

Community Connections Newsletter

Activities and opportunities to help you gain friendships, grow independence and be included in your community!

Learn & Serve

Bring Payment Activities

Free Activities

Special Olympics Activities

Please note the lower amount of activities offered in November is due to increased Special Olympics activity. We recently started Basketball season with 3 teams, plus Cheerleading, and we have also begun our Swim season with a significant increase in athletes. We hope you will still find several activities below to help you grow friendships, independence and inclusion in our community!

Date	Event	Time
Monday, November 3	Dunaways Trivia Night Enjoy dinner and then play trivia with friends. Bring \$40 for dinner. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	6:00-10:00pm
Tuesday, November 4	Dinner & Movie Enjoy dinner and movie with friends. Bring at least \$45 for dinner and movie tickets. Car leaves at 4:30pm and will return around 10:00pm. LIMIT 8 PEOPLE OR MEET THERE WITH PROPER SUPPORT.	5:00-10:00pm
Wednesday, November 5	Dollar Tree Arts & Crafts Night We will create sensory jars after shopping and picking out craft items at Dollar Tree. Bring \$20 for art supplies. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	4:30-7:00pm
Wednesday, November 5	Cornhole For All Come play a fun game of cornhole with friends at MCBDD.	6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, November 5	Open Gym Pickup Basketball Come play basketball with friends in the MCBDD gym.	7:00-8:30pm
Friday, November 7	Dinner and a Movie at Hayner Cultural Center Eat dinner with friends and then watch the Maltese Falcon at the Hayner Center while enjoying popcorn and soda. Bring \$30 for dinner. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	5:00-9:15pm
Wednesday, November 12	Bingo Night Come play a fun game of Bingo with friends and win prizes at MCBDD.	5:00-6:00pm
Wednesday, November 12	Cornhole For All Come play a fun game of cornhole with friends at MCBDD.	6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, November 12	Open Gym Pickup Basketball Come play basketball with friends in the MCBDD gym.	7:00-8:30pm
Friday, November 14	Cooking A-Z Learn to cook a delicious meal after shopping, picking out ingredients, then returning to MCBDD to follow a simple recipe using the microwave. The group will vote on what meal they want to cook. Take your leftovers and the recipe home to try again later. Bring \$40 for ingredients. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	5:00-8:00pm
Monday, November 17	Adventures in Advocacy We will learn about fire safety in the home from firefighters at Station 11 in Troy. Meet at the Troy Fire Department (110 E. Canal St., Troy)	10:00-11:00am
Tuesday, November 18	Cooking A-Z Learn to cook a delicious meal after shopping, picking out ingredients, then returning to MCBDD to follow a simple recipe using the microwave. The group will vote on what meal they want to cook. Take your leftovers and the recipe home to try again later. Bring \$40 for ingredients. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	5:00-8:00pm
Wednesday, November 19	Game Night Join us to play a variety of online and board games at MCBDD.	5:00-6:00pm
Wednesday, November 19	Cornhole For All Come play a fun game of cornhole with friends at MCBDD.	6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, November 19	Open Gym Pickup Basketball Come play basketball with friends in the MCBDD gym.	7:00-8:30pm

Saturday, November 22	Hometown Holiday Horse Parade Enjoy shopping and dinner with friends. Then watch the fun holiday parade with lighted trucks and tractors in Greenville. Bring \$60 for dinner and shopping. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	4:30-9:00pm
Tuesday, November 25	Aktion Club We will shop for 4 Giving Tree recipients and gift them items from their wishlist. Meet in front of the Subway inside Troy Walmart (1801 W. Main St., Troy)	10:00-11:00am and 12:30-1:30pm
Tuesday, November 25	Cooking A-Z Learn to cook a delicious meal after shopping, picking out ingredients, then returning to MCBDD to follow a simple recipe using the microwave. The group will vote on what meal they want to cook. Take your leftovers and the recipe home to try again later. Bring \$40 for ingredients. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.	5:00-8:00pm
Wednesday, November 26	Karaoke Night Join us for a fun night of singing and being with your friends at MCBDD.	5:00-6:00pm
Wednesday, November 26	Cornhole For All Come play a fun game of corn hole with friends at MCBDD.	6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, November 26	Open Gym Pickup Basketball Come play basketball with friends in the MCBDD gym.	7:00-8:30pm

A Note About Supervision Levels In Our Activities

To ensure that everyone can fully participate and benefit from Community Connections activities, it's important to note that participants need to be able to complete certain tasks independently. This may include being alone in the community for brief periods of time (i.e. staff need to assist someone else with finding the restroom or making a purchase at concessions), following instructions, managing personal funds and belongings, interacting with others, seeking help when needed, using the restroom, navigating through public spaces, purchasing items with minimal assistance in the community, and ordering and eating food at local businesses. If the participant requires additional support with these tasks, please have a caregiver or provider accompany them. This will help ensure they have the best experience possible. Community activities typically take place with a ratio of 1 staff to 4 people served. Activities taking place at MCBDD may have a ratio of 1 staff to 15 people served. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Patrick Kilbane.

How to Register for Activities:

1 - Contact us at
cc@miamicountydd.org
(PREFERRED) or 937-440-3014 and leave a message. Only contact once. Do not email AND call as it slows down our processing time.

2 - Wait for an email or call confirming your activities.

You MUST call to cancel if you cannot make it to a "Bring Payment," limited registration activity that you are confirmed to attend. We often have a waiting list for events and activities. Too many no-call/no-show activities risks your ability to register for future events.

MCBDD Code of Conduct

Participation in MCBDD's Community Connections and Special Olympics activities are a privilege, not a right. Those who participate in any activity are expected to follow our Code of Conduct (below), aimed at ensuring a safe, healthy and enjoyable environment for all.

- I will exhibit agency core values of Respect, Integrity, Teamwork and Accountability while engaging in MCBDD programs.
- I will respect the dignity of all.
- I will act in ways that bring respect to me, MCBDD staff, volunteers and my peers.
- I will practice good sportsmanship.
- I will not use bad language.
- I will not swear or insult other people.
- I will not fight with anyone.
- I will not attempt to intimidate, manipulate, harass or fight with others.
- I will not make inappropriate or unwanted physical, verbal or sexual advances toward others.
- I will not misuse or attempt to damage MCBDD property or equipment.
- I will display appropriate behaviors at all times.
- I will not have a firearm, knife or other dangerous object on my person.
- I will report any illegal or unethical behavior observed during a program to MCBDD staff.
- I will hold myself accountable for my actions.
- I will not willfully interfere with, disrupt or prevent the orderly conduct of any supervised program being conducted by MCBDD staff or volunteers.
- I will obey all laws and MCBDD and Special Olympics rules.

Those who fail to follow the Code of Conduct while attending a MCBDD event will be subject to disciplinary action, which could include: verbal warning, written warning, immediate ejection and/or suspension based on the severity of the offense.