

INDEPENDENT DISPATCH

Independent Living Newsletter June 2017



June Classes

- Butler County Summer Youth Leadership Initiative **Tuesday, June 20th from 5:00 – 8pm** at St. Andrew's Church in North Butler.
- S.H.O.P. (Supported Housing Opportunity Program) **Tuesday, June 27th from 9:30am – 12:30pm** at the Butler IL office.
- Pennsylvania State Police/Internet Safety **Tuesday, June 27th from 1:30pm – 3pm** at the Butler IL office.
- Hosanna Industries **Thursday, June 29th from 12 – 4pm** at Hosanna Industries' Gibsonia campus.

- The summer youth leadership Initiative will focus on cooking and budgeting. You will participate in a grocery simulation, learn to budget, and lastly learn to cook.
- S.H.O.P. will present you with the tools and education to be a successful renter. Great resources and benefits even if your not living on your own.
- Pennsylvania State Police will share with you all internet safety, cyber bullying, and Facebook dangers.
- At Hosanna Industries you will all participate in a fun team building activity to create a mosaic out of glass pieces.

Pop Tabs

Remember to keep collecting your pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. You can give them to your IL worker or drop them off at the Butler IL office.

Trade Skill Instruction

During May's class, Butler IL youth had the opportunity to participate in a trade skill program learning basic tool familiarization and building concepts. Hosanna Industries has been instrumental in engaging youth to seek out their passions and presented a great experience for Butler IL youth to reflect lives of purpose.



Butler IL youth left Hosanna Industries with a renewed sense of meaning. Youth took turns using tools such as circular saws, electric hand sanders, and drills. It was a total team effort! Some of the youth walked away from the day considering summer employment openings and apprenticeship vacancies within the organization.

*"When one teaches, two learn."
~ Robert Heinlein*

More Upcoming Dates to Note

- Butler local YAB meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 1st at 5:30pm** at the Butler IL office.
- YAB Leadership Summit will be held on **Thursday, June 15th – Friday June 16th**
- Regional YAB meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 20th at 10am**. This meeting will take place in Carnegie, PA where the Southwest Region YAB will be picking up trash for Adopt-a-Highway.
- **SAVE the DATE! August 7th – 11th** is the 2017 Older Youth Retreat at the University of Pitt Johnstown Campus. This is for those of you who are Chafee eligible (16 years old and were or are in foster care). Here is a link to a video from last year's retreat:
<https://vimeo.com/182436232>

Talk to your IL worker if you are interested in local YAB, Adopt-a-Highway, or the Older Youth Retreat.

Food & Hygiene Item Drive

Each Youth Advisory Board across the state is competing to have the most items donated by July 13th, 2017. As part of the Southwest Regional YAB, our independent living program is taking part in the competition. If you have canned goods, other non-perishable food items, and/or hygiene items you can also give them to your IL worker or drop them off at the Butler IL office. The items will be donated to an organization of the Southwest Regional YAB's choosing. Keep collecting!



Following the trade skill instruction, the 11 IL youth and staff enjoyed an afternoon of mini golf at Frontier Falls in Rochester, PA.



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IL CALENDAR

JUNE 2017

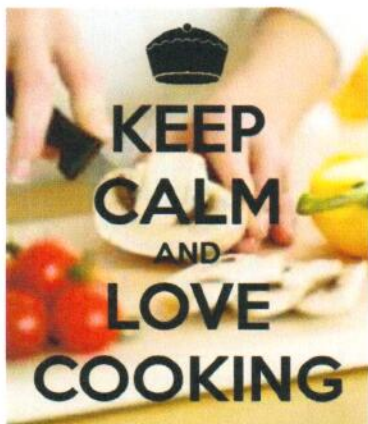


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Butler YAB Meeting 5:30 – 7pm	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14  ***** FLAG DAY	15 YAB Leadership Summit	16 YAB Leadership Summit	17
18 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	19	20 Butler Youth Leadership Initiative 5 – 8pm	21  Happy 1st DAY of SUMMER	22	23	24
25	26 Butler IL Class 9:30am – 12:30pm 1:30 – 3pm	27	28	29 Butler IL Class 12 – 4pm	30	
Basketball Butler Salvation Army Wednesdays 4:30 – 6pm						June 20 th Regional YAB Adopt-a-Highway 10am

BUTLER COUNTY YOUTH LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE

FEATURING:

Cooking and Budgeting!



WHEN:

Tuesday, June 20, 2017
5 – 8pm

WHERE:

St. Andrew Church Hall
1660 N. Main Street Ext.
Butler, PA 16001

**Free Event
Must Call:**

724-431-6025
RSVP BY JUNE 16

DINNER, GAMES
& PRIZES
INCLUDED

AGES 12 TO 18

JUNE THEME

Learn How to Budget:

- Wants vs. Needs
- How far can I make my \$\$ go?

Grocery Simulation

Learn How to Cook:

- Food Safety
- Nutrition

Price is Right Game!

- Take your chance to win a prize!

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