

KENT AREA SPORTS UPDATE

Coming Up: Golf, Cycling and Summer Bowling



CYCLING

Cycling practices will take place this summer at a location to be announced. To sign up for cycling, please contact **Pam Cannon at 302-363-3546**.

Save the date! The Cycling Classic will take place at Dover Air Force Base on Sunday, September 18, 2016.

GOLF

All golf practices for Kent county will be held at the Maple Dale Country Club in Dover. To register for golf, **please contact Bill Yonker at 302-335-3781 or bayonker@yahoo.com**. We are looking for anyone interested in becoming a Unified Partner for golf. We are also looking for sets of left-handed golf clubs.

2016 GOLF PRACTICES at the Maple Dale Country Club

Date: Saturdays starting June 4

Time: 3:30pm

Saturday schedules for Golf at Maple Dale are as follows:

June 4, 18, 25, July 16, 23, August 13, 20, 27 and September 3, 10, 17

The Golf Tournament will be held on **Tuesday, September 27** at the Maple Dale Country Club.

SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE SIGNUPS

The Summer Bowling League at Mid-County Lanes in Middletown will start up again! This is a recreational bowling league open to SODE athletes and their family and friends - form a team and have fun this summer! Each team will have 3 members, and a minimum of 2 alternates is suggested per team. Cost is \$7.00 per person (2 games). No charge for shoe rental.

The Summer Bowling league will run from **from 6:00 - 8:00 pm** and run for **4 Mondays** in a row from **July 11 through August 1**. **For more information on the Summer Bowling league, please view the attached flyer and submit your registration on or before Monday, June 20**. Contact: Shirley Vojtecky at votribe5@aol.com or 301.659.7012

LOOKING AHEAD: FALL SPORTS

SODE Fall sports will consist of Volleyball, Soccer, Bocce, Flag Football and a Young Athletes demonstration. Information regarding signups for the Fall Sports season will be mailed out to families in August. **Save the date! The Fall Sports Festival is scheduled for Nov. 11-12 and will take place at St. Andrew's School in Middletown.**



PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A VOLUNTEER

Fall sports training will be starting soon and we need your help! When you volunteer with Special Olympics Delaware, you have the opportunity to make a genuine impact. There are so many ways to find what inspires you and become involved.

For more information, please contact your Area Director or email SODE Director of Volunteers, Carly Thompson at cthomp@udel.edu.



TD Bank Launches Annual Campaign with Employees, Customers, to Support Special Olympics

Now through June 24th, you can support Special Olympics Delaware by visiting your local TD Bank. Along with the familiar green TD Bank bracelets in support of Special Olympics, packs of Special Olympics Athlete Trading Cards will be available for a \$5 donation! Each pack tells the story of five Special Olympics athletes from around the country and supports TD Bank's goals of raising money and awareness for Special Olympics. Available only while supplies last. Get yours today and see if you can find our SODE athletes featured on the cards!

Join us at Olympic Village at Summer Games! Fri.-Sat., June 10-11, 2016 at the University of Delaware

It's almost time for the 2016 Special Olympics Summer Games!

Friday - Olympic Village will be humming with lots of different games, entertainment and other fun activities!

- Games and exhibits
- *New!* Water slide and dunk tank (Area Leadership Teams - who will be the target?)
- Dunkin' Donuts iced coffee truck
- Family BBQ/Picnic and a family tent
- Music and DJ ... AND MORE!

Saturday - Healthy Athletes

- Opening Eyes (free glasses!), Special Smiles, Fit Feet (free molded insoles) and Healthy Hearing.
- Athletes should take advantage of this opportunity and visit Healthy Athletes!

Night of Heroes - Nominations due July 1

Special Olympics Delaware Night of Heroes awards are open to athletes, families, coaches, organizations and volunteers who have made a significant contribution to Special Olympics Delaware.



Award nominations will be accepted now through July 1, 2016. Award winners will be honored at the annual Night of Heroes gala in the fall. Please submit your nomination today.

Communicate with Confidence - CWC REFRESHER CLASSES!

Toastmasters will be hosting "Refresher Classes" for past graduates of the Communicate with Confidence class on the following dates in June:

Kent & Sussex:	Dover Police Station	Monday, June 20	6:15-8:00pm
New Castle County:	SODE office - Newark	Wednesday, June 22	6:15-8:00pm

If you would like to sign up for the refresher class, please contact Ruth Coughlan at coughlan@udel.edu or call 302-831-4048. Anyone interested in attending for the first time is encouraged to bring a mentor and "preview" the class.

Is your medical form on file current?

Every Special Olympic athlete must have an updated medical form/physical to participate in any sport. The physical is good for 3 years but needs to be updated before it expires. If you are unsure if you have an updated physical, please check with the Special Olympics office or your Sports Director. No athlete can practice without

COMING SOON



NEW DATES FOR MISSION TOURS

You are invited to a one-hour gathering hosted by Special Olympics Delaware. This is an informal opportunity to hear inspiring stories about the spirit of our Special Olympics athletes and witness the impact of our work. **Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00pm:**

June 15 ♦ July 20 ♦ August 17 ♦ September 21 ♦ October 19

Please RSVP in advance to 302.831.4653 or email info@sode.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
LETR Bike Prologue	Wednesday, June 8 at 5:00pm	Bikes depart from Rehoboth Elementary
Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) Kick-off Ceremony	Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00pm	Rehoboth Beach Bandstand - join us! Music provided by 33-1/3.
LETR Torch Run Ceremony	Thursday, June 9 at 2:00pm	Legislative Hall in Dover
LETR Torch Run Ceremony	Friday, June 10 at 9:45am	Wilmington Police Department
Summer Games Opening Ceremony	Friday, June 10 at 12:30pm	UD Bob Carpenter Center
2016 SODE Summer Games	Friday and Saturday, June 10 & 11	University of Delaware sports complex
SODE Mission Tour	Wednesday, June 15 from 6-7:00pm	SODE office in Newark
CWC Refresher Course	Monday, June 20	Dover (location TBA)
CWC Refresher Course	Wednesday, June 22	SODE office in Newark
SODE Mission Tour	Wednesday, July 20 from 6-7:00pm	“ “ “
Summer Camp - Session 1	Sat.-Mon., August 6-8	Camp Barnes, Frankford, Delaware
Summer Camp - Session 2	Sun.-Tues, August 14-16	“ “ “
SODE Mission Tour	Wednesday, August 17 from 6-7:00pm	SODE office in Newark

**For a complete calendar of events please visit www.sode.org.

Keep your information updated:

If you have moved to a new address or your phone number or e-mail address has changed, please take time to provide the new information to us by sending it to sode.kent@gmail.com. This will ensure that you continue to receive all communication from us and keep informed of upcoming practices and events.

Kent

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	Equestrian	**		
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		** = VACANT		
If you are interested in any of the vacant positions, please contact the Area Director for more information. Thank you!				