

June 2022 Newsletter



Craig Lockard, USA Special Olympics Athlete

One of our own is going to the Special Olympics World Games beginning June 5th, 2022 in Orlando, Florida. Craig Lockard is a 35-year-old athlete who has participated in Special Olympics since 2007.

He really likes Special Olympics as it has helped him make new friends, teaches respect

for other athletes and coaches, and taught him to listen to the coaches. Craig will be competing in the 100 and 200 sprint and the long jump. **Read More**

For more family stories, visit our **<u>Parent to Parent Family Stories</u>** page

A Note from Parent to Parent

Summer is upon us and I for one am happy for a more relaxed schedule, vacations and nice sunny weather. Check out our calendar of events for so many community events that are being offered. Summer is a good time to get your child's Washington State ID. It's important to get this before they turn 18 because it's a lot less paperwork before 18 than afterwards. Check out the Department of Licensing for details. Also, take a ride on the Valley Transit with your kids downtown. It is a fun adventure for the family. Our children as they grow into adults may ride the Valley Transit as their transportation so it is fun to

see what it is like. Valley Transit offers bus training as well to help with learning the routes and the stops your adult may use frequently. And lastly, I hope to see you all at the Memorial Pool on Friday mornings for adaptive swim.

Sincerely, Angie and Ysabel



INVITE YOU TO

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DESSERT

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2022 6:30 PM 1150 W. Chestnut St. In the library



Our network relies on volunteers to make our programs a success. We could not offer the programming that we offer without you, our volunteers, assisting along the way. We appreciate all you do! RSVP by June 1st at www.dn.org

For questions or more information, please contact Angie Witt at 509-540-9880 or p2p@wwvdn.org

RSVP for Volunteer Appreciation Dessert



Informing Families and Parent Coalition Informational Meeting

With Debbie Chapman and Sharon Adolphsen

Wednesday, June 8th at 6:00 PM

Parent to Parent Offices 1150 W. Chestnut St. Walla Walla

RSVP at wwvdn.org

Come learn about these great programs and how to use them and learn how to advocate for your children and families. Your voices are important and can make great change for a better life for all.



RSVP for Information Meeting



HELPING PARENT TRAINING

Saturday, June 11th

11 AM - 3 PM

Center for Children and Families

1150 W. Chestnut St. (formerly Blue Ridge)

Register on our website at wwvdn.org or call Angie Witt at 509-540-9880 for questions.

Do you have a child with a disability? Do you remember getting the diagnosis for your child and the difficulties you had? Do you want to help other parents with information and emotional support?

Training will include: Lunch Skills in communication and active listening Understanding community resources Knowledge and confidence to support others in their journey Interactive opportunities to connect with other parents and share your story





Register for Helping Parent Training

SAVE THE DATE!

Missoula Children's Theatre

Workshop June 29, 2:30 - 3:15 pm Little Theatre of Walla Walla (1130 Sumach, Walla Walla)



Monthly Activities & Events

Mamas Especiales

- Weekday Walks at Murr Park 7:45 am
- Virtual Fridays June 3, 10, 17, & 24 1:00 pm
- Meeting at Center for Children & Families June 21 at 6:00 pm

Columbia County P2P Group

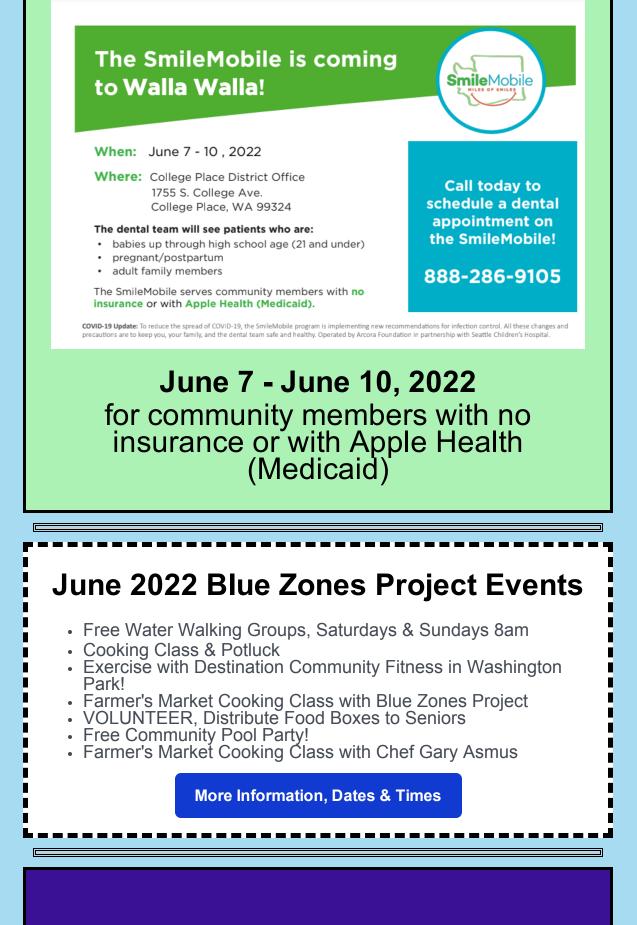
• June 17 at 5:30 pm

Parent to Parent Meetings

June 23 Senior & Caregiver Potluck @ Carla's House at 6:00 pm

See Calendar of Events

Community Happenings



Free Fishing Day

June 12, 2022

Bennington Lake

Goodie bags with hooks, weights and bobbers given to kids 14 and under

Free hot dog and drink

Chance to win new fishing poles and other prizes are given to raffle winners, Casting contest winners and biggest fish winners. Great activity for the whole family.







More Information





June 26: Grease 1st Ave Park Plaza, 1 S. 1st Ave

July 14: Encanto Washington Park, 700 W Cherry St

July 28: Spiderman Heritage Park, 116 E Main

August 11: Ratatouille 1st Ave Park Plaza, 1 S. 1st Ave

August 21: Jungle Cruise Memorial Park, 506 E. Rees Ave.





WA STATE FATHERS NETWORK MONTHLY WEBINARS

Cost: Free

Time: 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual - A Zoom link will be sent a week before each session to those who registered

Men, Women and All Couples Are Welcome

All Sessions Will Be Recorded

SESSION SCHEDULE

- June 7: Supporting Bilingualism for Children with Special Needs
- · July 5: How to Share the Load When Raising a Child with Behavioral Challenges
- August 2: Sexual Assault Awareness & Response: What Parents and Caregivers Need to Know
- September 6: Special Education: 10 Tips for Advocating for Your Child
- October 4: Financial Strategies
- November 1: Guardianships and Special Needs Trusts
- · December 6: Effective Communication as Couples After the Arrival of Children

Register for one or more sessions. The registration page contains links to the session descriptions and information about the presenters.



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