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AUTISM SOCIETY

Improving the Lives of All Affected by Autism
Greater Cleveland

Autism Society of Greater Cleveland Newsletter

Weekly Newsletter: December 27, 2010

"Volunteer Opportunities for Teens and Adults with YouthAbility"

Tuesday-12/28:

Lunch Delivery

Fundraiser

-Pick up and drop off at

JFSA at 24075

Commerce Park-

Beachwood

-8:30am-1:00pm

Wednesday- 12/29:

Assisting Holocaust

Survivors

-Meet at Beachwood

Library

- 11:30am- 2:15pm

Thursday- 12/30:

Selling Cocoa, Cookies
and Crafts

-20475 Commerce Park-
Beachwood

- 9:30am- 2:00pm.

Please contact Heidi
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Dear ASGC members,

Happy New Years! We wish you happiness in the new year.

A ticket to our First Annual Texas Hold 'Em Tournament is a great way to welcome in the new year!

First Annual Texas Hold Em Tournament:



Our first annual Texas Hold 'Em Tournament will be held on **Saturday January 15, 2011**. A ticket to this event could be the perfect gift this holiday for a friend, co-worker, family member, or anybody over the age of 21! The night includes all of the following: tournament tables, sit and go tables, live action tables, black jack, side board, 50/50 raffle and a chinese raffle. Your \$75 ticket will get you your first buy in, drinks (beer, soft drinks, water) all night, and food all night! Prizes are as follows*: 1st- \$1500, 2nd- \$500, 3rd- \$250, next 12 finalists receive \$75. Over \$300 worth of golf prizes in the raffle! Get your ticket now!!

*If all 180 Tickets are sold.

Order tickets online at our website (www.asgc.org), a board member, or mail a check to PO Box 41066 Brecksville Rd, Brecksville, Oh 44141.

See link to flyer below for more details:

[Texas Hold 'Em](#)

****We are currently looking for volunteers for this event.****

We are looking for poker dealers with some background. We will provide a training the Thursday before the event. Please contact Kelley Doyle for more information:

Phone: 216-556-4937

Email: k_doyle79@asgc.org

"Toddlers with Autism Show Improved Social Skills Following Targeted Intervention"

"ScienceDaily - Targeting the core social deficits of autism spectrum disorders (ASD) in early intervention programs yielded sustained improvements in social and communication skills even in very young children who have ASD, according to a study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), part of the National Institutes of Health.

The study was published online December 8, 2010, in the Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry."

Please View the Following link for more information:

[Improved Social Skills
\(www.sciencedaily.com\)](http://www.sciencedaily.com)

Greater Cleveland Asperger Support:

<http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/gc-as>

- Local e-mail forum for families
- Social opportunities for affected children/teens
- Ongoing calendar of local events
- Meetings for sharing and support

Email Theresa at: gcas21@yahoo.com for more information.

Upcoming Movies and Meetings:

Ridge Park Square:

1/8/2011: Yogi Bear

All movies are at 10:00 AM at AMC's Ridge Park Square, 4788 Ridge Road, Brooklyn, OH 44144. Admission is Reduced to \$4.50 AMC Entertainment (AMC) and the Autism Society have teamed up to bring families affected by autism and other disabilities a special opportunity to enjoy their favorite films in a safe and accepting environment on a monthly basis with the "Sensory Friendly Films" program. In order to provide a more accepting and comfortable setting for this unique audience, the movie auditoriums will have their lights brought up and the sound turned down, families will be able to bring in their own gluten-free, casein-free snacks, and no previews or advertisements will be shown before the movie. Additionally, audience members are welcome to get up and dance, walk, shout or sing - in other words, AMC's "Silence is Golden[®]" policy will not be enforced unless the safety of the audience is questioned.

Monthly Support Meetings:
Independence

When:1st Monday of each month

Time:6:30pm-8:30pm

Where:Independence Civic Center- 6363 Selig Dr, Independence Ohio, 44131

Speaker/Topic 1/3/2011: Wendy Kolmorgan/ Pediatric Dentistry

Speaker/Topic 2/7/2011: TBD

Avon Lake:

When:2nd Tuesday of each month

Time:7:00pm-9:00pm

Where:Avon Lake Library- 32649 Electric Blvd, Avon Lake Ohio, 44012

Speaker/Topic 1/11/2011: Wendy Kolmorgan/ Pediatric Dentistry

Speaker/Topic 2/8/2011: TBD

AutismNE Online Support Group

The ASGC is pleased to offer our members a free online support group for all those individuals and families affected by autism spectrum disorders.

Please contact Marian Helmick to join this group:

dmhelmick7@gmail.com

<http://autismne@webs.com>

Thank you for your continued support. We appreciate your efforts to help out in the autism community. Hope you have a good week!

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