

# NEWSLETTER

## LEISURE EDUCATION



November

GIVE  
THANKS

## FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

*ENRICHING LIVES  
THROUGH  
INCLUSIVE EDUCATION,  
RECREATION, AND  
HEALTHY LIVING  
OPPORTUNITIES*

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# November Activities

## 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.

## Night Activities

### Fall Birthday Bingo

**Tuesday, November 8**

Join us for another fun night of BINGO and win some awesome prizes! If you have a NOVEMBER birthday you get in FREE.

**\*\*Make sure to mention your November birthday when signing up!\*\***

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** VINE Room 510

**Limit:** 25

**Cost:** \$7

### Game Night & Pizza

**Monday, November 21**

Try your skills at your favorite board game or try a new game while you enjoy pizza and catch up with your friends!

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**Location:** VINE Room 504

**Limit:** 20

**Cost:** \$7

### LEEP Member Thanksgiving Dinner

**Thursday, November 17**

Come enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with your LEEP friends, as well as live music by Christa Bohlmann, and of course—some prizes!

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

**Location:** Wow!Zone Sports Bar Area

**Limit:** 100

**Cost:** \$7 MEMBERS only

\$7 Member's staff or guardian

Cost is low thanks to generous donations from MN Valley Civitan & WOW! Zone.

### Winter Craft

**Tuesday, November 29**

We will provide all of the materials to make a fun winter craft that you can keep for yourself or give to someone as a gift!

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**Location:** VINE Room 504

**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





## 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](http://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](http://www.mankatoleep.org).
- All scholarships are given at the discretion of the Executive Director. Scholarships are limited per event.

# REGISTRATION

X	CODE	DATE	ACTIVITY/EVENT	FEE
NIGHT ACTIVITIES/SPECIAL EVENTS				
	NA	11/8	Fall Birthday Bingo	\$7
	NA	11/17	Thanksgiving Dinner	\$7
			Dinner Staff/Guardian	\$7
	NA	11/21	Game Night & Pizza	\$7
	NA	11/29	Winter Craft	\$7
2023 MEMBERSHIP				
Paperwork & payment before December 31, 2022				\$50
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				

**To make sure you're signed up, please call the LEEP office (507-387-5122) and we will confirm your registration. You may bring the payment to the first activity you participate in. You may also drop off or mail your payment after we confirm your registration. PLEASE NOTE: The U.S. Postal System has been extremely slow lately!!**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_



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# Thank you for joining us at LEEP Elegance 2022!

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## What a fun night!



# 2023 Memberships<sup>5</sup>

Leisure Education for Exceptional People

2023 LEEP membership information is at  
<https://www.mankatoleep.org/membership>.

Membership information will be sent via  
U.S. Mail to CURRENT 2022 members soon!

NEW members, please call the LEEP office at  
507-387-5122 and we will get you membership  
information.

Memberships are \$50 if membership forms,  
additional information, and payments are  
received by December 31, 2022.



After January 1, 2023 all memberships will cost \$55.

## Join Us!

DID YOU KNOW?

The U.S. Mail has been very unpredictable and  
slow lately. If you want to ensure that we  
received something from you at LEEP,  
please drop it off at our office at:

929 N. 4th St; Mankato, MN

There is a secure metal "MAIL" slot at the top  
of the wooden stairs that goes into the building.

LEEP is in the process of hiring  
full-time staff, so if we don't  
answer the phone when you call,  
please leave a message and we  
WILL get back to you as soon as  
we can! We love talking to you!

UPDATE

# Special Olympics

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

Practices and competitions may be cancelled or  
postponed at any time.

**Everything is subject to change!!**



**Special  
Olympics**

## POWER LIFTING



Are you interested in Special Olympics  
Power Lifting this winter?  
We are planning on having a team!

**If you are, please call the LEEP office  
or email [athletics@mankatoleep.org](mailto:athletics@mankatoleep.org)**



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### **Mankato Area Adaptive Ski Program**



The Mankato Area Adaptive Ski Program strives to promote personal growth and life enrichment through teaching individuals with physical disabilities how to ski.

MAASP is a local group of skiers, volunteers and donors who work together to offer adults and youth with physical disabilities the opportunity to learn to ski. We have an awesome time outdoors on the slopes, while we develop friendships with volunteers and fellow-skiers.

Contact Tia Dupont at [tdupon1@isd77.org](mailto:tdupon1@isd77.org) for more information or call Community Education and Recreation at 507-387-5501.

**Please note this is not a LEEP program.**

### **Invitation to Jesus Cares**



Jesus Cares is a Bible study designed for and presented to people with developmental disabilities. Classes begin at 6:30 p.m. and last one hour. In that time participants share in devotion, hear a story from the Bible, sing songs, do an art project, and enjoy time with friends. Meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the social hall at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 1123 Marsh Street. The facility is handicap-accessible, including bathrooms and drive-up parking. If you or anyone you know is interested in hearing more about Jesus Cares, please contact the church (507-345-4966) or Mary Born at (507-388-9220).

**All are welcome!**

**Please note this is not a LEEP program.**



# NOVEMBER 2022

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		1	2 SO: Bowling 4:30 - 5:50 pm @ Wow!Zone PICTURE DAY!	3	4 LEEP OFFICE CLOSED	5
6	7	8 NA: B-day Bingo 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ VINE Rm 510	9 SO: Bowling 4:30 - 5:50 pm @ Wow!Zone	10	11	12  LEEP Invitational Bowling Tournament Afternoon @ Wow!Zone
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20	21 NA: Game Night & Pizza 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ VINE Rm 504	22	23	24 <i>Thanksgiving</i> LEEP OFFICE CLOSED	25 LEEP OFFICE CLOSED	26
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website at [www.mankatoleep.org](http://www.mankatoleep.org)  
Editors: LEEP Team

## BECOME A 2023 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 \$50 (before December 31, 2022) or \$55 (after January 1, 2023). Simply drop off or send a check in the mail with "2023 membership" in the memo line. Membership Forms are available online as well.

**JOIN LEEP TODAY!  
COMPLETE THE MEMBERSHIP  
FORM AND RECEIVE MEMBER  
BENEFITS!**

