



Leisure Education for Exceptional People

August 2018

Hello LEEP Family!

As our summer rec program comes to a close and we are reviewing the results of our LEEP Legends fundraiser, LEEP staff are also busy making sure that we are providing opportunities that LEEP members want to participate in.

Every month we have a variety of activities and events that we offer, and this month is not any different. We will continue to offer the popular activities (birthday bash, karaoke, Zumba, bingo, etc.), but we're also interested in what activities and events YOU would like to see us offer. Although we may not be able to try every idea, we want to hear ideas that LEEP members have!

If you haven't attended any LEEP activities or events recently, I encourage you to participate in one activity or event before the end of 2018. Not only will you have fun, but you may make some new friends and/or learn something new!

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS INFORMATION

In order to participate in Special Olympic sports, athletes must complete an Athlete Application for Participation. All sections must be completed, signed, require a doctor's signature, physical and background check. Forms will not be accepted if not completed fully. Once completed, the application must be turned into the LEEP Office and LEEP will submit the form to the Special Olympics Minnesota's (SOMN) office. This application does not guarantee acceptance into the Special Olympics program until official word is received from SOMN.

- Forms must be updated every three years to continue participation. Athletes are not allowed to participate in Special Olympics practices or tournaments without a current completed form. If you are in question as to whether you have this form completed, please call LEEP at 507-387-5122 and we can verify this for you. This form must be updated every three years. If it is not up to date, the athlete will not be able to practice or compete until cleared by Special Olympics Minnesota.
- All athletes must be a paid LEEP Member before participating in any LEEP activities. After the athletes have registered for their sports, LEEP will mail out specific information regarding practice times, tournament dates, what to wear, etc.
- Special Olympics is open to participants over the age of 8. LEEP will attempt to place younger athletes together.

Changes in the Fall Games!

You may notice that some prices have changed compared to previous years. LEEP staff are working hard to make sure that we are charging affordable fees while covering LEEP's costs. To help lower prices we are trying a pricing system that removes the option of hotel and transportation for state. This will help the athletes that do not ride or stay with LEEP at the state tournaments.

Special Olympics Fall Games Tournament Schedule

Softball

Area – August 18, 2018
Caswell Park - North Mankato
Regional – August 25, 2018
Brook Peterson Fields
1250 Oak Ave
Waconia, MN 55387

Bocce Ball

Area – August 11, 2018
Soccer World
380 Woodlake Dr SE
Rochester, MN 55904

Golf

Area – August 9, 2018
Terrace View Golf Course
19304 MN-22 MN 55601

SPECIAL OLYMPICS FLAG FOOTBALL

That's another LEEP FIRST DOWN!!!! This is a non-contact sport and is open to anyone over the age of 8. The Unified Flag Football season combines athletes with and without disabilities to compete on the same team. By participating together, athletes and Unified Partners improve their physical fitness, sharpen their skills, challenge the competition and overcome prejudices about intellectual disabilities. We will engage in football specific drills, developing plays and strengthening teamwork throughout the entire season!

Dates: Thursdays, August 23 - October 28, 2018

Limit: 26 athletes

Location: Spring Lake Park, North Mankato (650 Webster Ave)

Time: 4:30-5:30 pm

Tournament Dates:

Area- Sunday, October 7, 2018 at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter MN

State- Saturday, October 27- Sunday, October 28, 2018 at Bielenberg Sports Complex, Woodbury MN

Uniforms: Flag Football Shirts will be required for competition. If you don't already have one, make sure to provide your shirt size upon registration *Replacement uniform shirts have a \$10 fee. *Mouth guards are required for each athlete.

Season Cost: \$100 for season *includes: all practices, facility rental, coaching staff, sports fees, area tournament transportation.

State Cost: \$200 for State Tournament which includes staffing, sports fees, state transport and hotel.

*Replacement uniform has a fee of \$10.

Payment Plan:

1st Payment: \$50/\$100 due Thursday, August 23

2nd Payment: \$25/\$100 due Thursday, September 20

3rd Payment: \$25/\$100 due Thursday, October 18

Practice Transportation: Additional \$25 for 1- way practice transportation Additional \$50 for 2- way practice transportation

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE! • • •

Looking forward to that special activity, but it's slightly out of your budget? Not to worry, we have the solution for you! Come into our office and fill out our scholarship form before the event and get up to 50% of your costs covered for the event! This can be used for Special Events, Night Activities, Classes, Youth Programming and Special Olympic Sports.

Applications can be found online at www.mankatoleep.org

*All scholarships are given at the discretion of the Executive Director. Scholarships are limited per event. For more information regarding scholarships email info@mankatoleep.org or call 507-387-5122.

NIGHT ACTIVITIES ● ● ●

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

Birthday Bash

Celebrate good times with us at LEEP!
We will be chowing down on a tasty birthday treat while playing games and hanging out with friends.

*August Birthday's get in for FREE!

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Limit: 25

Cost: \$3

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

Canvas Art

Show off your artistic abilities at LEEP as we take on this love of canvas painting. Bring your creative mind and we'll provide the supplies.

Canvas Art

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Limit: 10

Cost: \$5

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

Therapy Dogs at United Methodist

If you love animals, this is the night activity for you! Enjoy fluffy, playful canines, learn some cool stuff, and top it off with delicious ice cream!

Location: *Meet at HILLTOP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH*

Address: 108 S. Manitou Drive, Mankato

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Limit: 35

Cost: \$3

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Summer Bingo

It's our favorite night of the month, BINGO night. Come on down to LEEP for a night of prizes and fun!

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Limit: 30

Cost: \$4

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

Karaoke

Get center stage for the monthly Karaoke night! Love to sing and have fun with friends? This is the night activity for you!

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Limit: 25

Cost: \$3

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

Lawn Games & Snacks at Tourtellote

Meet us at Tourtellotte Park for a beautiful night outside and enjoy your favorite yard games including bags, bocce ball, volleyball and more! Snacks will also be on hand for hungry gamers!

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Limit: 30

Cost: \$4

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

Ice Cream Social

Catch up with your friends this summer and have fun while listening to music and creating tasty ice cream delights to satisfy your taste buds!

Location: LEEP

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Limit: 25

Cost: \$5

SPECIAL EVENTS ● ● ●

SATURDAY AUGUST 4

Live Horseracing at Canterbury Park

Join us for an exciting day of live horse racing, poker, amazing food and fun with great friends! Travel with us up to Canterbury Park for their live horse racing! Before we bet on our favorite horses and win big we will grab a bite to eat in Shakopee. Bring additional funds for gambling. *Cost includes staffing, event, meal

and drop off transportation

Meet at LEEP: 10:00am

Drop Off: 4:00-4:30pm

Limit: 10

Cost: \$47/\$54

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

Lunch and a Movie

Enjoy an afternoon out! We will be having lunch and seeing a matinee at the theater. *Cost includes 1 movie ticket, 1 meal, staffing and event. Please bring extra spending money for any snacks at the movie.

Meet at LEEP: 11:00am

Drop offs: 4:00-4:30pm

Limit: 10

Cost: \$50/\$57

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

Flandrau Park and Lunch in New Ulm

Enjoy a relaxing Sunday afternoon at beautiful Flandrau Park in New Ulm! We will eat lunch at one of New Ulm's local restaurants and then enjoy the park. Bring your swimsuit and towel in case you would like to swim. *Cost includes staffing, event, drop off transportation and 1 meal.

Meet at LEEP: 11:00am

Drop offs: 4:00-4:30pm

Limit: 10

Cost: \$45//\$52

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

Big Yellow Barn & Emma Krumbees

We will be stopping at the "famous" Emma Krumbees in Belle Plaine for lunch...and don't forget the pie! Afterwards we will check out the Largest Candy Store in Minnesota! We will be visiting the big Yellow Barn off of Hwy 169 in Jordan for all of your favorite candies, snacks, sodas and puzzles! *Cost includes staffing, event, drop off transportation and 1 meal. Bring additional funds for candy and other purchases.

Meet at LEEP: 11:00am

Drop offs: 4:00-4:30pm

Limit: 10

Cost: \$45/\$52

LEEP CALENDAR AUGUST 2018 ● ● ●

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 NA: August Birthday Bash 6:30-7:30pm	4 SE: Horseracing at Canterbury Park & Dinner 10:00am - 4:00pm
5	6 Advisory Council 6:00-7:00 pm SO: Bocce Ball 4:30 - 5:30 pm	7 SO: Golf 4:30 - 6:00 pm	8 SO: Softball 4:30-5:30 pm NA: Canvas Art 6:30-7:30pm	9 SO: Golf Area Tournament 4:30 - 6:00 pm	10	11 SO: Bocce Area Tournament
12 SE:Lunch & a Movie 11:00am - 4:00pm	13 SO: Bocce Ball 4:30 - 5:30 pm	14 SO: Golf 4:30 - 6:00 pm NA: Therapy Dogs @ Hilltop United Methodist Church (108 S Manitou Dr) 7:00-8:00pm	15 SO: Softball 4:30-5:30 pm	16	17 NA: Summer Bingo 6:30-8:00 pm	18 SO: Softball Area Tournament
19 SE: Flandrau Park & Lunch in New Ulm 11:00am-4:00pm	20 SO: Bocce Ball 4:30 - 5:30 pm	21 SO: Golf 4:30 - 6:00 pm	22 SO: Softball 4:30-5:30 pm NA: Karaoke 6:30-8:00pm	23 SO: Flag Football 4:30 - 5:30 pm	24	25 SO: Softball Regional Tournament
26 SE: Big Yellow Barn & Emma Krumbes 11:00am-4:00pm	27 SO: Bocce Ball 4:30 - 5:30 pm	28 SO: Golf 4:30 - 6:00 pm NA: Lawn Games & Snacks at Tourtelotte Park 6:30-7:30pm	29 SO: Softball 4:30 - 5:30 pm	30 SO: Flag Football 4:30 - 5:30 pm	31 NA: Ice Cream Social 6:30-7:30pm	

WONDERING IF A PROGRAM IS CANCELLED?

Call our Cancellation Line at:

507-387-9996

For the most up to date information.

*Please do not leave a message, they will not be checked or returned at this number.

LEEP PAYMENT CHECKLIST - AUGUST 2018

For your convenience, LEEP has included this checklist to assist with registration and to make the payment process easier. Please include payment for transportation. If you would like to include a copy with pre-payments, this will help eliminate any confusion. Thanks!

X Code	Date	Event	Fee	X	Code	Dates	Event	Fee
NA	8/3	Birthday Bash	\$3		NA	8/22	Karaoke	\$3
NA	8/8	Canvas Art	\$5		NA	8/28	Lawn Games & Snacks at Tourtelotte	\$4
NA	8/14	Therapy Dogs at United Methodist Church	\$3		NA	8/31	Ice Cream Social	\$5
NA	8/17	Summer Bingo	\$4					
Special Events								
SE	8/4	Horsing at Canterbury Park & Dinner	\$47/\$54		SE	8/19	Flandrau Park & Lunch in New Ulm	\$45/\$52
SE	8/12	Lunch and a Movie	\$50/\$57		SE	8/26	Big Yellow Barn & Emma Krumbes	\$45/\$52
Special Olympics								
SO	8/23 - 10/28	Flag Football	\$100/\$300		SO	6/28 - 9/23	Softball	\$175/\$375
					SO	7/9 - 9/23	Bocce	\$100/\$300
					SO	7/10 - 9/23	Golf	\$100/\$300

Reminder... All fees must be paid by the date of the event or **\$5 late fee** will be added. Please call LEEP if you need financial assistance through a scholarship or to establish a payment plan.

* Credit card payments are now accepted with a minimal convenience fee and can be processed in the

Participant's Name: _____
 Total Amount Due: _____
 Total Credits: _____
 Total Payment: _____

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Want to know the latest happenings at LEEP quickly and often before they are published in the newsletter? Or do you love to look at pictures and /or videos from past LEEP activities? Well LEEP's got several ways for you to do this. Stay up to date on all of the latest happenings, announcements or give us feedback by following us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Youtube. Find us on: www.facebook.com/LEEP | twitter.com/leepamkato | [YouTube: LEEPmankato](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) | [Instagram: leepamkato](https://www.instagram.com/leepamkato)

Ready to Register?

We have 3 Options Available:

1. Web: www.mankatoleep.org
2. Phone: 507-387-5122
3. E-mail: info@mankatoleep.org



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