

NEWSLETTER

LEISURE EDUCATION



Leisure Education for Exceptional People

APRIL

FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

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

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APRIL ACTIVITIES

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MASKS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED AT NIGHT ACTIVITIES!

Due to low Covid-19 rates, rates are not currently required at night activities at VINE. This is always subject to change, but we will enjoy no masks for now!

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.

****BRING A FRIEND COUPON****

If you use your bring a friend coupon, that friend must be registered ahead of time before the start of the activity/event or else they may not be able to attend the activity/event.

BIRTHDAY BINGO EXTRAVAGANZA

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

Hop on down to VINE and play our BINGO! One lucky "bunny" will win the GRAND PRIZE and take home the "lucky egg"! We will be celebrating April birthdays! ****If you have an April birthday you get in FREE** When you call to register please let us know!**

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

EASTER COOKIE DECORATING

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Come join your LEEP friends as we decorate cookies for Easter!! You can make some to take home for yourself or deliver to friends or family.

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 20
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.
- 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

TREATS & TRIVIA

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

Enjoy yummy treats while we challenge your knowledge of fun trivia facts!

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

MAY DAY BASKETS

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Making a homemade basket for May Day is a great way to spend your night! Perfect to keep for yourself or give to a neighbor or friend!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 20
Cost: \$7

WOW!ZONE BOWLING & PIZZA

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Grab all your friends for bowling & pizza at one of our favorite places in town! We will be bowling for the first hour. After bowling, we will enjoy some delicious pizza & pop to fill our stomachs and rebuild our strength! Please register right away as this event will probably fill up!

Time: 5:00 - 8:00 pm
Location: Wow!Zone (2030 Adams St, Mankato)
Limit: 30
Cost: \$45*

*Cost includes 1 meal, 1 hour of bowling & equipment, event & staffing

NO TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS EVENT

LEEP REGISTRATION CHECKLIST:

- You must be a 2022 LEEP member before registering.
- 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 (4%).

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/SPECIAL EVENT				
	NA	4/7	BDAY BINGO EXTRAV.	\$7
	NA	4/14	EASTER COOKIE DEC.	\$7
	NA	4/21	TREATS & TRIVIA	\$7
	NA	4/28	MAY DAY BASKETS!	\$7
	SE	4/30	WOW!ZONE BOWL/PIZZA	\$45
SPECIAL OLYMPICS				
	SO	MON	BASKETBALL	\$150
	SO	TUES	SWIMMING	\$200
	SO	WEDS	TRACK & FIELD	\$150
	SO	TRANSP.	SPECIAL OLYMPICS	\$30/60
2022 LEEP MEMBERSHIP				\$55
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				

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

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: _____

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES



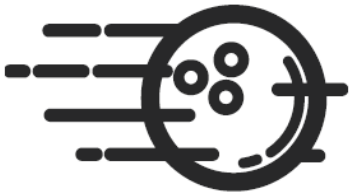
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Mankato, MN 56001
507.625.2695

APPRECIATES YOU

Our Special Needs Community

In appreciation of you,
we would like to extend a
BOWLING SPECIAL

SUNDAY - THURSDAY
\$2.49 BOWLING
\$2.99 SHOES



This offer is also extended to the
Special Needs Staff when
accompanied with client.



Children's Museum
of Southern Minnesota

SPECIAL NEEDS ACCESSIBILITY PLAYTIME



FREE Playdate for children with special needs
or sensory challenges and their families!

Explore the Museum and
experience the Power of
Play when fewer visitors
are present.

2022 SNAP Schedule:

Friday, April 22 4:30-7pm
Friday, July 22 4:30-7pm
Friday, October 28 4:30-7pm

MORE INFO:

cmsouthernmn.org/sensory-friendly/



Scan QR code with
your smartphone
to visit website

LEEP NEEDS YOU!!

WOULD YOU
LIKE TO BE A
TEAM MANAGER
THIS YEAR?

**LEEP
Legends
2022**

THURSDAY, JULY 14
@ ISG FIELD

This is free!

- Assist coaches and captains on one of 2 teams
- Free team jersey
- Attend team practices & game
- Have lots of fun!

Special Olympics - Spring Sports



We are so excited to be able to have Special Olympics sports again! Covid-19 rates are low enough in Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties to practice according to Special Olympics MN's policy. LEEP will continue to monitor this. Practices and competitions may be cancelled or postponed at any time. Regional competition dates for swimming and basketball have not yet been set. We are still in the process of finding a location and night/time for basketball. More information will be given to athletes.

Everything is subject to change!!

Now is a good time to make sure that your Special Olympics paperwork is updated! Athletes are not allowed to participate in Special Olympics practices or tournaments without a current completed Special Olympics medical form. The forms are available at the LEEP office or online at https://specialolympicsminnesota.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/2021_12_somn_app_athlete.pdf.

**Please call the LEEP Office at 507-387-5122
to see if your forms are current!**

SWIMMING



Dates: Tuesdays - March 29 - June 14

Location: Mankato East High School swimming pool (2600 Hoffman Rd, Mankato)

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm (athletes should be dressed and ready to go in the pool at 6 pm!)

Cost: \$200 (Practice & facility fees, use of kick board & pull buoy, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$66 due March 29; \$67 due April 26; \$67 due May 24; State payment (\$100) due in full by April 26

Transportation: Available for practices \$30 1-way; \$60 2-way

Regional Competition: Saturday, June 6 @ To-be-determined

State Competition: Saturday/Sunday, June 18-19 @ St. Thomas University

Special Olympics - Spring Sports (continued)⁶

FULL- & HALF-COURT BASKETBALL



We are looking for more full-court players so we can have a team!

Dates: Mondays - March 14 - June 20

Location: Minnesota Autism Center (2101 Rolling Green Ln, North Mankato)

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Cost: \$150 (Practice & facility fees, use of jersey, equipment, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$50 due week of March 14; \$50 due week of April 18; \$50 due week of May 16; State payment (\$100) due in full week of April 18

Transportation: Available for practices \$30 1-way; \$60 2-way

Regional Competition: Saturday, April 23, 2022 @ St. Clair High School

State Competition: Saturday/Sunday, June 25-26 @ Stillwater High School

TRACK & FIELD



Dates: Wednesdays - April 6 - June 22 (start date depends on weather)

Location: Mankato East High School track (2600 Hoffman Rd, Mankato)

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Cost: \$150 (Practice & facility fees, t-shirt, Regional competition, & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$50 due April 6; \$50 due May 4; \$50 due June 1; State payment (\$100) due in full May 4

Transportation: Available for practices \$30 1-way; \$60 2-way

Regional Competition: Sunday, May 8, 2022 @ Rochester John Marshall High School

State Competition: Friday-Sunday, June 24-26 @ Stillwater High School



APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 SO: Basketball 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ Autism Center (N. Mankato)	5 SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School pool	6 SO: Track & Field 6:30 - 7:30 pm @ East High School track	7 NA: Bday Bingo Extra. 6:00-7:00 pm VINE Rm 510	8	9
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24	25 SO: Basketball 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ Autism Center (N. Mankato)	26 SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School pool	27 SO: Track & Field 6:30 - 7:30 pm @ East High School track	28 NA: May Day Baskets 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510	29	30 SE: Wow!Zone & Pizza 5:00 - 8:00 pm Wow!Zone

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*ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH INCLUSIVE RECREATION,
SPORTING, AND HEALTHY LIVING OPPORTUNITIES.*

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This newsletter is also available on the
LEEP website at 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!

