

Hoops Madness Results, Boccia, Facebook Interchange, IEP Clinic,
Youth Leadership Forum, Community Activities, Movies, Support
groups and more...

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March 2019

Hoops Madness Tournament - a great success and "Wheels of Fire" swept the awards...

Congratulations Coach Jeff!!



"The most prestigious award of the day goes to our very own Jeff Williams. **The Hutchison Award**, named after Sheryl "Hutch" Hutchison. This is Jeff's first year as SOCIL sports director and his passion and leadership for adaptive sports will help this opportunity continue to grow for those who could use the inspiration in their lives!!! It's an emotional one. Well deserved." *Wendy Dowdy, parent*

Additional outstanding accomplishments went to:

Isaac Helber - MVP of Tournament

Simeon Swayne - Sportsmanship Award

Alexis Schriener - 2nd place in 3 point contest

Matthew Hammond - 2nd place in slamdunk contest

"Wheels of Fire" took 3rd place overall in the tournament.



Adaptive Boccia

Practices will be on Monday,
March 4th, March 11th, March 18th & March 25th
from 5:00 - 6:00pm

Practices are held at Hocking Valley Industries
15663 State Route 595, Logan.

See [FLYER](#) for more details.

Questions or to register contact Jeff Williams at SOCIL
740-380-1475 or jwsocil@sbcglobal.net



Veterans Boccia - [visit this link](#) and check out the video about veterans that started playing boccia for recreational therapy but it became a chance for them to re-enter the competitive world, build bonds of friendship and embrace life again after traumatic injury or illness.

If you are a veteran interested in learning to play boccia,
contact Jeff Williams at SOCIL 740-380-1475 or jwsocil@sbcglobal.net



SOCIL's Facebook Interchange

Adaptive Sports Facebook Interchange - learn about adaptive sports and how to participate with these topics:

- March 4th - What Do We Mean by "Adaptive Sports"?
- March 11th - What's My Motivation?
- March 18th - Benefits of Participating in Adaptive Sports
- March 25th - Where to Find Opportunities for Participation

To view entries go to www.facebook.com/socilohio/notes Please leave comments!

Matter of Balance, Managing Concerns About Falls

Do you find yourself not going out as much because you worry about falling?

Join us for the award-winning program:

Wednesdays and Fridays

March 6 & 8; 13 & 15; 20 & 22; and 27 & 29

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Pickerington Public Library

201 Opportunity Way, Pickerington

Check out the [FLYER](#) for more details and how to register!



Hurry! There is still time to register...

Are Your Child's Educational Needs Being Adequately Addressed By The School?

SOCIL will be hosting an **IEP Clinic on Thursday, March 7th** at the Lancaster office with **Martha Lause' of the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD)**.

Appointments are available at the top of each hour beginning at 9:00am.

Parents can **talk one-on-one with Martha** about concerns they may have with their child's education. This could include children with disabilities with IEPs, children with disabilities without IEPs, or children with disabilities whose parents have questions about the process and their options. Special education can begin as early as age three so it's never too early to start talking about it.

Contact Scott Campbell at 740-689-1494 ext. 15 or scsocol@sbcglobal.net to schedule an appointment or if you have any questions regarding the event.

The Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) is now accepting applications for the summer 2019 session, which will be held July 14-18.

Deadline to register is March 31st.

YLF is an annual event hosted by OOD through which high school juniors and seniors with disabilities learn

about choosing a career, self-advocacy and leadership development. To learn more about YLF check out this [YouTube](#) page. To apply, visit Youth Leadership Forum here:

<https://ood.ohio.gov/Transition-Students/Youth-Leadership-Forum>.



Scott Campbell at SOCIL (740-689-1494 ext 15) is available to answer questions and assist with the application process.

Special Olympics Fundraiser



Spaghetti Dinner & Auction

Friday, March 22, 2019 - 6:00 pm

Fairfield County Special Olympics will serve an amazing Spaghetti Dinner and host a gift basket and baked goods auction to help fund the Special Olympics basketball program.

Cost: \$8.00 for Adults; \$5.00 12 years & under

Location: Lancaster United Brethren Church
1125 Pleasantville Road, Lancaster

Tickets can be bought at the door or in advance from basketball athletes.

Call Andrea Headley to make a Reservation - 740.215.7640

Community Activities, Classes & Support Groups

Sensory Friendly Movies - Cinemark River Valley Mall

March 2 - ["How To Train Your Dragon - The Hidden World"](#) - 9:30 am

March 23rd - ["Wonder Park"](#) - 9:30 am

April 6th - ["Dumbo"](#) - 9:30 am

Pickerington Playgroup & Parent Meet-Up

Coffee, Tea and Autism-Fairfield County (Facebook Page) (All disabilities welcome)

3rd Thursday each month - 6:30-8:00 pm

Location: Peace United Methodist Church, 235 Diley Road, Pickerington

For more details see [flyer](#) or call 740-752-7220

Coffee, Tea and Autism led by parent, Sara Walker, swalker409@yahoo.com.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, VITA - In partnership with the United Way of

Fairfield County. Free Federal, State and School District Tax Preparation will be offered for low income families and individuals. **Call 740-653-4146 to schedule an appointment.**

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group -2nd Wednesday of each month 1:30 - 3:00 pm
Location: Lancaster SOCIL office. Free respite available. See [flyer](#) for more details.

Parkinson's Support Group - 3rd Wednesday of each month 1:00 - 2:30 pm Location:
Lancaster SOCIL office. Free respite available. See [flyer](#) for more details.

What's Next? - Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia - Caregiver Educational Group -
3rd Monday of each month from 1:00 - 3:00 pm Location: Lancaster SOCIL office. See [flyer](#) for more details.

Self Advocacy Groups

"**Dynamite Abilities**" 3rd Wednesday of the month at Hope Center, 10:00am
contact Scott Campbell of SOCIL, at 740-689-1494 or scsocil@sbcglobal.net

"**Abilities United**" 3rd Wednesday of the month at Logan SOCIL office
3:00-4:15pm. Contact Jordy Stringer of SOCIL, at 740-380-1475 or
jssocil@sbcglobal.net

"**Speak for Yourself**" 1st Friday of the month at Fox Family Y in Lancaster
from 6:00 - 7:00pm before the dance. Contact Rejeanna Smith at
rejeannasmith889@gmail.com for more information.

THANK YOU to those who have registered your Kroger card!

Did you know that just by doing your regular grocery shopping at **Kroger** you could **help SOCIL earn funds** to conduct activities, such as Adaptive Sports, Kids In College Scholarships, peer support groups, and more? By registering your Kroger card in the **Kroger Community Rewards program**, each time you shop and scan your card, SOCIL will receive a percentage of your purchase amount. [Click here for easy instructions on how to register your Kroger card.](#) Ask your family and friends to assist us too!

Thank you!





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