has a

Autism Society of McLean County www.autismmclean.org

309.824.4555

Takoda Camp & Camp Pathfinder Registration Open

When: 6/9/2014 - 6/12/2014, 9:00am - 3:00pm and

Friday, 6/13/2014, 9:00am - 12:00pm Where: Timber Pointe Outdoor Center Register: <u>http://autismmclean.org/content/summer-camp-programs</u> Camp Takoda Cost: \$225 for members and \$250 for non-members Camp Pathfinder Cost: \$200 Questions Contact: Jill Enchelmayer jenchelmayer@me.com

Ride on for Autism & Poker Run – Save the Date and Join

When: June 21st

10:00 am - Leave at 12:00 Where: Chuck's Harley Davidson 2027 Ireland Grove Rd, Bloomington, IL 61704 Why: Proceeds Benefit ASMC

Fun for the whole family – you don't need to ride a motorcycle to join in the ride and poker run!

Join ASMC

We have a new membership sign up, if you're membership is expired or you haven't joined ASMC, please view the benefits of being a member and consider joining us. Events like movies and Children's Discovery Museum are often free for our members.

Bloomington Area Summer

Day Camps & Programs

This information was compiled by PATH. For more information please click on 2014 Summer Programs at their website: <u>http://www.pathcrisis.org/community-resources/path-o-gram-more/</u>.

Bloomington Public Library Summer Reading Program begins June 2 - This year's Summer Reading theme is *Paws to Read*, and the Library's many animal-related programs will – as always – be offered absolutely free!

- Registration: June 2-July 20 (registration may be completed online or in person at the Library or on the Bookmobile)

- Prize pickup: June 16-August 3

- Summer Reading Program is for people of all ages – 0-105!

End of Summer Reading Party - Don't forget to join us from 10-noon on August 9 for our End of Summer Reading Party at the Library. We'll have carnival games, a petting zoo, and more.

The Normal Public Library sponsors SUMMER READING PROGRAMS for all ages. Paw to Read! at the Normal Public Library **May 28 through August 11 -** Registration begins May 28 and runs through the whole program. Join anytime!

Teen Reading Program - The TEEN reading program is for students who have completed sixth through twelfth grade. Free paperback books are earned as participants reach reading goals. There are special prizes for readers who complete the program. In addition, several teen activities will be held throughout the summer.

A.R.K.S. - Adults Reading Kids' Stuff is a reading program for adults ages eighteen and over. Read children's books and win prizes along with the kids.

For more information contact the Children's Department at 454-4668, the Teen Department at 452 -1757, or visit the library website at <u>www.normalpl.org</u>.

Boys & Girls Club -

Contact: Jenny Hall at 829-3034

Camp held at Boys & Girls Club, 615 W. Illinois, Blm.,

Ages 13-18: Monday – Thursday 1:30-5:00, Friday 5:00 – 9:30; Transportation included to most Bloomington area housing neighborhoods. Program is FREE.

Limited financial assistance is available where applicable. For more details or to download application, see <u>www.bgcb-n.org</u>.

Girl Scouts of Central Illinois Summer Opportunities - Registration for Girl Scouts of Central Illinois summer camp has begun! There are awesome summer opportunities for ALL girls entering grades Kindergarten through 12^{th.} You don't have to be a Girl Scout to attend.

Girl Scouts of Central Illinois offers sessions for every level of camper and all kinds of interests, including day camp, resident camp, and weekend and family events. Sessions include Canoes and Kayaks, Sweet Chefs, Archers and Anchors, and much more! Find a camp session or family outing that's right for you! You may access the full Summer Activities Guide and all registration forms on our website at <u>www.girlscouts-gsci.org</u> or call us at 877-231-1446. Financial assistance is availa-

Heartland Community College YEP – Youth Enrichment Program – HCC Community Education, 268-8160

Class times, number of sessions, and course fees vary. Registration has begun for students in elementary - high school. Community Education at Heartland Community College is offering over 100 classes for youth with topics that include: Computers, Arts & Crafts, Performing Arts, Life Skills, Academic Enrichment, Space & Science, Sports Camps, Horseback Riding and more! Pre-registration is required for all programs. Financial assistance is available to qualified individuals. Call Community Education at (309) 268-8160 for a schedule and to register for programs. Online registration and a list of programs are available at <u>www.heartland.edu/communityEd</u>.

ISU College for Youth, Contact: ISU Conference Services, 438-2160

A wide variety of summer camp opportunities are available; visit <u>http://cfy.illinoisstate.edu/</u>

For pre-schoolers (4 y/o by Sept 1) through 9^{th} grade. Select classes by the grade level your child will be entering in the fall. Two-week sessions: June 16^{th} - June 27^{th} and July 7^{th} - 18^{th} - M-F, 9:00 am - 1:45 pm (class times vary)

\$120/child/class unless otherwise noted. A limited number of \$60 scholarships are available for students needing financial assistance (one per family). Requests for scholarships must be made by May 20.

S.O.A.R. (Special Opportunities Available in Recreation)

Contact: Maggie Rutenbeck or Nicole Kohler: 434-2260 or <u>mrutenbeck@cityblm.org</u> or <u>nkohler@cityblm.org</u>

Specialized, specific recreation programs for children with disabilities.

For ages 4 to 21 (can vary by program). June 16 - July 25; Monday through Friday; hours vary.

May register for one, several, or all. Registration for each program is separate and sites vary daily. Scholarships and payment plans available (fees vary greatly by program). For specific summer program information visit <u>www.cityblm.org/soar</u>, pull down the SOAR tab and click SOAR brochure.

2014 Unity Summer Enrichment Camps

Registration begins May 27, 2014, 9:00am – 5:00pm or by appointment.

Date	Camp	<u>Ages</u>	<u>Price</u>
June 18-20	Boot Camp - Conquer challenges & build confidence as you develop knowledge of how YOUR fitness & nutrition affects the world around you with high-energy, active games & programs. Service	Entering Grades 7-12	\$5/youth
June 28-30	Outdoor Overnight at Weldon Springs Park (near Clinton, IL) - Two nights in a tent may be unfamiliar to you. Here, you'll build up those around you as you build up yourself.	Entering Grades 7-12	\$15/youth
July 21-25	Senior Camp LifeSaver - Learn self-defense & first aid & explore the careers of every-day heroes around us—you just might save a life. Service project day on Wednesday!	Entering grades 7-12	\$10/youth

Camps and camp registration are held at the Unity Community Center, 632 Orlando Ave., Normal

Camps run from 10:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. on days indicated. Lunch included. Registration begins May 27, 2014, 9am-5pm, or by appointment. Spot will be held with completed registration and payment.

For more information contact: UCC staff @ 862-4041

District 87 sponsors the **Summer Food Service Program** and offers free meals to ANYONE 18 or under at the following sites: The Summer Food Service Program is available to all eligible children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

Location	Dates of Operation	Breakfast	Lunch	Exceptions
Boys & Girls Club				· ·
1615 W. Illinois	June 9 th thru August 15 th , weekdays	8:30 to 9:00 a.m.	11:30 am to 12:30 pm	Closed July 4 th
Bloomington				
Irving School				
602 W. Jackson	June 16 th thru August 8 th , weekdays		11:30 am to 12:30 pm	Closed July 4^{th}
Bloomington				
Second Presbyterian Church				Closed July 4 th
313 N. East St.	June 16 th thru August 8 th , weekdays		11:30 am to 12:30 pm	Closed July 4
Bloomington				
Sheridan School	June 16 th thru August 8 th ,			
1403 W. Walnut			11:30 am to	Closed July 4 th
Bloomington	weekdays		12:30 pm	
Schools open for breakfast d	uring summer education	al programs		
Bloomington Junior High				
901 N. Colton, Bloomington	June 9 th to July 3 rd	8:30 to 9:00 a.m.		
Summer school	weekdays	u		
Bent School				
904 N. Roosevelt Ave	July 21 st to August 14 th weekdays	8:30 to 9:00 a.m.		
Bloomington, Early Start	5			
Irving School				
602 W. Jackson,	July 21st to August 14th	9:00 to 9:30 a.m.	11:30 am to	
,	weekdays	9.00 to 9.30 a.m.	12:30 pm	
Bloomington, Early Start Sheridan School				
1403 W. Walnut	July 21st to August 14 th	8:30 to 9:00a.m.	11:30 am to	
	weekdays		12:30 pm	
Bloomington, Early Start Stevenson School				
	July 21st to August 14th	8:30 to 9:00	11:30 am to	
2106 Arrowhead Dr.	weekdays	a.m.	12:30 pm	
Bloomington – Early Start				
BHS				
1202 E. Locust Street	July 7 th -18 th	8:30 to 9:00		
		a.m.		
Bloomington - Raider 101	1			1



Next Event: Friday, June 20, 214 Saturday, June 21, 2014 Time: 6:00 a.m. Each Day Location: Peoria Civic Center 201 SW Jefferson Ave. Peoria, IL 61602

Services Offered: All ages will be seen, children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.

The main goal of MOM is to relieve pain and eliminate infection. Dental professionals will be providing cleanings, fillings, extractions and limited partials. We do not provide dentures, implants, bridges, crowns or braces.

For further information:

Please visit the official website www.isds.org/isdsfoundation/imom.asp



iCan Bike

July 7 - 11, 2014 Army National Guard 1616 S. Main Street Bloomington, IL 61701



What we do...

iCan Bike uses adapted bicycles, a specialized instructional program and trained staff to enable individuals with disabilities to learn to ride a two-wheel bicycle. Participants attend one 75 minute session each day for five consecutive days where they learn to ride while accompanied and encouraged by a volunteer "spotter." Over the course of each week we continually adjust the bikes in an effort to challenge riders appropriately as they gradually discover the skill and joys of riding. **Who benefits...**

iCan Bike participants are children age 8 and up as well as teens and adults. They have a diagnosed disability and are able to walk without assistive devices.

Who can participate...

To register for the camp, participants must meet the following criteria:

- Have a diagnosed disability
- Be at least eight years old
- Have a minimum inseam of 20 inches
- Weigh less than 220 pounds
- Be able to walk without assistive devices
- Be able to side-step quickly

Be able and willing to wear a properly fitted helmet

Sessions: July 7-11, 2014

Session 1	8:30 a.m 9:45 a.m.
Session 2	10:05 a.m 11:20 a.m.
Session 3	11:40 a.m 12:55 p.m.
Session 4	1:45 p.m 3:00 p.m.
Session 5	3:20 p.m 4:25 p.m.

Cost

The camp fee is \$75. A limited number of scholarships are available thanks to the Lora DeAnn Broers Memorial Scholarship Fund and Youth Engaged in Philanthropy, a program of the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation.

Questions or Wish to Volunteer? Contact Tara Wellenreiter at 309.686.1177, ext. 5230 or <u>twellenreiter@ci.easterseals.com</u>

14TH ANNUAL MARCFIRST

GOLF CLASSIC

JUNE 5TH, 2014



1901 North Towanda Avenue Normal, IL 61761 (309) 454-9620 http://www.golfironwood.org/

REGISTRATION

Registration Due May 23rd, 2014 For more information or to register, please visit: http://www.marcfirst.org/golf-classic.shtml Sponsorship opportunities available!

EVENT DETAILS

11:00am Registration 12:00pm Shot Gun Start Lunch and Dinner Provided Four Person Scramble \$125 per Golfer





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Marcfirst's vision is to become a bridge to a community where all people can pursue and achieve their dreams throughout their lives.

- We support people and promote individual abilities based on their hopes and dreams throughout their lifetime.
- We treat people with dignity and respect.
- We promote an atmosphere of personal growth, development and continuous quality improvement.



