

The Autism Program at CTF ILLINOIS

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Danville Sibshop

Siblings in Danville enjoyed Sibshop, held May 4th. When asked what the participants enjoyed most about Sibshop, we got a variety of answers. Several children said, "group juggling." Another said, "meeting new friends." One child said, "different ways of communicating with your brother," and another said, "everything!" Thanks to all the parents that took the time to bring your child to Sibshop and for participating in Parent Connect. These are awesome Siblings!









TAP & SIU School of Medicine—Telehealth with Dr. Bennett Leventhal—8:30—9:30 a.m.—Available to parents and providers at the following locations unless otherwise stated:

TAP at CTF ILLINOIS—6081 Development Drive, Charleston **Helen Matthes Library**—100 East Market Avenue, Effingham **CTF ILLINOIS**—511 East Main, Olney

June 5—Case Consultation from FASTT (not available in Effingham; professionals only)

TAP Activities & Events





Teen Connect/YAC of Champaign

June 14— Guys Day Out—Hot Slots, 1809 Philo Road at Sunny Crest Mall, Urbana—1:00—3:00 p.m. Afterwards we will walk to La Fiesta Mexican Restaurant or Sunny China Buffet for dinner. Cost: \$12 per person for Hot Slots and extra money for dinner. Your father, grandfather, or uncle may attend with you.

June 18—Let's Go Fishing—Free Fishing Clinic—Crystal Lake Park, Urbana—1:00—3:30 p.m. Fishing equipment and bait will be provided. We will learn fishing safety and techniques. You do not have to have a fishing license to attend. Afterwards we will walk to Jimmy John s or Windy City located on University Avenue for an early dinner. Registration is required for the clinic. Please contact Cathy Testory at 217.722.4482 or cathytestory@ctfillinois.org for more information.





Young Adult Club of Champaign

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June 9, 10, 12—*Ausome'* Explorers Science Camp—Olney Free Methodist Church, 223 W Cherry Street—10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon.

June 24, 25, 26— 'Ausome' Explorers Science Camp—Charleston—Kiwanis Park, Division & Jackson Street—9:00—11:00 a.m.

July 8, 9, 10— 'Ausome' Explorers Science Camp—Effingham—First Baptist Church, 213 West Fayette Avenue—9:00—11:00 a.m.

This year's camp activities will focus on *body science*. Visuals will be provided. Camp is for ages 8-12, siblings are welcome! Registration is required for all children. To register:

http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/QZGpBK9b9O0iWf

http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/NF07kqvPdtdd79j6zOcc1bf http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/82UYar5B12y

All three links must be submitted to register. For more information call 217.348.3869 x206 or email cherylsowers@ctfillinois.org





June 13—Adult Social—T Garden-Thai, 1140 Lincoln Avenue, Charleston—11:00 a.m.

This group is for adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder ages 18 and older. We will use this opportunity to practice social etiquette while enjoying a meal and time with others. Each person is responsible for his/her cost of meal, tip (if applicable) and transportation to and from the restaurant. To RSVP or for more information contact Cheryl at 217.348.3869 x206 or cherylsowers@ctfillinois.org

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June 19—Play Group —The Autism Program—6081 Development Drive, Charleston— **10:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.** Play group meets the third Thursday of each month, for children ages 2-5. Most of the play session is structured play activities that promote positive interactions amongst the children. To register and for more information contact Cheryl at cherylsowers@ctfillinois.org or 217.348.3869 x 206.





June 21—Autism Carnival—YMCA—221 N. 16th Street, Mattoon—2:00—4:00 p.m. Come out and join The Autism Program for another 'Ausome' Carnival. Enjoy bounce houses, fun and games! Visuals will be provided for the event. Other agencies will also have resources available. For more information please contact Cheryl at <u>cherylsowers@ctfillinois.org</u> or 217.348.3869 x206.





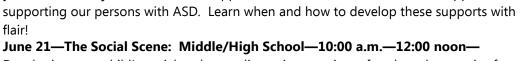
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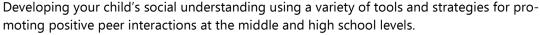


ISTAC-IATTAP—Parent Learning Community Webinars. A series of free webinars. CPDUs and Certificates of Attendance available. To view these and other topics and/or register visit: www.illinoisautismproject.org

June 6—Summertime Structure—11:00 a.m.—12:00 noon. Start the summer with building structure and order into your summer plans using schedules, task/work bins and teaching while still having fun.

June 11—Supports with Flair: Using Social Narratives and Power Cards—6:00—8:00 **p.m.** More than just visuals, these supports include a social and behavioral approach to supporting our persons with ASD. Learn when and how to develop these supports with







YMCA—Autiswim Camp (swim lessons for kids with autism or special needs). Autiswim is a 5 week structured program, for children with Autism or other disabilities and with their parent or caregiver assisting in the water. Class focuses on pool safety, developing swimming skills, and being confident in or around the water using visual and sensory aids. Session 1: May 30—June 27—5:00—5:45 p.m.

Session 2: July 11—August 8—5:00—5:45 p.m.—Registration: June 10—July 5 Cost is \$20 for members—\$40 for non-members

For more information contact Jill Rohr at irohr@mattoonymca.org or 217.234.9494 x230.

June 29—Open Swim for Families with Special Needs. 4:30—6:30 p.m. Sponsors are needed to keep this program at no cost for families. If no sponsor is found, there is a cost for families to attend. Fees if not sponsored: \$5 individual or \$10 per family.





Bright Minds—7704 Deerpath Road, Charleston—check out the services and events provided by Bright Minds at: http://www.embracingautism.org/ or they can also be found on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Embracing-Autism/124942250866219



Other Activities of Interest



Every Tuesday—Story Time—Helen Matthes Library—100 East Market Avenue, Effingham—Ages 0-5 years—10:00 a.m.—Stories, songs, and lots of fun! No registration required.

June 6—9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. and June 7—9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.—Summer Book Sale

June 18—1:00 p.m.— Movie Matinee—Babe. All ages welcome Enjoy free popcorn. Visit **www.effinghamlibrary.org** or call 217.342.2464.

June 30—10:00 a.m.—Firefighters visiting the library and sharing a story!

Come see their fire truck, watch a sparkler demonstration, and lean how to be safe this Fourth of July! All ages. Registration is required by calling 217.342.2464 or online at: http://engagedpatrons.org/EventsRegister.cfm?
SiteID=4680&EventID=207186



June 5—The Autism Support Connection Support Group—6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m. Free Methodist Church, 1400 Seymour Avenue, Hillsboro. Meetings are open to all interested parents, grandparents and individuals who are affected by autism and other related disorders. Child care is provided at each meeting in a safe, secure and understanding environment by certified district teachers. For more information contact tascillinois@gmail.com or Kim Draper at 217.710.3598.



June 7, 14, 21, 28—Challenger Baseball—ages K-22 who cannot participate in regular baseball. About 100 kids play on 8 teams. They play 4 games every Saturday morning. There are 10 kids/teams. Each has a buddy. They play 2-3 innings, batting by tee or pitch. One week they play at Danville Stadium. For more information: http://www.danvilleambucs.com/projects/challenger.html or email challengerbaseball@danvilleambucs.com or call Lori Lyons at 217.898.5753.



June 14—Sensory Friendly Film—Orpheum Theatre, Hillsboro—1:00 p.m. How to Train your Dragon—Admission: \$3. You may bring your own snacks. Contact tascillinois@gmail.com or Kim at 217.710.3598 for more information.



June 21—Sensory Friendly Movie—Mattoon AMC Theatre—10:00 a.m. How to Train your Dragon 2—Tickets can be purchased on the day of the screening for \$5. Movie dates are subject to change. To verify showing of movie, dates, and time please visit: www.amctheatres.com/SFF/



Effingham Park District has many opportunities for children this summer. Check them out at http://www.effinghamparkdistrict.org/



Effingham Farmer's Market—Saturday mornings—8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Fresh and local foods, handmade crafts and live music. Come out and support the community. For more information call 217.342.5310.



Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts for Special Needs now forming. The new group will need 5 boys in each group to begin. The VFW Men's Auxiliary will sponsor a Boy Scouts pack and the VFW Women's Auxiliary will sponsor a Cub Scouts pack. If interested or for more information contact: tricialblack@yahoo.com or 443.670.4908 or 410.382.2404.











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