

NEWSLETTER

LEISURE EDUCATION



FEBRUARY

FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

*Enriching lives
through inclusive
education,
recreation and
healthy living
opportunities*

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LEGENDS 2022

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

PLEASE BRING YOUR MASK & WEAR YOUR MASK PROPERLY!

LEEP has continued to require EVERYONE to wear masks at night activities for months. VINE also continues to require everyone in its facility to mask. We kindly ask that everyone remembers to bring their own mask to activities and that it is worn properly (covering one's entire mouth AND nose) the entire time we are inside the building. LEEP has disposable masks for those who forget, but they are not meant for all participants at each activity as it can get costly. LEEP staff may ask individuals who do not bring their own mask repeatedly or who do not wear their mask properly to leave the activity for the safety of all.

NO FOOD OR DRINK AT ACTIVITIES!

There should be NO FOOD OR DRINK brought into the VINE building during LEEP activities by participants or their staff. Participants are asked to arrange their schedules so that they eat and drink at other times. Any food or beverages that are brought will NOT be allowed in the activity space.

To sign up for activities you must be a 2022 member of LEEP! The forms are online or can be picked up in the LEEP office.

VALENTINE'S BIRTHDAY BASH BINGO

Tuesday, February 15th

Calling all January AND February birthdays! Join us as we celebrate you and your birthday! Last month we were cancelled, so let's make this month even better by combining the events together!!

****If you have a January OR February birthday you get in FREE****

Call to sign up and reserve your spot....don't forget to let us know what day your birthday is on!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 30
Cost: \$7



LEEP GAME NIGHT

Thursday, February 17th

Bringing back this fun night of games. Take part in a game of Uno, Jenga, Trouble, Dominos and many more with your LEEP friends at VINE! Feel free to challenge the LEEP staff to a game as well!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 30
Cost: \$7



KARAOKE WITH LYLE FOLEN

Tuesday, February 22nd

Come on out and sing along with Lyle on his first night of leading karaoke. Have your song and vocal cords ready to party to all the fun music of the night!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7



FABULOUS FLOWER CRAFT

Thursday, February 24th

Join your LEEP friends to make a beautiful tissue paper flower bouquet. It is sure to be a fun time and the flowers will get you in the mood for spring!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7



NIGHT ACTIVITY REMINDERS

- **SIGN UP BY CALLING LEEP 507-387-5122**
- **PLEASE CALL BEFORE THE FIRST ACTIVITY OF EACH MONTH, AS ACTIVITIES FILL QUICKLY**
- **MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE**
- **VINE DOORS WILL LOCK 5 MINUTES AFTER THE START OF THE ACTIVITY. IF YOU ARE LATE OR YOU DO NOT COME YOU WILL STILL BE CHARGED.**
- **LOCATION: VINE - 421 E. HICKORY ST. - MANKATO, MN 56001**

LEEP REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

- Decide what activities to register for.
- Call LEEP office at 507-387-5122 to register (if no one answers please leave only ONE voicemail). LEEP staff will respond as soon as they can.
- Drop off or mail payment for activities to LEEP at 929 N. 4th St. in downtown Mankato (zip code 56001).
- If needed, request a scholarship for up to 50% of activity cost before the event. Scholarship form is available at www.mankatoleep.org.
- Debit/Credit card payments are accepted in person at the LEEP office with a non-refundable convenience fee.

REMINDERS:

- LEEP has been flexible but is working to get account balances paid in full.
- Please pay for the entire month of activities AFTER LEEP staff confirm your registration.
- Payment plans are available, but should be requested by calling 507-387-5122.
- Cancellations are appreciated as soon as possible. For night activities participants must call the LEEP office no less than 24 hours before the event to get a credit/refund. For special events on weekends they must call Thursday before 12 PM to get a credit/ refund.
- To check on LEEP cancellations please call 507-387-5122 (press 3).

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Looking forward to that special activity, but it's slightly out of your budget? 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, Leagues 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.

X	CODE	DATE	EVENT	FEE
NIGHT ACTIVITIES				
	NA	2/15	V-day B-day Bingo	\$7
	NA	2/17	LEEP Game Night	\$7
	NA	2/22	Karaoke w/ Lyle Folen	\$7
	NA	2/24	Fabulous Flower Craft	\$7
2022 LEEP MEMBERSHIP				\$55
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				

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To make sure you're signed up, please call the LEEP office (507-387-5122) and drop off or mail payment by the date of the first event listed above. PLEASE NOTE: The U.S. Postal System has been extremely slow lately.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____



Leisure Education for Exceptional People

LEEP Members and Friends,

It is with a heavy heart I am writing to share the news I have accepted a new position and am leaving LEEP.

As the Athletic Manager, I've had the pleasure of working with a fantastic team and I am going to miss everyone SO much! LEEP participants have shown me what living life to the fullest really means and I cannot even sum up how grateful I am for that.

My heart has always been in athletics and it is my biggest wish that each of you continue to be involved in athletics, leagues and programs that you love.

These past two years have been very hard and challenging on us all. We have seen many changes, but I believe we will all come out of this stronger than ever. I will continue to be one of your biggest cheerleaders. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for welcoming me in and making these past two years ones I will cherish forever.

All the Best,
Karli DesLauriers



UPDATE



Special Olympics
Minnesota

Due to the continued high rates of Covid-19 and Special Olympics MN's policy, there are currently no sports practices or competitions throughout Minnesota. **Please look in the March newsletter for any updates!**



Now is a good time to make sure that your Special Olympics paperwork is updated! Call the LEEP Office at 507-387-5122 to check!

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		NO ACTIVITIES DUE TO COVID-19 RATES				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		NA: Valentine's B-day Bash Bingo 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		NA: LEEP Game Night 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		NA: Karaoke with Lyle Folen 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		NA: Fabulous Flower Craft 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		
27	28	1	2	3	4	

**SAVE
THE
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**THURSDAY, JULY 14
@ ISG FIELD**

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www.mankatoleep.org
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BECOME A 2022 MEMBER

programming with no limits

LEEP provides leisure education, recreation and healthy living opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As a LEEP member you'll have access to all of the programs offered by LEEP including night activities, special events, and Special Olympics. A yearly membership (January - December) is only \$55. Simply drop off or send a check with "2022 membership" in the memo line. Membership Forms are available online as well.

JOIN LEEP TODAY!
Complete the Membership Form
and receive member benefits!

