

SOCIL staff changes, Adaptive Basketball, Sensory Santa, Pre-Employment Transition Services

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### **FALL brought changes to SOCIL Hocking County Office**

Along with the changing of the leaves, the staff in our Hocking County Office has changed as well. After 12 years with SOCIL, Mary Clark, Independent Living Specialist resigned her position due to her

family needs. Mary was instrumental in the start up and success of the Abilities United support group as well as providing excellent support and information to her consumers and callers. Linda Ritchie also resigned her position as ILSC but don't be surprised to see Linda and Mary still active in the community.

SOCIL would like to welcome and introduce our new Independent Living Specialist, **Jordy Stringer**. Jordy is looking forward to meeting and establishing a rapport with his consumers and community leaders. Jordy, a person with a disability, is well-equipped with the knowledge of dealing with both public misconceptions and the necessity for personal and systemic advocacy.

Jordy can be reached at **740-380-1475** or [jssocil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jssocil@sbcglobal.net).



## **Adaptive Basketball - It's time to REGISTER!!**

Hocking Adaptive Sports Program (HASP) basketball season starts in December! Practices will be on Monday's from 5:30-6:30 pm at the Hocking Valley Industries gym located at 15663 State Route 595 in Logan. [See flier for more details.](#)

**Registration deadline is: Wednesday, November**

**22nd.**Contact Lisa at 740-689-1494 ext. 10 to register.

## **Sensory Santa at "Gift of Time"**

Holiday Fun and Activities

**Saturday, December 2nd - 10am to 2pm**

at Lancaster High School



**Children with sensory challenges** and their families can get a photo with Santa and enjoy some activity stations between **9am - 10am** prior to "Gift of Time" being opened to the public.

Attendance for Sensory Santa is limited and **reservations are required** to keep this event quiet and relaxed. **Reservations deadline- Friday, November 24th.**

To register, contact Lisa at SOCIL 740-689-1494 ext 10 or [imsocil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:imsocil@sbcglobal.net)



## **Do you have a Spinal Cord Injury?**

You may be eligible to participate in a research study and be compensated for your time.

**[Check out the flyer for more details.](#)**



## **Partnering with Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities: Introducing Pre-Employment Transition Services for Students with Disabilities**

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) has begun a rolling implementation of Pre-Employment Transition Services. These exciting new services are available to students with disabilities on an IEP or who are eligible for purposes of a 504, regardless of if the students have an open vocational rehabilitation case. They are a great way to supplement the early stages of

transition planning, but can be provided at any point in the planning process. As the roll out begins, please note service provision will begin in stages and all services may not be currently available in every area in the state. Please see <http://www.ood.ohio.gov/Transition-br-Students/Pre-Employment-Transition-Services> for more information or contact **Scott** at 740-689-1494 ext. 15 or [scsocil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:scsocil@sbcglobal.net) or **Jordy** at 740-380-1475 or [jssocil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jssocil@sbcglobal.net) at **SOCIL** to see what is currently available in your area.

### **Giving Back to Your Community and helping SOCIL!**

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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