

NEWSLETTER

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through
inclusive education,
recreation, and
healthy living
opportunities

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MAY ACTIVITIES

MASKS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED AT NIGHT ACTIVITIES!

Due to low Covid-19 rates, masks 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.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

THURSDAY, MAY 5

Mother's Day is just around the corner! Come and join in the fun as we create a card that you can share with your mother, step-mother, or mother figure on her special day.

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

POPCORN & A SHOW

THURSDAY, MAY 26

Unwind with your friends as we slide into the Memorial Day weekend and enjoy a show and some hot delicious popcorn!

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

MAY BIRTHDAY ROOT BEER FLOAT PARTY

THURSDAY, MAY 12

Calling all May birthdays! Join your friends and enjoy some delicious cool and creamy root beer floats to celebrate our May LEEP birthdays! We will enjoy some trivia as we fill our stomachs. ****If you have a May birthday you get in FREE – make sure to let the LEEP staff know when registering.****

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

WOW!ZONE BOWLING & PIZZA

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Grab all of your friends for bowling and pizza at one of our favorite establishments in town! We will be bowling for 1 hour and after we bowl we will enjoy some delicious pizza and pop.

NOTE: This is a NON-TRANSPORTATION event

Time: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Location: Wow!Zone (2030 Adams St, Mankato)
Limit: 35
Cost: \$45*

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

SPRING BINGO

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Check out this month's Bingo event at VINE! Win fun prizes and hang out with all your friends.

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

LEEP REGISTRATION CHECKLIST:

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- 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 | 5/5 | MOTHER'S DAY CARDS | \$7 |
| | NA | 5/12 | BDAY ROOTBEER FLOAT | \$7 |
| | NA | 5/19 | SPRING BINGO | \$7 |
| | NA | 5/26 | POPCORN & A SHOW | \$7 |
| | SE | 5/14 | WOW!ZONE BOWL/PIZZA | \$45 |
| 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: _____



MEET OUR NEW REC LEAD ~ ARISSA!



Arissa is from Eagle Lake, MN and will be attending the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. She will major in film and journalism. She loves to travel, listen to music, and spend time with friends and family. Arissa is also coaching track & field! Welcome to LEEP, Arissa!



AND THE LEEP LEGENDS MANAGERS ARE . . .

GSW ~ Cassie Martin
Country Financial ~ Brooke Quiram

Participate in the LEEP Legends Scrimmage
Tuesday, June 14 @ 5:30 PM @ ISG Field
(NOT STAFFED)

PLEASE CALL THE LEEP OFFICE TO REGISTER!!

Special Olympics - Summer Sports



We are so excited to be able to have Special Olympics sports again! Covid-19 rates are currently low enough in Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties to practice according to Special Olympics MN's policy. LEEP will continue to monitor this. We currently DO NOT need to mask at practices or competitions. Practices and competitions may be cancelled or postponed at any time.

Everything is subject to change at anytime!!

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!**

LEEP is planning to have the following three sports this summer. We are currently in the process of planning for these and will have more information in the June newsletter.

Please call the LEEP office if you are interested in participating.

GOLF



Dates: 1 or 2 nights per week from mid-July to late August

Location: To-be-determined (TBD)

Time: TBD

Cost: \$125 (staffing, apparel, practice & facility fees, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$50 for State competition and transportation

Transportation: Available for practices for additional cost; provided for Regional

Regional Competition: TBD @ TBD

State Competition: Tentatively Sunday, August 21 @ Oak Marsh Country Club, Oakdale

Special Olympics - Summer Sports (continued)

BOCCE BALL

Dates: 1 night per week from mid-July to mid-September

Location: To-be-determined (TBD)

Time: TBD

Cost: \$125 (staffing, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Transportation: Available for practices for additional cost; provided for Regional

Regional Competition: Sunday, August 7 @ Shattuck-St. Mary's, Faribault

State Competition: TBD @ TBD



SOFTBALL

Dates: 1 night per week from mid-July to mid-September

Location: To-be-determined (TBD)

Time: TBD

Cost: \$150 (staffing, practice & facility fees, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$50 for State competition and transportation

Transportation: Available for practices for additional cost; provided for Regional

Regional Competition: August @ Waconia

State Competition: TBD @ TBD



CONGRATULATIONS, BROOKE!



Brooke was named South Minnesota Senior Miss Amazing and was awarded this first place trophy!! She will be traveling to Nashville, TN to compete nationally this year! Congratulations, Brooke! We are PROUD of you!



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | NO BASKETBALL PRACTICE TONIGHT! | SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School pool | SO: Track & Field 6:30 - 7:30 pm @ East High School track | NA: Mother's Day Cards 6:00-7:00 pm @ VINE Rm 510 | 6 | 7 |
| SO: Track & Field Regionals @ Rochester JM  8 | SO: Basketball 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ Autism Center (N. Mankato)9 | SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School pool10 | SO: Track & Field 6:30 - 7:30 pm @ East High School track11 | NA: B-day Rootbeer Floats 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ VINE Rm 51012 | 13 | SE: Wow!Zone & Pizza 11:00 am - 2:00 pm @ Wow!Zone14 |
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| 22 | SO: Basketball 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ Autism Center (N. Mankato)23 | SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School pool24 | SO: Track & Field 6:30 - 7:30 pm @ East High School track25 | NA: Popcorn & A Show 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ VINE Rm 51026 | 27 | 28 |
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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 in the mail 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!

