

Celebrate the Children

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Leap in the Lake
For our Special Kids
February 13, 2016
Hopatcong State Park

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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On February 13, 2016, Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge #782 hosted their 7th annual Leap in the Lake at Hopatcong State Park. All proceeds were to benefit our area Special Needs Kids & the Youth in our Community.

This year the Lake Hopatcong Elks Youth Programs & Special Children's Committee presented \$1,000 checks to special education programs from 15 schools within their footprint. We are pleased to tell you that CTC was chosen to be a recipient of one of the \$1,000 checks. Margaret was there to receive the \$1,000 check on CTC's behalf.



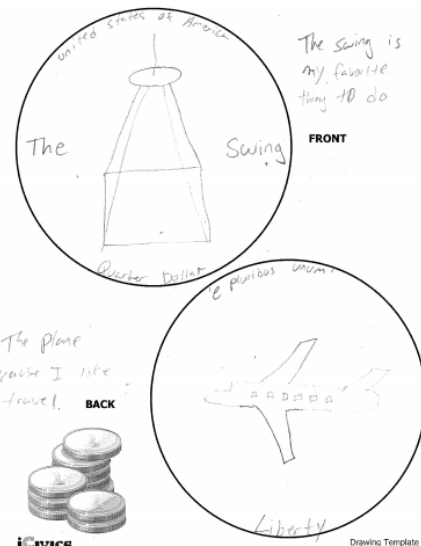
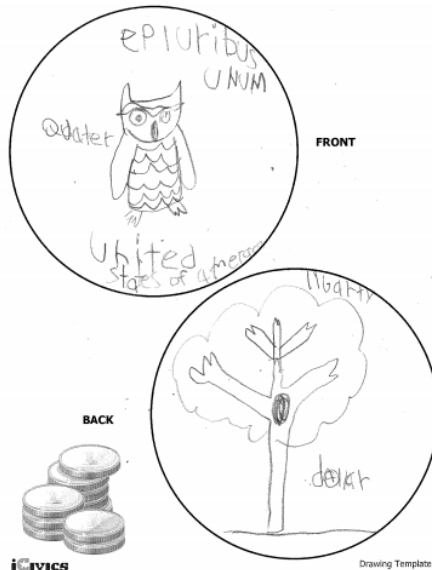
A PEAK INTO THE CLASSROOM ANDREW'S CLASS

Have you ever wanted to see something else on the front of our coins? How about an owl? Or Marilyn Monroe? Our Civics and Government class had to chance to make it happen! The process started with a message from the President and passed through Congress for approval. Students had to work together as a team to choose an image for the front and back of the coin, as well as include all the usual words and phrases found on US money. Some designs had animals, some had famous historical figures, but they were all creative!

Our homeroom class will be venturing into the kitchen again this week. Last time we cooked, we made brownies. This week we'll be making quesadillas. Everyone will have the chance to make their own quesadilla, cook it, and eat it!

The Kids' Coin

Name: _____



A PEAK INTO THE MUSIC PROGRAM DAN'S CLASS

Over the past few weeks in music class at CTC, we've spent some time learning about the importance of what orchestral conductors do when they lead an orchestra. We also tried some different conducting patterns using the Maestro app for the iPad. And finally we watched a clip of the great Leonard Bernstein showing how he could play an orchestra as if it were an instrument.

A PEAK INTO THE PROGRAM RELATED SERVICES

Last Month OT community group hosted another great event. On Jan 29th the students and staff worked hard to coordinate another successful pancake breakfast. Students in this group took orders and cooked for parents and community members. We had a wonderful turn out and are thrilled to announce that through all their hard work and efforts, close to \$400.00 was raised and donated to the World Wildlife Federation and Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital.



DON'T FORGET TO RSVP FOR THE PROM.
Call Kristin @ 973-989-4033 X 199 with any questions.



Please pass on Profectum's CA Conference information to all your West Coast friends or to anyone you feel would benefit from this conference.

For additional information go to:

www.profectum.org



March 18-20, 2016

PASADENA CONVENTION CENTER
PASADENA, CA

4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Awakening Human Potential in Mind and Body

Regional Center Vendor # PD2979

Continuing Education for SLP, OT, COTA, LMFT, LCSW, LEP, LPCC, Psychologist



Featured Conference Themes

- Innovative Approaches to Emotional Regulation: Using Sense Technology to Improve Quality of Life
- Identifying Needs and Bringing Hope to Underserved Infants, Toddlers, and Parents in the Child Welfare System
- Healing the Body to Calm the Mind: The Impact of Medical Issues on Emotional Well-Being and Developmental Progress
- Innovative Approaches to Building Socio-emotional Development
- The Impacts of Fathers and Father Figures on Children's Socio-emotional Development

FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

www.profectum.org

This conference is for everyone!

- Plenary presentations on all conference themes
- Multi-disciplinary panel discussions that include case histories with video clips demonstrating relationship based treatment strategies to address key challenges
- Parent panels to address concerns for all those raising children with special needs
- Special Workshops that provide "hands-on" learning and practical tools to use in the home, clinic and classroom
- A Resource Partner Fair to learn what's available and forge new relationships within the community
- Book signings at the Special Needs Project Bookstore
- Opportunities to meet and network with colleagues, friends and parents dedicated to the progress of every individual

GUEST SPEAKERS

Shelia Anderson, PhD

LouAnne Boyd, MA

Deborah Budding, PhD

Brenda Jones Harden, MSW, PhD

Erik Linthorst

Rosalind W. Picard, SCD

"Skip" Rizzo, PhD

Lonnie Zeltzer, MD

PROFECTUM FACULTY

Ricki Robinson, MD, MPH

Serena Wieder, PhD

Mona M. Delahooke, PhD

Connie Lillas, PhD, MFT, RN

Monica G. Osgood

Tal Baz, MS, OTR/L

Sherri Cawn, MA, CCC-SLP

Patricia Marquart, MFT

Ruby Salazar, LCSW, BCD

Traci D. Swink, MD

Rosemary White, OTR/L



4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



Awakening Human Potential in Mind and Body

5
TOP

Reasons
Professionals
Should Attend
this Conference

March 18-20, 2016

The Pasadena Convention Center
Pasadena, CA

Register Now

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EXPLORE

Cutting edge technology that improves well-being and development in Autism, SPD and Mental Health Treatment

DISCOVER

How medical conditions, including chronic pain and anxiety, can be recognized and treated to calm the body and mind

LEARN

about a groundbreaking transdisciplinary team approach to improving long term outcomes of underserved children with toxic stress

NETWORK

with internationally known researchers, clinicians and local professionals

EXPLORE

The "father factor" and how it can enhance all family's lives, regardless of constellation

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Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Contact your Regional Center Service Coordinator for instruction on how to apply to attend.



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INFORM

your child's team about the latest research on supporting your child's emotions and decreasing anxiety

RECOGNIZE

how medical conditions can look like challenging behaviors in autism spectrum disorders

LEARN

how technology, including video games, can help or hinder your child's developmental progress

DISCOVER

what researchers have to tell us about "father factors" and how all *mothers and fathers* can supercharge their play and interactions

NETWORK

with researchers, fellow parents and autistic individuals to create strong communities of parent support

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Answers You Need!

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**Register
NOW!**

Can "sense" technology such as a bracelet or sock help my child with emotional control?

Rosalind W. Picard, ScD from the MIT Media Lab will share with us how the latest technology measuring and supporting an individual's emotional levels is now available for parents and professionals alike. Come hear about technology that can help children and teens' emotional development, and see video examples of how it works, along with a case presentation by **Tal Baz, MS, OTR/L**.

What is the relationship between autism, pain, and challenging behaviors?

Ricki Robinson, MD, MPH, pediatrician and autism specialist, will lead a panel of experts including **Lonnie Zeltzer, MD**, who will share about mind-body strategies for managing pain and anxiety in autism and special needs.

How much time should I let my child spend playing video games?

Skip Rizzo, PhD, from USC Leonard Davis School of Gerontology along with researcher **LouAnne Boyd, MA** and neuropsychologist **Deborah Budding, PhD** will discuss the pros and cons of video games and other technologies, including a game that improves social skills, and a technology platform that helps autistic young adults prepare for job interviews.

Is there something to be learned about how fathers interact and play?

Sheila Anderson, PhD, developmental psychologist, will bring us her research about the "father factor" and developmental boosts that *fathers and mothers* can provide to children. Come learn the strategies and hear from an exciting panel, moderated by **Mona Delahooke, PhD**, including fathers and a son who will candidly share their stories and inspire all families to grow along the lifespan.

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Parent Training Group

Topic: *Transition Workshop*

March 3, 2016 at 6 pm



Giving Every Child A Chance

Presenting:

Nina Peckman, Staff Attorney

If your child is 14 years or older, it is important to understand federal and state education laws regarding transition to life after high school graduation. It is also important to understand how Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act can protect and support a student with a disability in the process of obtaining a public education up through graduation as well as in higher education. It is equally essential to be informed regarding practical advocacy strategies, options and tips to access school and community based services.

This workshop will present general information regarding these topics and address participant questions.

Location:

CTC's Lobby conference

RSVP required by February 29th to:

Student & Family Support Services

Jennifer Mandato

(973) 989-4033 x 413 or jmandato@celebratethechildren.org

Montgomery Rodeo Announces 2nd Annual Special Needs Rodeo Performance.

The Montgomery Rodeo in Skillman, NJ is a community non-profit that is a popular annual event in the area. For more than 20 years, we have put on a weekend of top-notch rodeo entertainment that has raised substantial funds for local charities and non-profits. Last year, we hosted our first Special Needs Rodeo Performance and it was met with such great success, we are doing it again this year.

“Last year we wanted to add a show for kids and families who wouldn’t normally be able to take advantage of this type of event,” said Noel Drift, Montgomery Rodeo co-founder. “We received tremendous feedback from the families. One mother wrote, ‘*Our family would never have been able to attend this type of event in a usual setting, thank you for this opportunity.*’ We are very happy to be able to offer this special performance again.”

The Special Needs Rodeo Performance was designed to include all of the regular rodeo events, yet modified to make it more sensory-friendly. After collaborating with Eden Autism Services, one of the rodeo charities, and Sam and Carrie Swearingen, of Rawhide Rodeo Company, Montgomery Rodeo producer, we are able to offer a friendlier environment for this community and their families. This year, we are offering even more events for family participation and a closer, more personal experience overall.

Along with this wonderful Special Needs Rodeo, the Montgomery Rodeo will host two big shows, **Saturday, June 11, 7 pm, and Sunday, June 12, 2 pm.** These shows include bull riding, bronco riding, barrels, calf roping, and several children’s events including mutton busting and a stick horse race. Last year, the Montgomery Rodeo distributed \$35,000 to charitable organizations, which includes our special needs advisors, Eden Autism Services.

The Special Needs Rodeo Performance is an invitation-only event, to keep the number of spectators at a comfortable level. For more information, or to request an invitation, please contact SpecialNeedsRodeo@montgomeryrodeo.com. For sponsorship information please contact info@montgomeryrodeo.com



CTC CONNECTIONS - RESOURCE WEBSITE

...everything you need to navigate the journey!!

On this site you will find access to a vast array of Local, State, & National Resources and Organizations dedicated to supporting children, families, and professionals. You can sign up for newsletters & publications, locate workshops, seminars and conferences, access webinars, find publishers, connect to other families, get homework help, and the list goes on!



We encourage you to explore, connect, and utilize the vast resources that are available to you through these organizations. The knowledge you will gain, the confidence it will afford you in your journey, and the community connections you will secure are invaluable!

Look for the "CTC Connections" logo on the home page of the CTC School website
<https://sites.google.com/a/celebratethechildren.org/national-and-state-organizations/>

Parent/Professional Conference

Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and The Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities Presents

Facing the Future 24

Discovering a World of Employment Opportunities

March 18, 2016 8 am- 4:00 pm

Facing the Future 24 features keynote presentations by Allison Wohl and Temple Grandin as well as 18 conference workshops.

Visit CTC Connections for more info on this and many other opportunities!
 Under the "NJ Government Agencies & Resources" Tab

CTC Parent Support Groups

We have a few Parent run Support Groups that meet on and off premise. Contact your SFSS Case Manager for more details!

We also strongly encourage families to reach out to their home communities for support and recreation opportunities!

It may be when we no longer know what to do, we have come to our real work, and that when we no longer know which way to go, we have begun our real journey.

— Wendell Berry

Morris County HOW

At Celebrate the Children School

Is your child 14-21 years old? It is time for you to start planning for when they leave school. Join HOW-"Hands On Workshop Series" (aka: Prep Club) to learn what you need to know to plan for life beyond high school.

Jan 13th, Feb 10th, March 9th - 6:00-7:00 pm

RSVP REQUIRED – email Caroline

cmclaughlin@arcnj.org

****Second Wednesday of every month.**

CTC MAPs Club

Making Action Plans for Life and Career

Transition Navigators meet with older students twice monthly completing activities based on transition curriculum. Small group activities, peer to peer discussions, formal presentation, and individual activities allow students opportunities to learn how to identify their strengths/challenges and set life goals for the future.

Mark Your Calendars!

"Transition Expo" – TBA, Spring 2016

Upcoming Events

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Mark your calendar!
Special Olympics
Track & Field Competition
Saturday, May 7, 2016
Details to follow...

Green Vision Donations

can be made by contacting:

greenvision@celebratethechildren.org
or call 973-989-4033 x 145

FUNPLEX Amusement Center,
East Hanover, NJ

is hosting a Special Needs Night, Thursday,
March 3rd! The cost is \$20 and includes
**Unlimited Attractions, 10 Arcade Credits, PLUS
2 Slices of Pizza & Medium Drink.**

Go to their website

<http://funplexeasthanover.com/> for more
information.

Call 973-428-8772 to make reservations!

Sibling Day

Thursday, March 31st

9am -1 pm

Information to be sent home.

HOW – Hands on Workshop aka – “Prep Club”

2nd Wednesday of each month 6-7 pm

RSVP REQUIRED

to Caroline McLaughlin

cmclaughlin@arcnj.org

or call 732-354-9374

March 25th & 28th

Easter Break

School Closed

April 18th-22nd

Spring Break

School Closed

Parent Training Groups

Topic: Zones of Regulation

March 2nd @ 10 am

Topic: Transition Workshop

Presented by Nina Peckman,

Staff Attorney

March 3rd @ 6 pm

RSVP required to:

Jennifer Mandato

973-989-4022 x 413 or

jmandato@celebratethechildren.org

Red Bull New York vs Toronto

Free Tickets for March 6th 1:30 pm

Red Bull Arena, Harrison NJ

email Andrew Reynolds with reservations
or questions at:

areynolds@celebratethechildren.org

RSVP by MARCH 1 2016

**CTC received this generous donation from
the New York Red Bulls**

**First come first serve basis for families of
CTC**

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