



Southeastern Ohio Center for Independent Living

Communication Pulse...

your lifeline to disability news and resources

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Welcome to our "new" Newsletter!

The newsletter will be more condensed and coming to you every month via this email format.

We will continue to provide you with disability news, resources and upcoming events.

We hope that you will find the information provided to be helpful and share with others who would also benefit from the provided information.

If you are receiving this newsletter forwarded to you, please [click here](#) to be added to our listserv. As always, you can request to be removed from our email list at any time by clicking on the link at the bottom of the page.

We hope you find this new layout easy to use...let us know what you think!



Ohio Youth Leadership Forum Accepting Applications

Ohio YLF is a five-day all expenses paid leadership training program for 11th and 12th grade students with disabilities who are interested in developing their

leadership ability. It will be held in Columbus from July 30th through August 3rd.

At YLF, student delegates from all over the state learn about choosing a career, the history of disability as a culture, available technology and resources, and self and systems advocacy. Students are introduced to professionals with disabilities and have an opportunity to develop their own Personal Leadership Plan to reach goals in their education, employment and community development.

Students who are not already working with Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) will need to apply for VR services. Interested students must mail a completed application packet to OOD no later than March 31st. To complete the application and for additional information, visit

<http://www.ood.ohio.gov/Programs/Youth-Leadership-Forum>.

Sensory Friendly Events

The **Decorative Arts Center of Ohio** in Lancaster is now offering sensory friendly tours...these tours are free and offered by appointment on Monday afternoons when the museum is closed and also on the first Saturday of the month at 9:00am.

See the [attached news release](#) for more details and contact information to schedule your tour.

Cinemark Theaters (River Valley Mall in Lancaster) offers **sensory friendly** movies. Auditorium lights will be on and the sound lowered. Watch SOCIL's website www.socil.org for upcoming movies or contact Cinemark 740-681-5697, www.cinemark.com

Dyslexia

Hank Zipzer Books - Follows the everyday adventures of a bright boy with learning challenges and were created by Henry Winkler of *Happy Days*, (who has dyslexia). With such interesting titles, they are sure to catch the attention of young readers... "*The Night I*

Flunked My Field Trip", *"The Zippity Zinger"*, *"Who Ordered this Baby? Definitely Not Me!"* are just a few examples! Mr. Winkler and his co-author Lin Oliver also have a new series, **Here's Hank** where you meet Hank as a second grader. Checkout a copy today from your local library.

Challenging Behaviors

Education and Behavior Conference presented by DSACO

Featuring live webinar with Dr. David Stein on March 3 from 1pm-3pm at OUL.

Dr. Stein is a psychologist and co-director of the Down Syndrome Program at Boston Children's Hospital. His book, "Supporting Positive Behavior in Children and Teens with Down Syndrome," is a valuable resource for families and professionals who work with children and teens with Down Syndrome (it would be a good tool for supporting positive behaviors within other populations as well).

This **live webinar is open to both families and professionals**. See the [attached flyer](#) or call 614.263.6020 for more details. Cost \$10.00, if cost will cause financial hardship, you can request fee to be waived.

Here is a direct link to register: <http://dsaco.net/event/education-behavior-conference/>

Assistive Technology (AT) & Accessible Educational Materials (AEM)

The **AT & AEM Center** is a resource center that empowers individuals with disabilities by providing accessible educational materials, access to assistive technologies and highly specialized technical assistance and professional development support.

Visit their website www.ataem.org for informative videos, training modules, AT Resource Guide, Lending Library AT Devices and upcoming events, and more.

Coming May 6th – Assistive Technology Family Conference - for parents, students who are blind or visually impaired, and the professionals who serve them. The event is FREE but registration is required. Go to <http://ataem.org/project/at->

[family-conference](#) for more information and to register.

APP Corner

Highly recommended apps for under four dollars. Look for these in your devices APP store.



Letter Reflex - Overcoming Letter Reversals & Backwards Writing

Does your child get his b's and d's mixed up? How about her p's and q's? LetterReflex is an award winning app that provides a fun way to help overcome common letter reversals. The first activity, **Tilt It**, uses kinesthetic learning to teach left from right. The second activity, **Flip It**, allows them to practice what they learned while honing their letter discrimination skills.

Price: \$3.99 Device: iPhone, iPad

Advocacy

Abilities United (AU)

is an advocacy group empowering individuals to focus on their Abilities.

- **Wednesday, March 22nd 3:00 - 4:30 pm**
 - Wrap This!

AU meetings are held at Hocking College, Logan, Campus, 30140 Iles Road
contact Mary Clark, of SOCIL, 740-380-1475 with questions or to register to attend.

Men's Group

A format to share hopes and dreams...

Discuss the struggles of being a man with a disability;

Find support among other men with the same struggles;
Develop social connections.

Group meets **one Saturday a month** at Pickerington Library, contact Scott Campbell, of SOCIL, 740-689-1494 or scsocio@sbcglobal.net with questions or if you are interested in attending.



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