

# volunteer FOCUS

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## April formal a smashing start to spring

Residents of Hattie Larlham group homes gathered this April for the annual Spring Formal. Attendees enjoyed dinner with family and friends and danced the night away to their favorite songs. Special thanks go out to the wonderful student volunteers from Hathaway Brown and to our volunteer DJ Tony Bulone.



Alexa Magyari, a sophomore at the Hathaway Brown Upper School, did a great job organizing her group, making residents feel welcome and assisting with all aspects of the event. Tony made time in his busy weekend away from his job here at Hattie Larlham to provide the soundtrack to the evening, much to the delight of all in attendance.

## Volunteers needed for outdoor fundraisers

This spring and summer, enjoy the sunshine and warm weather while supporting our mission by volunteering at one or several of our fun events.

The season kicks off on May 20 with our annual Sugar Bush Golf Classic. This shotgun-style golf tournament has raised more than \$462,000 in net proceeds throughout the past 22 years. Volunteers are needed to assist with registration, hospitality and contest holes for morning and afternoon rounds at the Sugar Bush Golf Club in Garrettsville.

The Liberty Corners merchants of Streetsboro will host their 3rd annual Hats Off to Hattie event on June 6. The organizers hope to raise more than \$10,000 for Hattie Larlham. This year's event will include 4-H animals and an enclosed bouncing gym. Also planned are a cornhole tournament, a car wash, a Red Cross blood drive and live entertainment. Volunteers are needed to assist with set up, activities and clean up. This is a great opportunity for families and youth groups.

Save the date for the 16th annual Motorcycle Benefit Ride for Hattie Larlham on July 26. Proceeds benefit Hattie Larlham, and the event provides a great opportunity for residents at the Center for Excellence to get an up-close look at the bikes and perhaps go for a ride in a sidecar. Volunteers for the event assist by pushing wheelchairs and accompanying individuals outdoors.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these events, please contact Jenna Allen or Jessica Boal for more information.

## Northampton gals enjoy puppies and pampering

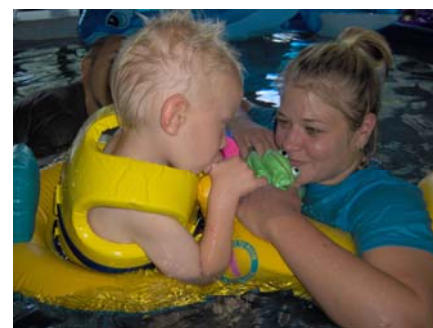
The women at Northampton had a full weekend of pampering and meeting new people with two volunteer visits that filled the home with laughter. Our dear friends in the Park family brought their shitzu, Mocha, for some petting, prancing and puppy love. The girls really liked meeting Mocha and her partner Kodiak, a black retriever.

As the ladies bid farewell to the dogs, employee volunteer Amber Wick arrived with friends from her University of Akron nursing program to give the girls sparkling manicures that included glittering décor. Amber and friends began with gentle hand washing and massages, then helped the girls choose colors and accents. By the time volunteers had fans running to dry nails, everyone could reflect on the beautiful results from a little spa care manicure.



## Summer camps at Hattie Larlham

It is time again for summer camps at the Hattie Larlham Center for Excellence. With the recent addition of The Play Center at Hattie Larlham, a greater variety of camp experiences will be available this summer. Volunteers ages 14 and older are needed from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each camp day.



We encourage you to choose camp sessions that appeal to your interests to insure a great camp experience for campers and volunteers alike. Remember, it is not too early to start signing up for the camp sessions you choose! If you are interested in volunteering at camp, please contact Jenna Allen or Jessica Boal. If you have a child that would like to attend camp and need more information or registration forms, please contact Karen Stoltzfus at ext. 3102.

### Camp Connect

This camp brings typically developing children from area communities together with the children at Hattie Larlham. This integrated atmosphere creates social bonds that dispel myths about disabilities. Daily activities include disability awareness and inclusion lessons along with educational games and programs.

*Dates: July 6-10 & August 3-7 (ages 5-12)*

### Connect with Play

This camp is designed for children with autism spectrum disorders or sensory processing issues. Camp activities include structured cooking and music activities as well as a wealth of self-directed sensory and play activities.

*Dates: June 15-19, July 13-17, July 27-31, August 12, 19 & 26 (ages 4-10)  
June 29-July 3 (ages 13-19)*

### Connecting with Movement

This camp is designed to support children who may have motor planning or movement disabilities. Activities include bicycle riding and other large muscle play activities along with creative art and fine motor play experiences to develop handwriting skills.

*Dates: June 22-26 & July 20-24 (ages 4-10)*

## Bloom & Bunny Party celebrates spring



Supported living home residents enjoyed the annual Bloom & Bunny Party hosted at Immaculate Heart of Mary church to bid farewell to winter and welcome spring. Volunteers from Manchester and Fletcher halls at Kent State University, once again brought the party to life. Friends from Dominion East Ohio joined

us, adding special touches to create a airy and colorful spring party atmosphere. After volunteers served lunch, guests enjoyed dancing, karaoke, bunny bingo and an indoor cornhole competition.

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## May and June 2009

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue   | Wed                            | Thu  | Fri                   | Sat  |
|--|--|---|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| May  |  |   |                                |  | 1                     | 2<br>Spring Garden Spruce-Up 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.           |
| 3<br>Bethel Baptist Bible Service 2-3 p.m. | 4<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.                                 | 5<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.<br>Pet Pals 6:30-7:30 p.m.   | 6                              | 7<br>Open Activity with PowerCorps 6:30-8 p.m.<br>✧ Help Me Grow 5:30-8:30 p.m.              | 8                     | 9  |
| 10   | 11<br>YVC Activity 6:30-8 p.m.                               | 12<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.                             | 13                             | 14<br>Movie Night 5:30-8 p.m.<br>✧ Help Me Grow 5:30-8:30 p.m.                               | 15                    | 16   |
| 17   | 18<br>May Birthday Party 6-8 p.m.<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m. | 19<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.                             | 20<br>Sugar Bush Golf Classic  | 21<br>✧ Help Me Grow 5:30-8:30 p.m.  | 22<br>✧ Prom 6-8 p.m. | 23   |
| 24<br>Catholic Mass 1:30-3 p.m.            | 25<br>Memorial Day   | 26<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.<br>YVC Activity 6:30-8 p.m. | 27                             | 28<br>Group Activity with Bethel Baptist Church 6:30-8 p.m.<br>✧ Help Me Grow 5:30-8:30 p.m. | 29                    | 30   |
| 31<br>Friendship Bible Service 2-3 p.m.    |  |   |                                |  |                       |  |
| June                                       | 1  | 2<br>✧ Evening Swim 6-8 p.m.<br>Pet Pals 6:30-7:30 p.m.   | 3                              | 4<br>Open Activity with PowerCorps 6:30-8 p.m.<br>✧ Help Me Grow 5:30-8:30 p.m.              | 5                     | 6<br>Hats Off to Hattie at Streetsboro Corners 11 a.m.-3p.m. |
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*All of the activities listed on our calendar are open to volunteers; activities marked with a "✧" are limited to volunteers ages 16 and older. If you would like to learn more about any of these activities or if you're ready to sign up, please contact a member of our volunteer resources department.*