



Community Connections Newsletter

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

General Updates

Community Connections Facilitator Joy Starry's last day with us was April 19, as she moves onto a new adventure in her career. We thank her for her many years of service and wish her all the best!

Events for kids are included in categories below. Please contact us if you have questions or need clarification on whether an activity is age-appropriate for your child.

We are noticing more venues moving to cashless systems, so we encourage everyone to learn how to use debit cards (can be set up at banks with spending limits) or pre-paid cards. Please keep this in mind when bringing money with you.

To keep registration as smooth as possible, please only register once. Do not register via email AND phone. One method is sufficient.

Free Activities

First Friday Art Hop at Front Street Gallery

Explore studios, galleries, shops and boutiques right in the heart of Dayton's Arts District! Visit with more than 250+ artists, creatives and curators. Food truck available for dinner. Bring funds if you expect to eat or wish to buy something.

REGISTER TO ATTEND. LIMIT 6.

Fri. May 3

4:30-9:30pm

Car leaves Riverside at 4:30 and returns at 9:30pm

Fishing Derby for Developmentally Disadvantaged

The North Dayton Anglers will host its 36th Annual Fishing Derby. The Club will provide food, drinks, prizes and fish. Due to the terrain, there is unfortunately no access for people with wheelchairs. Bring your own chair or blanket to sit on. Fishing tackle and bait will be furnished, and helpers will be available to assist with bait, fish removal, etc.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Sat. June 1

8am-4pm

at North Dayton Anglers Farm
5830 Elizabeth-Bethel Rd.
Tipp City

Leave Riverside at 8am

Return at 4:30pm

Hiking/Walking at Hobart Nature Preserve

Join friends for some fresh air and a little exercise as we walk through this great touch of nature in the middle of Troy.

REGISTER TO ATTEND. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Tue. May 28 from 3-5pm

Tue. June 18 from 2-4pm

Tue. June 25 from 3-5pm

Leave Riverside at start time and return at end time

Library for All

Meet at the Troy-Miami County Public Library for a fun adult craft or activity.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. MEET THERE. LIMIT 4.

Wed. May 8

Wed. June 12

12-1pm

at Troy-Miami County Public Library, 419 W. Main St., Troy

Miamibucs Triathlon for Kids (EVENT IN JULY)

Children ages 4-16 with different abilities are invited to participate in this adapted triathlon (assistance provided as needed), hosted by Miamibucs.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED THROUGH MIAMIBUCS USING QR CODE OR VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.ZEFFY.COM/EN-US/TICKETING/16794EB0-2CDB-4AF3-AFFA-F7AE57999FE0](https://www.zeffy.com/en-us/ticketing/16794EB0-2CDB-4AF3-AFFA-F7AE57999FE0)



Sun. July 28

9am-12pm

at Troy Aquatic Park
460 West Staunton Dr., Troy

Moms' Night Out

Enjoy time with other moms traveling a similar path.

REGISTRATION PREFERRED TO ENSURE SEATING. MOMS ONLY, PLEASE.

Tue. May 7

6-8pm

Meet at Glacier View Coffee, 20 N. High St.
Covington

Page Turners Book Club for Adults

Meet at the Troy-Miami County Public Library to discuss a book with friends.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. MEET THERE.

Thur. May 2 from 1-2pm

Thur. June 6 from 11am-12pm

at Troy-Miami County Public Library, 419 W. Main St., Troy

Playground Series for Kids & Parents

Meet and play with new friends at local parks, hosted by Riverside staff!

REGISTRATION PREFERRED.

Tue. May 21, 4-5:30pm

Meet at West Milton Municipal Park
251 East Tipp Pike West Milton

Mon. June 17, 4-6pm

Meet at Kyle Park, S 1st St, Tipp City

Riverside BINGO

Bring your own snacks and drinks for fun BINGO games with friends!

REGISTER TO ATTEND. NEW RULE: 1 CARD PER PERSON. PRIZE LIMIT.

Fri. May 24 from 6:30-8pm

Mon. June 10 from 5:30-6:30pm

at Riverside (Training Center)

Riverside Karaoke

Join us for a fun night of singing, laughing and having fun!

Feel free to bring snacks.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 30 PEOPLE.

Fri. May 24

8:30-9:30pm

at Riverside (Training Center)

Riverside Movie Night

Bring your dinner and join your friends for a great movie!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Fri. May 31 from 6:30-9pm

Fri. June 21 from 7-9:30pm

at Riverside (Training Center)

SibShops - events (for siblings ages 7-12)

Siblings of kids with disabilities find peer support in a lively, recreational setting.

REGISTER WITH KAREN AT 937-440-3020 OR SIBS@RIVERSIDEDD.ORG. MEET THERE.

Fri. May 10

5:30-8pm

at Connections of Tipp City

135 E W Main St, Tipp City

Tots Move and Groove (for ages 2-5)

Kids 2-5 years old move, groove and listen to music while getting exercise and meeting new friends!

REGISTRATION PREFERRED.

Wed. June 5

1:30-3:30pm

Meet at Northview Park (All Inclusive Playground)

Lavon Ct, Dayton, OH 45415

Yoga

Join us for a session designed for beginners and people of all abilities!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. LIMIT 12 PEOPLE.

Fri. May 10

10-11am

at Riverside (Training Center or Gym)

Learn & Serve

Advocacy: Adventures in Advocacy - AM

Come and learn about speaking up and making informed decisions in YOUR life.

Wed. May 15 - Ohio Tech Ambassadors (meeting at RT Industries)

No June 19 meeting (closed for Juneteenth)

10-11am

Advocacy: Adventures in Advocacy - PM

At our traditional afternoon time. Come and learn about speaking up and making informed decisions in YOUR life.

Wed. May 22 - Alicia Barton, OSU Extension

Wed. June 26: Ohio Tech Ambassadors

3:30-4:30pm

at Riverside (Springcreek Room. Enter Gym doors)

Aktion Club - AM

We are adding a morning session of our popular service & leadership club, which is a branch of Kiwanis International. It is a fun way to make friends while developing service and leadership skills!

Wed. May 1: Miamibucs adaptive tryke program

Wed. June 5: Riverside Early Intervention

10-11am

at Riverside (Springcreek Room. Enter Gym doors)

Aktion Club - PM

At our traditional afternoon time. Join us for a fun way to make friends while developing service and leadership skills!

Wed. May 8: Miamibucs adaptive tryke program

Wed. June 12: Riverside Early Intervention

3:30-4:30pm

at Riverside (in Training Center, Staunton Room)

Bring Payment Activities (NOTE: Many Locations Now Cashless)

2nd Street Market

Join us as we explore the variety of vendors and artisans at this event offering special after-hours shopping and dining opportunities.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 FOR DINNER/SHOPPING. LIMIT 6 PEOPLE.

Thur. June 13

4:30-9pm

Leaves Riverside at 4:30
and return at 9pm

BINGO at EndZone Sports Lounge

We will make new friends in the community while playing fun games of BINGO!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$35 TO PLAY/EAT. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Tue. May 14

Tue. June 25

5:30-9:45pm

Leaves at 5:30pm
and return at 9:45pm

Canal Music Fest

Check out Aerosmith tribute band and enjoy food from a variety of food trucks. No backpacks or coolers permitted at this event.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING AT LEAST \$20. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Sat. June 8

4:30-10:30pm

Leaves Riverside at 4:30
and return at 10:30pm

Dad's Night Out (for fathers/father figures of people served)

Get to know other dad figures who are traveling a similar path in a low-key, relaxing setting.

BRING \$ TO EAT/DRINK. MEET THERE. DADS ONLY, PLEASE.

Thur. June 27

6-8pm

at Tipp City Pizza

Dayton Dragons Baseball Game

Join us for a fun time at Day Air Ballpark as we cheer on the Dayton Dragons baseball team! Tickets are FREE - donated by Troy Fish & Game or Dayton Dragons

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$ FOR CONCESSIONS.

LIMIT 3 PEOPLE MOST GAMES.

Wed. May 1

Sat. May 4

Fri. May 17

Thur. June 6

Wed. June 12

Fri. June 14 (Limit 12 this game)

Sat. June 15

5:30-10:30pm

Leave Riverside at 5:30

Return at 10:30pm

Dinner & A Movie

Join the fun with your friends while we dine and watch a movie together in Huber Heights!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING AT LEAST \$40.

**LIMIT 3 PEOPLE FOR TRANSPORTATION, OR YOU ARE
WELCOME TO MEET US THERE!**

Tue. May 7

Tue. May 14

Tue. May 21

Tue. May 28

Tue. June 4

Tue. June 11

Tue. June 18

Tue. June 25

Van leaves Riverside at 4:30pm returns approximately at 10pm

Fridays on Prouty Plaza - Cleveland Keys Dueling Pianos

Join us to enjoy a concert on the square in lovely downtown Troy. The concert is free, but you are welcome to bring funds in case you would like to shop or buy food or drinks from local merchants.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$ TO EAT/DRINK. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Fri. June 21

7:30-9pm

Leave Riverside at 7:30; Return at 9pm

Gaming Adventures

A fun trip to Gaming Adventures in Englewood, with video games & gaming systems!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 FOR GAMES & PIZZA/SNACK BAR.

Thur. May 16

Car leaves Riverside at 5:30pm

Returns at 8:30pm

Music Bingo at Moeller Brew Barn

Eat dinner and play music bingo with friends in the community!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$35 FOR DINNER.

Thur. May 16

Thur. June 27

5:30-9:30pm

Leave Riverside at 5:30pm; Return at 9:30pm

Piqua Taste of the Arts

Sample great food from local vendors while enjoying arts and music in downtown Piqua.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 FOR SPENDING. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Fri. May 17

5-9:30pm

Leave Riverside at 5pm; Return at 9:30pm

Rock Piqua Food Truck & Music Festival

Spend time with friends and make new ones at this outdoor concert featuring a day-full of fun bands, delicious food trucks and a car show!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 TO SHOP & EAT. LIMIT 6 PEOPLE.

Sat. June 22

2:30-10pm

Leave Riverside at 2:30pm, return at 10pm

Scene 75 - Special Needs Program

FREE program for those with special needs. The program has been developed to help improve social and motor skills, hand-eye coordination, reaction time and recognition ... all in a safe, controlled and FUN environment.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$ TO EAT & PLAY. LIMIT 3.

Thur. May 2

2:15-6:45pm

Leave Riverside at 2:15pm

Return at 6:45pm

Scene 75

Have a blast with your friends at the famous activity center! We will eat dinner first and then head to Scene 75 for fun!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$50+ TO EAT & PLAY. LIMIT 3.

Thur. May 23

Thur. May 30

4:30-8:30pm

Leave Riverside at 4:30pm

Return at 8:30pm

Spring Open House at Bear's Mill in Greenville

Check out fun grinding demonstrations with the Miller in addition to their products and free samples in the store!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$ FOR SPENDING. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Sat. May 4

11am-2pm

Leave Riverside at 11am; Return at 2pm

St. Christopher Summer Festival

Enjoy food, games, music and rides at this fun community event!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 TO EAT & SPEND. LIMIT 3.

Fri. June 7

5:30-10pm

Leave Riverside at 5:30pm, Return at 10pm

Taste of Tipp

Taste delicious food samples from 13 amazing local businesses! Over 60 exhibitor spaces are available to our local businesses.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$35 FOR FOOD/DRINKS. LIMIT 6 PEOPLE.

Thur. May 2

4-8pm

Car leaves Riverside at 4pm

Return at 8pm

Trivia Night at Referees Sports Bar

We'll eat and play trivia at Referees Sports Bar in Piqua.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$40 FOR FOOD/DRINKS. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Tue. June 11

5-9:30pm

Car leaves Riverside at 5pm

Return at 9:30pm

Water Park Fun!

Splash, play and have fun with friends at area water parks!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. BRING \$ FOR ADMISSION/CONCESSIONS.

Thur. June 20 from 12-5pm (Sidney Water Park)

Thur. June 27 from 3:30-7:30pm (Adventure Reef, Kettering)

Leave/return to Riverside at times listed above

Special Olympics Sporting Events

Powerlifting (Info for Fans)

Come out to cheer on the Miami County athletes!

NO REGISTRATION. MEET THERE WITH SUPPORT AS NEEDED.

Sat. May 18

Regional Powerlifting Tournament, location TBD

Check Facebook or call for details closer to event

State Summer Games (Save the Date)

Travel to Ohio State to cheer on our athletes!

NO REGISTRATION. MEET THERE WITH SUPPORT AS NEEDED.

Fri. June 28 - Sun. June 30

at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

Volleyball Games (Info for Fans)

Come out to cheer on the Miami County athletes at upcoming Home and Away Games!

NO REGISTRATION. MEET THERE WITH SUPPORT AS NEEDED.

Mon. May 13

AWAY game at Madison County, 6pm

Wed. May 29

HOME Game vs. Clark Co at 7 & 8pm

Mon. June 3

HOME Game vs. Madison Co. at 7 & 8pm

Prepay Activities

Advanced Cooking at Riverside

Try new recipes and grow your cooking skills alongside friends!



REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$10 PER CLASS REQUIRED. LIMIT 4 ON 5/7 & 6/27. LIMIT 8 ON 5/17 & 5/24.

Tue. May 7 from 3-5pm: Honey Garlic Chicken
Fri. May 17 from 3-4:30pm: Mexican Casserole
Fri. May 24 from 4:30-6pm: Million Dollar Chicken
Thur. June 27 from 6-7:30pm: Mexican Casserole
at Riverside (Training Center)

Beginner's Cooking at Riverside

Start with easy recipes and learn to cook using simple foods and safer kitchen tools.



Tue. May 14: Chicken & Cheese Quesadillas (Microwave)
Thur. May 16: BLT Sandwiches & Chips (Microwave)
3-4pm
at Riverside (Training Center)

REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$5 PER CLASS REQUIRED. LIMIT 6

Craft Time

Enjoy time with friends while making a fun seasonal craft.

REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$5 REQUIRED. LIMIT 4.

Fri. May 31: DIY Mini Pinch Pot Planters
4-5:30pm
at Riverside (Training Center)

Disney's Lion King Musical

Enjoy this timeless classic on stage at the Schuster Center in Dayton!
We will eat dinner before the show.

Thur. May 9
4:30-10:30pm
Van leaves Riverside at 4:30pm
and returns around 10:30pm

REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$57 REQUIRED. BRING \$ FOR DINNER. LIMIT 6 PEOPLE.

LIVE MUSIC: Fool House: The Ultimate 90s Dance Party

Fool House pays homage to the golden era of boy bands, pop stars, hip hop and pop punk in the 90s.

REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$15 REQUIRED. LIMIT 3 PEOPLE.

Sat. May 4
4-11pm
at BMI Event Center in Versailles
Car leaves Riverside at 4pm and returns at 11pm

Shrek the Musical

Your favorite ogre and his swamp friends are back in an all new the hilarious stage spectacle.

REGISTRATION & PREPAY \$60 REQUIRED. BRING \$40 FOR DINNER. LIMIT 6 PEOPLE.

Wed. May 22
4:30-10pm
Clark State PAC, Springfield
Van leaves Riverside at 4:30pm
and returns at 10pm

SPECIAL OLYMPICS NEWS



Softball Signup Night

May 1 at 8:30pm

Mandatory meeting for those interested in playing softball this season!



Due to our current staff shortage, we unfortunately will not be able to have a Special Olympics Golf season for 2024.

We apologize for the inconvenience and look forward to offering Special Olympics Golf again in 2025.

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Registration:

**Begins April 25 at 9am
ends April 26 at 5pm**

Based on feedback, we are shortening the sign up window to allow for faster registration confirmations.

- Register at cc@riversidedd.org or 937-310-3260 AFTER April 25 at 9am. EMAIL PREFERRED.
- You will receive a call or email once your activities are confirmed.

Registrations will end
April 26 at 5pm.

How to Register for Community Connections Activities:

- 1 Contact Patrick Kilbane at email cc@riversidedd.org (PREFERRED) or 937-310-3260 and leave a message.
 - 2 Wait for an email or call confirming your activities.
 - 3 For Pre-Pay events:
 - Mail a check (made payable to Riverside Recreation) to Riverside, ATTN: Patrick. You must include the name and date of the event in the memo portion of the check. OR
 - Drop off a check or exact change payment (in an envelope) at Riverside in metal drop box by the front lobby door.
- Call to cancel if you cannot make it to an activity you are registered 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.
 - We cannot provide refunds for events that are pre-pay if you do not show up to the event.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Riverside Code of Conduct

Participation in Riverside'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 Riverside programs.
- I will respect the dignity of all.
- I will act in ways that bring respect to me, Riverside 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 Riverside 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 Riverside 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 Riverside staff or volunteers.
- I will obey all laws and Riverside and Special Olympics rules.

Those who fail to follow the Code of Conduct while attending a Riverside 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!