



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

Tues. Dec. 3: Dinner & A Movie

Join the fun with your friends while we dine, then head to the theater to watch a movie together. Bring at least \$40 to spend! Van leaves MCBDD at 4:30pm, returns around 10:00pm
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 8 PEOPLE OR MEET THERE WITH PROPER SUPPORT.

Wed. Dec. 4: Aktion Club - AM - Kevin Hess Knights of Columbus

Join us for a fun way to make friends while developing service and leadership skills!
10-11am at MCBDD (Staunton Room. Enter Gym doors)

Wed Dec. 4: Karaoke Night

Join us for a fun night of singing, laughing and having fun!
5:30-7:00pm at MCBDD Training Center
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Wed. Dec. 4: Game Night

Do you like video games or board games? Join us for a fun night for all to enjoy! We will have a variety of board games in addition to some video games to play on the big screens.
7:00-8:30pm at MCBDD Training Center
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Sat. Dec. 7: Brukner Nature Center Hike and Arts & Crafts Show

Come discover hundreds of one-of-a-kind handmade items created by talented local artisans!
Explore the wildlife exhibits, take a hike through the woodlands and birdwatch in Brukner's 3rd story tree-top vista.
9:30am-12:30pm (Leave MCBDD at 9:30am, return at 12:30pm)
REGISTRATION REQUIRED LIMIT 4 PEOPLE

Sun. Dec. 8: Cooking A-Z (Meatloaf)

Join us for a fun day of shopping, preparing, cooking and eating foods that can be made in the microwave from scratch for \$20. We will take you to the store to shop for ingredients, then cook, eat and clean up!
12:30-3:30pm (Leave MCBDD at 12:30pm; event ends at 3:30pm)
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE.

Tues. Dec. 10: Dinner & A Movie

Join the fun with your friends while we dine, then head to the theater to watch a movie together. Bring at least \$40 to spend. Van leaves MCBDD at 4:30pm, returns around 10:00pm
REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 8 PEOPLE OR MEET THERE WITH PROPER SUPPORT.

Wed. Dec. 11: Aktion Club - PM - Wrap Christmas Gifts

Join us for a fun way to make friends while developing service and leadership skills!

3:30-4:30pm at MCBDD (Springcreek Room. Enter Gym doors)

Wed. Dec. 11: Bingo Night

Come play bingo with friends and win fun prizes.

5:30-7:00pm at MCBDD Training Center

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Wed. Dec. 11: Game Night

Do you like video games or board games? Join us for a fun night for all to enjoy! We will have a variety of board games in addition to some video games to play on the big screens.

7:00-8:30pm at MCBDD Training Center

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Fri. Dec. 13: Eaton Whispering Christmas Lights and Dinner

Enjoy dinner and Fort St. Clair Park as it is decorated with millions of holiday lights each year for the annual Whispering Christmas display.

4:30-9:30pm (Leave MCBDD at 4:30, return around 9:30pm)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE.

Sat. Dec. 14: Timber and Bow - Early Intervention Event

Come meet and play with other families who have children in Early Intervention.

3:00-5:00pm

at Timber and Bow, 71 Foss Way in Troy

REGISTRATION PREFERRED.

Sun. Dec. 15: Special Olympics Basketball Tournament

Registration for Special Olympics Basketball has closed, please reference your team calander for more information.

Wed. Dec. 18: Advocacy - AM - Dungeons & Dragons and Decisions

Join our popular Advocacy program to include people who are more available early in the day. Come and learn about speaking up and making informed decisions in YOUR life.

10-11am at MCBDD (Staunton Room. Enter Gym doors)

Wed. Dec. 18: Bingo Night

Come play bingo with friends and win fun prizes.

5:30-7:00pm at MCBDD Training Center

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Wed. Dec. 18: Game Night

Do you like video games or board games? Join us for a fun night for all to enjoy! We will have a variety of board games in addition to some video games to play on the big screens.

7:00-8:30pm at MCBDD Training Center

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Fri. Dec. 20: Santa Claus Event

Stop by to visit with Santa and get your picture taken with him! This will take place during the first hour of our Holiday Dance (see below), so stay after pictures and get in the holiday spirit with your friends!

5:30-6:30pm (at the MCBDD Training Center/Staunton Room across from Gym)

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Fri. Dec. 20: Holiday Dance

Come out and dance with friends and get in the holiday spirit! We'll have an exciting DJ to make it a holly jolly time!

5:30-8:30pm (in the MCBDD gym)

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Sat. Dec. 21: BMI Light Show

BMI is showcasing their internal laser lights set to Christmas inspired music.

3:30-7:00pm. Van leaves MCBDD at 3:30pm, returns around 7:00pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE

Sun. Dec. 22: Cooking A-Z (Shake 'N Bake Chicken)

Join us for a fun day of shopping, preparing, cooking and eating foods that can be made in the microwave from scratch for \$20. We will take you to the store to shop for ingredients, then cook, eat and clean up!

3:30-6:30pm (Leave MCBDD at 3:30pm; event ends at 6:30pm)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE

Fri. Dec. 27: Dinner and Shopping at The Greene

Have fun at dinner with friends and then go on a shopping trip.

Van leaves MCBDD at 4:30pm, returns around 9:30pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE OR MEET THERE WITH PROPER SUPPORT.

Sun. Dec. 29: Cooking A-Z (Parsley Potatoes)

Join us for a fun day of shopping, preparing, cooking and eating foods that can be made in the microwave from scratch for \$20. We will take you to the store to shop for ingredients, then cook, eat and clean up!

3:30-6:30pm (Leave MCBDD at 3:30pm; event ends at 6:30pm)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 PEOPLE

Tues. Dec. 31: Dinner & A Movie

Join the fun with your friends while we dine, then head to the theater to watch a movie together.

Bring at least \$40 to spend. Van leaves MCBDD at 4:30pm, returns around 10:00pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 8 PEOPLE OR MEET THERE WITH PROPER SUPPORT.

How to Register for Community Connections Activities:

- 1 Contact us at email 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.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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.

Thank you for your cooperation!