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A Message from the Founder and President

Dear Families and Friends:

Thank you so much to all who made our 8th Annual Walk for Autism Awareness such a success. Every year I'm amazed at the unwavering support we receive for our children and the event. Thanks to our awesome walk committee, sponsors, and walkers!!

Thanks to all the schools that took part in our Annual Dress Down Day. There's no way I can describe how our theme, Buzz Out Bullying, impacted our local students. I myself, learned a great deal as an educator. We must continue to give our children tools to combat bullying. There's no greater mission we must accomplish than to provide a safe learning environment for each and every child to learn and grow.

Again, thanks to the Minooka Lion's Club for their outstanding event to benefit our children in PLCTA. Their hard work and dedication is deeply appreciated!! Our Appreciation/Acknowledgment Dinner is fast approaching. If you need invitations please call 341-3388 or 650-5485. Our theme is Autism Never Give Up Hope! We look forward to another special night. Join us as we celebrate what is possible with Hope, Love and Prayer.

Please check out two flyers enclosed on Car Show for Autism and Mom's Prom. PLCTA has been selected to receive proceeds from these two events.

On behalf of the Parents Loving Children Through Autism Foundation, I would like to wish all our Mothers a Very Happy Mother's Day. I'm so proud of the woman you are and what you do to raise our PLCTA children, teens and adults.

Your Founder and President,

Kathleen M. Walsh

Recreation News

NOTICE FOR ALL SOCIAL GROUPS

Please respect the age ranges of our social groups. We are trying to provide social opportunities for all of our children living through autism.

FAMILY TRIP

Steamtown Trolley Ride on May 21, 2011, at 12:00. Arrive by 11:45 a.m. because the trolley will leave without you! RSVP by May 9th to Mary at 606-6930, and be sure to leave a message with the number of adults, children and those under 3 attending. NO EXCEPTIONS, because the tickets are purchased in advance.

YOUTH SOCIAL (12 & UNDER)

The May Youth Social will be bowling at Idle Hour Bowling Lanes, on Sunday, May 22nd, at 11:00 a.m. Please come 15 minutes early to get your shoes and ball.

YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL (12-15 YEARS OLD)

The Young Teen Social will be enjoying pizza at the Clarks Summit Pizza Hut on Monday, May 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Patti (563-1852) by May 21st. No siblings.

TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL (16 & OLDER)

For children with autism who are 16 years old or older, PLCTA's Teen Social will be held at Idle Hour Bowling Lanes, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 22nd and Saturday, May 28th. **Please plan to arrive by 12:45** to get your shoes and ball. NOTE that one date is on a Sunday this month.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

PLCTA's Headquarters at 570-341-3388 and leave a message.

Please send your child's school photo for inclusion at PLCTA's 2011 Appreciation & Acknowledgement Dinner to:

Kathleen Walsh
404 Carnation Drive
Clarks Summit, PA 18411

Thank you!

Dates to Remember

May 10 - SibShops© - YMCA, Dunmore, 5:00 - 7:00 pm. RSVP required, contact Margie Cosgrove, 282-1732.

May 11 - SibShops© - YMCA, Carbondale, 5:00 - 7:00 pm. RSVP required, contact Margie Cosgrove, 282-1732.

May 13 - TABS Autism Swim, YMCA, Carbondale, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. \$10/family, RSVP required, call 282-2210.

May 26 - Appreciation and Acknowledgement Dinner, 6:00 p.m., Radisson, Scranton.

Three Autism Conferences May 2011

May 5-6 - Autism/Asperger's Syndrome Super Conference with Dr. Temple Grandin, Carol Gray, Carol Kranowitz, and Dr. Roya Ostovar, Fernwood Resort, Bushkill, www.fhautism.com.

May 6 - "No More Meltdowns: Handling Challenging Behaviors & Teaching Social Skills" with Dr. Jed Baker, www.cscinc.org/events.

May 24 - Next Steps into Adolescence, A Workshop for Parents Supporting Adolescent Children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder, Warrington, PA, <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?l=cze65hdab&oeidk=a07e3iyze2tb001eef2>.

Monday, May 16, 2011
Between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
10% of sales (excluding specials)
will benefit PLCTA

Station Square Alehouse & Eatery
400 Lackawanna Ave., Olyphant



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, 7:00, PLCTA HQ	7
8 Mother's Day	9 RSVP DEADLINE FOR FAMILY TRIP/TROLLEY RIDE	10 SibShops@ at Dunmore YMCA	11 SibShops@ at Carbondale YMCA	12	13 TABS Autism Swim @ Carbondale YMCA, 6:00 pm	14
15	16 PLCTA FUNDRAISER, Station Square Alehouse & Eatery, Olyphant, 4-9 pm	17 Election Day	18	19	20	21 PLCTA FAMILY TRIP, Steamtown Trolley Ride RSVP DEADLINE FOR YOUNG TEEN PIZZA SOCIAL
22 YOUTH SOCIAL, 11:00, Idle Hour Lanes TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes	23 YOUNG TEEN PIZZA SOCIAL, 6:00, Pizza Hut, Clark Summit	24	25	26 Appreciation & Acknowledgement Dinner	27	28 TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes
29	30	31			PLEASE SEE NEWSLETTER OR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS	

To be included in PLCTA's newsletter, please submit your events by the 20th of the month prior to your event.

Calendar items in **bold** print are PLCTA Foundation sponsored events. The PLCTA Foundation provides notification of third-party events in our calendar as a courtesy and assumes no responsibility for those events.

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