

## Fall 2012 Calendar of Events: September through November

### National Events of Interest:

- **Developing with Accessibility**, September 6 – 7, FCC Commission Meeting Room and Training Rooms, Washington, DC. Hosted by the FCC's Accessibility and Innovation Initiative (A&I). For more information and to register, send an email to [devacc@fcc.gov](mailto:devacc@fcc.gov) or visit the [FCC website](#). NOTE: the General Session will also be available as a webcast; see the Online Section of this calendar for more information.
- **Innovation Fest! 2012**, September 12, 8:00am to 4:00pm. New York, NY. Hosted by Diversity Inc. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [Diversity Inc website](#).
- **Mid-Atlantic ADA Update Conference**, September 13 – 14. Baltimore, MD. For more information or to register, phone 1-800-949-4232 or email [ADATraining@transcen.org](mailto:ADATraining@transcen.org) or visit the [Mid-Atlantic ADA Center website](#).
- **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Hills Brain Injury Conference**, September 20 – 21, Hotel Alex Johnson, Rapid City, SD. Hosted by Community Transitions. For more information or to register, visit the [Community Transitions website](#).
- **United Nations Enable: High Level Meeting of the General Assembly on Disability and Development**, September 23. New York, NY. For more information, visit the [UN Enable website](#).
- **2012 National Veterans Day Poster and Essay Contest Deadline** for Students in grades 1 – 4 (Poster Contest) and Students in grades 5 – 8 (Essay Contest). Deadline for submissions is September 28. Sponsored by Paralyzed Veterans of America. For more information, email [postercontest@pva.org](mailto:postercontest@pva.org) or visit the [PVA website](#).
- **2012 USBLN Annual Conference and Expo: Disability Inclusion Driving Success in a Competitive Business Environment**, October 1 – 4. Orlando, FL. Hosted by the US Business Leadership Network. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [USBLN website](#).
- **2012 Southwest Conference on Disability**, October 10 - 12, Convention Center, Albuquerque, NM. Hosted by the University of New Mexico. For more information or to register, email [swdisabilityconference@salud.unm.edu](mailto:swdisabilityconference@salud.unm.edu) or phone 505-272-6231, or visit the [Southwest Conference website](#).
- **30<sup>th</sup> Annual Closing the Gap Conference: Changing Lives with Assistive Technology**, October 15 – 19. Minneapolis, MN. Hosted by the Closing the Gap Solutions. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [Closing the Gap Conference website](#).
- **2013 Yes I Can! Awards Nominations deadline**, October 19. Nominations sent to the Council for Exceptional Children in Arlington, VA. For more information and the nomination form, visit the [CEC website](#).
- **2012 National Association of ADA Coordinators' Conference: The ADA: Diagnosis and Prognosis: Legal Aspects, Practical Advice and Best Practices**, October 22 – 25. San Diego, CA. Hosted by the National Association of ADA Coordinators and JAN. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [ADA Coordinators Conference website](#).

- **ADA Law Conference**, Thursday, October 25. Pensacola, FL. Hosted by University of West Florida Student Disability Resource Center. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit [ADA Law Conference website](#).
- **Inclusion International Conference: Achieving Inclusion Across the Globe**, October 25 – 28. Washington DC. Hosted by The Arc. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, contact The Arc at 1-800-433-5255 or visit The [Arc website](#).
- **2012 TASH Conference: Creating Opportunities in Challenging Times**, November 28 – December 1. Long Beach, CA. Hosted by TASH. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [TASH Conference website](#).
- **The State of the Art Conference on Post-Secondary Education and Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities**, November 29 – 30. Fairfax, VA. Hosted by George Mason University. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, visit the [State of the Art Conference website](#).

### Online Webinars and Workshops:

- **Conference Call: Tuesday Talks**. Every Second Tuesday of the Month, 11:00am to 12:00pm CST; Hosted by US Business Leadership Network and Pennsylvania BLN; Provides discussion with peers on topics such as recruitment, accommodations, inspirational stories, etc. FREE, but registration is required. For more information and to register, contact Stacy Kyle at 717-763-0968 x115 or [stacy,kyle@blnofpa.org](mailto:stacy,kyle@blnofpa.org) or visit the [USBLN website](#).
- **Webinar Archives: Caregiving Webinar Archives for Professionals Working with Family Caregivers**. FREE; provided by Caregiving.com. For a complete list of archived webinars, visit the [Caregiving website](#).
- **Webinar: Accessible Webinars: Interactive Features, Captioning, Audio Connections and More**. Thursday, September 6, 1:30pm to 3:00pm Central Time. FREE, but registration is required. For more information and to register, visit the [Accessibility Online website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Options for Computer Access for People with Physical Impairments**. Thursday, September 6, 2:30pm to 3:30pm CST. Cost: \$39. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webcast: Developing with Accessibility**, September 6 – 7, 7:30am CST. Live webcast of General Session in the FCC Commission Meeting Room, Washington, DC; with live captioning. Hosted by the FCC's Accessibility and Innovation Initiative (A&I). For access to the webcast, visit the [FCC website](#). NOTE: For information on the full conference, see the info in the National Section of this calendar.
- **Webinar: ATIA: Using Core Vocabulary in Education Classrooms: Dealing with the Academic Vocabulary**. Tuesday, September 11, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: Easter Seals Project Action: Blueprint for an Accessible Community: Encouraging Development in the Right Places with the Right Design**. Wednesday, September 12, 1:00pm to 2:30pm CST. Cost: FREE, but registration is required. For more information and to register, contact Easter Seals at 800-659-6428 or [registration@easterseals.com](mailto:registration@easterseals.com) or visit the [Easter Seals website](#).

- **Online: North Texas Giving Day**, Thursday, September 13, 7:00am to 12:00 Midnight. Online donations to Ability Connection Texas receive matching funds. For more information, visit the [Ability Connection Texas website](#).
- **Webinar: ADA Audio Conference Series: Don't Forget to Cast Your Vote! Accessibility of Polling Places**. Tuesday, September 18, 1:00pm – 2:30pm. For more information, visit the [ADA Audio Conference Series website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: 30 Ways to Adapt Your iPad for Accessibility**. Tuesday, September 18, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Cable TV: The Projected Image: A History of Disability in Film**. Tuesdays in October, 7:00pm CST. Series of more than twenty films which include storylines about people with disabilities. Broadcast on Turner Classic Movies; cable access required. For more information, visit the [Turner Classic Movies website](#).
- **Webinar: WAVE Web Accessibility Evaluation Tool**, Tuesday, October 9, 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Cost: FREE; Registration is required. For more information, visit the [ADA Online website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Creating Content for i-Devices**. Wednesday, October 10, 2:30pm to 3:30pm CST. Cost: \$39. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Implementing AT in the Classroom**. Monday, October 22, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Reading Comprehension, Part I: Foundational Concepts on How to Develop Confident, Eager, and Fluent Readers Using Technology**. Monday, October 29, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Implementing AAC in the Classroom**. Monday, November 12, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Reading Comprehension, Part II: Technology Strategies on How to Develop Confident, Eager, and Fluent Readers Using Technology**. Monday, November 19, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Implementing Electronic Readers in Content Classes**. Monday, December 3, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).
- **Webinar: Mobile Accessibility: The Status of Accessibility in Mobile Devices**, Tuesday, December 11, 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Cost: FREE; Registration is required. For more information, visit the [ADA Online website](#).
- **Webinar: ATIA: Switch Access to the Curriculum**. Wednesday, December 19, 2:30pm to 4:00pm CST. Cost: \$49. For more information and to register, visit the [Assistive Technology Industry Association website](#).

## Statewide:

- **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Family Strengths Symposium: Community Partnerships and Programs**, September 5 – 6. Held at UH-Downtown Center for Family Strengths, Houston. Hosted by the Center for Family Strengths. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [UHD Center for Family Strengths website](#).
- **CTD Annual Conference: iMake a Difference Convention**, September 14 - 15. Held at the Casa de Palmas Renaissance Hotel, McAllen. Hosted by the Coalition for Texans with Disabilities. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, send a message to [cotwd@cotwd.org](mailto:cotwd@cotwd.org) or phone 512-478-3366 or visit the [Coalition for Texans with Disabilities website](#).
- **Alicia Nash Symposium and “A Beautiful Mind” Screening**, September 14, Symposium; and September 16, Screening. Symposium held at the AT&T Conference Center, Austin; Screening held at the Alamo Drafthouse, Austin. Sponsored by Planned Living Assistance Network (PLAN) of Central Texas, NAMI Texas, Mental Health America of Texas, the Hope Concept, and the University of Texas at Austin Psychology Department. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [PLAN website](#).
- **Beyond the ARD: Parents Engaged for Positive Change: Statewide Parent Leadership Conference**, September 14 - 15. Held at Renaissance Austin Hotel, Austin. Hosted by the Partners Resource Network. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, contact Partners Resource Network at 409-898-4684 or [partnersresource@sbcglobal.net](mailto:partnersresource@sbcglobal.net) or to register, visit the [PRN website](#).
- **2012 Texas Nonprofit Summit**, September 20 - 21. Held at the AT&T Conference Center, Austin. Hosted by OneStar Foundation and Greenlights for Nonprofit Success. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [Texas Nonprofit Summit website](#).
- **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Vine to Wine Reception and Awards Presentations**, Friday, September 21, 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Held at Shoal Crossing, 8511 North Mopac, Austin. Hosted by Texas Parent to Parent. Cost: \$50 each or 2 for \$75. For more information, contact Laura Warren at 512-458-8600 or [Laura@TxP2P.org](mailto:Laura@TxP2P.org) or visit the [Texas P2P website](#).
- **2012 National Veterans Day Poster and Essay Contest Deadline** for Students in grades 1 – 4 (Poster Contest) and Students in grades 5 – 8 (Essay Contest). Deadline for submissions is September 28. Sponsored by Paralyzed Veterans of America. For more information, email [postercontest@pva.org](mailto:postercontest@pva.org) or visit the [PVA website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – 2012 Chapter Sailing and Kayaking Statewide Competition**, October 6 – 7. Held at White Rock Lake, Houston. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sue Galkantas at 512-491-2943 or [sgalkantas@sotx.org](mailto:sgalkantas@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **First Annual Early Childhood Mental Health and Wellness Conference: Nurturing Connections for Young Children**, October 11 – 12. Held at the Whitley Theological Center, 285 Oblate Drive, San Antonio. Hosted by Texas Association for Infant Mental Health. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [TAIMH website](#).
- **Conference: 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Texas Autism Conference**, October 11 - 13. Held at Austin Convention Center, Austin. Cost: Varies. Sponsored by Texas Education Agency. For more information, contact Laura Cantu at 361-561-8524 or [laura.cantu@esc2.us](mailto:laura.cantu@esc2.us) or Cynthia Vela

at 361-561-8518 or [cynthia.vela@esc2.us](mailto:cynthia.vela@esc2.us); to register, visit the [Texas Autism Conference website](#).

- **DMBAT (Deaf-Blind Multihandicapped Association of Texas) 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Conference: A Smile as Big as the Moon**, October 12 – 14. Held at Camp John Marc, near Meridian. Sponsored by DMBAT. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, contact Christine at 281-370-8195 or visit the [DMBAT website](#).
- **2012 Lex Frieden Employment Awards Ceremony – Texas Governor’s Committee on People with Disabilities**, Wednesday, October 24, 11:30am – 2:00pm. Held at Hilton Hotel Hobby Airport, Houston. In partnership with the Houston Mayor’s Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities. Cost: \$30. For more information, contact Jo Virgil (GCPD) at 512-463-5740 or [jo.virgil@governor.state.tx.us](mailto:jo.virgil@governor.state.tx.us) or visit the [GCPD website](#); to register, contact Raul Tello at [raul.tello@dars.state.tx.us](mailto:raul.tello@dars.state.tx.us) or 713-928-7700.
- **Special Olympics Texas – 2012 Fall Classic Statewide Competition**, October 25 – 27. Held at various venues in Bryan/College Station. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sue Galkantas at 512-491-2943 or [sgalkantas@sotx.org](mailto:sgalkantas@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Including You Conference: Building Inclusive Schools Together**, October 26 – 27. Held at University of Houston – Sugarland Campus. Sponsored by Father’s Joy, University of Houston, Disability Rights Texas, The Rise School and others. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [Including You website](#).
- **NAMI Texas Annual Conference: Partnering for Change, Building the Future**, November 1 – 3, Austin; Hosted by NAMI Texas. Held at the Sheraton Hotel at the Capitol. Registration Fee: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [NAMI Texas website](#).
- **7<sup>th</sup> Texas Chargers Annual Retreat**, November 2 – 4. Hosted by Texas Chargers Inc, an organization for families of people with Charge Syndrome. Held at Camp Allen, Navasota. Registration Fee: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [Texas Chargers website](#).

## **Abilene:**

- **REACH for a Difference**, Monthly Family Support Group for families with an individual on the autism spectrum. Every First Tuesday of the Month, 6:00pm. Hosted by REACH for a Difference. Held at the United Way of Abilene, 240 Cypress Street.
- **REHAB Family Support Group**, Monthly Family Support Group for families with an individual on the autism spectrum. Every Third Tuesday of the Month, 6:30pm. Hosted by West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Held at the WTRC Boardroom, 4601 Hartford.
- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bocce Competition**, Saturday, September 8, 7:30am to 5:00pm. Held at Nelson Park, 2070 Zoo Lane. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Elizabeth Bye at 325-677-3200 or email [ebye@sotx.org](mailto:ebye@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Unified Sports Training**, Saturday, September 15, 9:45am to 4:00pm. Held at the Education Service Center. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Elizabeth Bye at 325-677-3200 or email [ebye@sotx.org](mailto:ebye@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Softball Competition**, Saturday, October 13, 9:30am to 1:30pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Elizabeth Bye at 325-677-3200 or email [ebye@sotx.org](mailto:ebye@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, Thursday, October 25, 9:30am to 4:00pm. Held at Abilene Bowling lanes. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Elizabeth Bye at 325-677-3200 or email [ebye@sotx.org](mailto:ebye@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Amarillo:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Cops on Top – the Donut Stop**, Friday, September 7, 6:30pm until Sunday, September 9, 12:00pm; Law enforcement Torch Run officers on the roof; Fundraiser for Special Olympics. Held at The Donut Stop, 5815 I-40 West. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Megan Spivey at 806-374-7171 or [mspivey@sotx.org](mailto:mspivey@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bowling Competition**, Saturday, November 17, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Held at Western Bowl, 5120 Canyon Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Megan Spivey at 806-374-7171 or [mspivey@sotx.org](mailto:mspivey@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Arlington:**

- **Helping Restore Ability Monthly Lunch**, Every Third Tuesday of the Month, 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm. Hosted by Helping Restore Ability. For location and other information, contact Stephanie Melchert-Smith at 817-469-1977 or [ssmith@hratexas.org](mailto:ssmith@hratexas.org), or visit the [Helping Restore Ability website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Eunice Kennedy Shriver Fun Bowl with US Bowling Congress**, Saturday, September 22, Time TBD. Held at United States Bowling Congress, 621 Six Flags Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joel Maxwell at 817-332-3433 or [jmaxwell@sotx.org](mailto:jmaxwell@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Down Syndrome Partnership of Tarrant County Buddy Walk**, Saturday, October 20, Gates open at 10:00am. Held at the West Lawn of the University of Texas at Arlington, 500 West Nedderman Drive. Cost: \$15, includes a T-shirt; Event is a fundraiser. Hosted by the Down Syndrome Partnership of Tarrant County. For more information, contact Amber Holmes at [buddywalk@dsptc.org](mailto:buddywalk@dsptc.org) or visit the [DSPTC website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Joey Cushman 5K Run**, Saturday, November 3, 7:30am, Registration; 8:30am, Fun Run; 9:00am, 5K Run. Race begins and ends at River Legacy Park, 701 Northwest Green Oaks. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Susie McAlister at 817-332-3433 or [smcalister@sotx.org](mailto:smcalister@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Austin:**

- **Social Security Work Incentives Orientation**, First Wednesday of each month, 10am (for general public) hosted by Workforce Solutions Ticket to Work program for anyone receiving

SSI or SSDI; held at 6505 Airport Blvd Suite 101-A. Cost: FREE. For information, contact Marcela Ramirez at [Marcela.ramirez@twc.state.tx.us](mailto:Marcela.ramirez@twc.state.tx.us) or phone 512-597-7278.

- **Brain Injury Support Group** First Tuesday of each month, 7pm, hosted by the Austin Chapter Support Group of the Brain Injury Association of Texas, Austin Chapter; held at Mary Lee Foundation Community Center, 1327 Lamar Square Dr. Cost: FREE. For information, visit the [Mary Lee Foundation website](#) or phone 512-453-1344.
- **Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities** monthly meeting, Second Monday of each month, 12pm to 2pm, at City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street: open to the public. Cost: FREE. Visit the [AMCPD website](#) or contact Dolores Gonzalez at [Dolores.gonzalez@ci.austin.tx.us](mailto:Dolores.gonzalez@ci.austin.tx.us) or phone 512-974-3256.
- **Brain Injury & Health Care Information**, Second Tuesday of each month, 7pm, sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of Texas, Austin Chapter; for family members, survivors, and professionals; held at Mary Lee Foundation Community Center, 1327 Lamar Square Dr. Cost: FREE. For information, visit the [Mary Lee Foundation website](#) or phone 512-443-5777.
- **AISD Family Support Co-Op Series**, Second Tuesday of each month, 7pm (Free Pizza and childcare at 6:30pm), a cooperative effort among AISD, Austin Travis Country Integral Care and the Arc of the Capital Area to inform and support families of children with disabilities. Rosedale School, 2117 W. 49<sup>th</sup> St. Cost: FREE. For information, visit the [Eanes Parent Network website](#).
- **Personal Attendant Coalition of Texas (PACT) Monthly Meetings**, Third Wednesday of each month, 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Held at ADAPT Office, 1640-A East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Cost: FREE. For information, contact Cathy or Nancy at 512-442-0252.
- **BridgingApps Monthly Meeting**, Last Wednesday of each month, 6:00pm. A community of parents, therapists and teachers who come together to discuss mobile devices, favorite apps, and how we are using them effectively with people who have disabilities. Held at Easter Seals of Central Texas, 1611 Headway Circle, Bldg 2. For more information, contact Julie Melton Smith at [jsmith@eastersealshouston.org](mailto:jsmith@eastersealshouston.org) or visit the [BridgingApps website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Principles of Coaching Training**, Saturday, September 8, 8:30am to 5:00pm. Held at the Chapter Office, 7715 Chevy Chase Drive, Suite 120. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Get to Know the Real Goodwill Tours**, September 13 & 26, October 4 & 11, November 8 & 29, and December 4 & 11. Held at Goodwill Community Center, 1015 Norwood Park Blvd. Sponsored by Goodwill Industries. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Katrian Natale at 512-637-7158 or [realgoodwill@austingoodwill.org](mailto:realgoodwill@austingoodwill.org) or visit the [Goodwill website](#).
- **Alicia Nash Symposium and "A Beautiful Mind" Screening**, September 14, Symposium; and September 16, Screening. Symposium held at the AT&T Conference Center, Austin; Screening held at the Alamo Drafthouse, Austin. Sponsored by Planned Living Assistance Network (PLAN) of Central Texas, NAMI Texas, Mental Health America of Texas, the Hope Concept, and the University of Texas at Austin Psychology Department. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [PLAN website](#).
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Partners Resource Network. Registration fee: Varies. For more information, contact Partners Resource Network at 409-898-4684 or [partnersresource@sbcglobal.net](mailto:partnersresource@sbcglobal.net) or to register, visit the [PRN website](#).

- **Actual Lives presents Disability from Real to Reel Film Festival**, September 14 - 15. Held at Dougherty Arts Center Theater, 1110 Barton Springs Road. Sponsored by VSA Texas. Cost: FREE, but donations are accepted. For more information, contact Lynn at 512-454-9912 or [lynn@vsatx.org](mailto:lynn@vsatx.org) or visit the [VSA Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Coach Training**, Saturday, September 15, 9:00am to 11:00am. Held at McNeil High School, 5720 McNeil Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
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- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Tournament**, Monday, September 24, 12:00pm to 4:00pm. Held at Balcones Country Club, 8600 Balcones Club Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
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- **Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival 2012**, Saturday, September 29, time TBD. Held at Goodwill Community Center, 1015 Norwood Park Blvd. Hosted by the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities. For more information, contact Laura Perna at 512-478-3366 or [lperna@cotwd.org](mailto:lperna@cotwd.org) or visit the [COTWD website](#).
- **Accessible Fishing For All Celebration**, Saturday, September 29, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Lady Bird Lake, E. Rendon Sr. Festival Beach, 2101 Bergman Street. Hosted by Core Health Foundation. For more information, email [info@corehealthfoundation.org](mailto:info@corehealthfoundation.org) or phone 512-968-0080 or visit the [Core Health Foundation website](#).
- **Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival 2012**, Friday, October 5 and Saturday, October 6, time TBD. Held at Alamo Drafthouse, 1120 South Lamar. Hosted by the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities. For more information, contact Laura Perna at 512-478-3366 or [lperna@cotwd.org](mailto:lperna@cotwd.org) or visit the [COTWD website](#).
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- **Special Olympics Texas – Area 13 Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)**, Saturday, October 13, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Region XIII Education Service Center, 5701 Springdale Rd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Jason Miller at 512-491-2964 or [jmiller@sotx.org](mailto:jmiller@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **White Cane Day**, Tuesday, October 16. March begins at the Capitol at 9:15am; to City Hall for Mayor’s Proclamation at 10:00am; to Republic Square Park 10:30am to 2:30pm. Sponsored by the Austin Mayor’s Committee for People with Disabilities. For more information, contact Alison Behringer at 512-377-0480 or [Alison.behringer@dars.state.tx.us](mailto:Alison.behringer@dars.state.tx.us) or visit the [White Cane Day website](#).
- **Disability Mentoring Day**, Wednesday, October 17, Job-Shadowing 9:00am to 12:00pm; Reception 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Held at Emma Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Arts Center, 600 Red River Street. Sponsored by the Austin Mayor’s Committee for People with Disabilities. For more information, contact Denise Sonleitner at 512-788-2205.
- **Mr. Dark’s Carnival Presents the 2012 Ghoullwill Ball**, Friday, October 26, 8:00pm to 12:00am. Held at The W Austin, 200 Lavaca Street. Fundraiser for Goodwill Industries of Central Texas. Cost: Varies. For information, contact [ghoullwillball@austingoodwill.org](mailto:ghoullwillball@austingoodwill.org) or visit the [Ghoullwill Ball website](#).
- **NAMI Texas Annual Conference: Partnering for Change, Building the Future**, November 1 – 3, Austin; Hosted by NAMI Texas. Held at the Sheraton Hotel at the Capitol. Registration Fee: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [NAMI Texas website](#).
- **Easter Seals’ 2012 Walk With Me Austin**, November 11, 7:30am, Registration; 8:30am, 5K Run; 9:00am, 1-Mile Walk; 9:00am to 10:30am, Community Resource Fair. Held at The Domain, 11410 Century Oaks Terrace. Sponsored by Easter Seals Texas. Cost: Varies; Fundraiser for Easter Seals. For more information, contact Angelica Reyes at 512-615-6817 or [areyes@eastersealstx.com](mailto:areyes@eastersealstx.com) or visit the [Easter Seals website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, November 11 – 14, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Showplace Lanes, 9504 North IH-35. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – New Coach Orientation**, Wednesday, November 28, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Held at SOTX Chapter Office, 7715 Chevy Chase Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Beaumont:**

- **SETX Self Advocate Meeting**, Every First Thursday of the Month, 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Held at Southeast Texas Non-Profit Development Center. Hosted by The ARC of Greater Beaumont. For more information, contact Janna Fulbright at the Spindletop Center at 409-839-1046 or at [janna.fulbright@stmhmr.org](mailto:janna.fulbright@stmhmr.org).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Coaches Training Clinic for Bowling**, Saturday, September 15, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Held at Crossroad Bowling Center, 4370 Dowlen Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Renee Klovenski at 713-290-0049 or [rklovenski@sotx.org](mailto:rklovenski@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **White Cane Walk on Main and The “Walk in Our Shoes” Blindness Experience**, Monday, October 15, 9:30am. Held at the Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main Street. Sponsored by the Beaumont Area Council of the Blind and participating sponsors. For more information, contact Kenneth Semien at [semien@sbcglobal.net](mailto:semien@sbcglobal.net) or 409-866-5838.
- **2012 Disability Education and Employment Conference: Our Disabilities Possess Possibilities**, Tuesday, October 16, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Held at the Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main Street. Sponsored by the Beaumont Area Council of the Blind and participating sponsors. For more information, contact Kenneth Semien at [semien@sbcglobal.net](mailto:semien@sbcglobal.net) or 409-866-5838.
- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bowling Tournament**, Saturday, December 8, 8:30am to 3:00pm. Held at Crossroad Bowling Center, 4370 Dowlen Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Renee Klovenski at 713-290-0049 or [rklovenski@sotx.org](mailto:rklovenski@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Belton:**

- **Bell County Commissioners and Judges Committee on People with Disabilities Fall Awards Banquet: “Promoting an Enlightened Perspective,”** Tuesday, October 23, 5:30pm to 8:00pm. Keynote Speaker: Michael Richardson of Broken R. Ranch. Held at the Bell County Expo Center. Cost: \$20; Tickets available at the Help Center in Temple and Killeen, Discover Natural Foods in Temple, Precious Memories in Temple, and from any Committee member. Sponsored by Bell County Commissioners and Judges Committee on People with Disabilities. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Heart of Texas Centers for Independent Living (HOTCIL) at 254-933-7487.

#### **Borger:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Borger Bowling Tournament**, Saturday, November 3, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Held at Wildcatter’s Bowling Alley, 1500 South Main. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Megan Spivey at 806-374-7171 or [mspivey@sotx.org](mailto:mspivey@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Boys Ranch:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Powerlifting Competition**, Saturday, November 10, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Held at Boys Ranch Fine Arts Building. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Megan Spivey at 806-374-7171 or [mspivey@sotx.org](mailto:mspivey@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Bryan/College Station:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Competition**, Thursday, September 27, 8:00am Start Time. Held at Briarcrest Country Club, 1929 Country Club Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics

Texas. For more information, contact Rachell Baldwin at 936-756-6906 or [rbaldwin@sotx.org](mailto:rbaldwin@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Competition**, Saturday, October 6, 8:00am – 4:00pm. Held at Veterans Park Patriot Field, 3101 Harvey Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Rachell Baldwin at 936-756-6906 or [rbaldwin@sotx.org](mailto:rbaldwin@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – 2012 Fall Classic Statewide Competition**, October 25 – 27. Held at various venues in Bryan/College Station. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sue Galkantas at 512-491-2943 or [sgalkantas@sotx.org](mailto:sgalkantas@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Buda:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Competition**, Saturday, September 22, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Held at Hayes Community Family Branch YMCA of Austin, 465 Buda Sportsplex Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at 512-491-2962 or [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Clute:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Regional Softball Classifications and Competition**, Saturday, September 15, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Held at the Stratton Ridge Sportsplex, Stratton Ridge Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Pam Hollaway at 281-218-6024 or [phollaway@sotx.org](mailto:phollaway@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Conroe:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, Saturday, November 3, 8:00am. Held at 300 Bowl, 902 Wilson Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Rachell Baldwin at 936-756-6906 or [rbaldwin@sotx.org](mailto:rbaldwin@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Corpus Christi:**

- **Corpus Christi Committee for Persons with Disabilities**, First Wednesday of each Month, 3:00pm; Monthly meeting; Open to the public. Location: City Hall, City Council Chambers, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 1201 Leopard Street. Cost: FREE. For more information, visit the [CFPWD website](#) or contact Sylvia Wilson at [sylviaw@cctexas.com](mailto:sylviaw@cctexas.com) or 361-826-3190.
- **Removing Barriers to Gaining, Maintaining or Regaining Employment for People with Disabilities**, First Wednesday of each Month, 10:00am to 3:00pm. Hosted by Disability Rights Texas. Held at Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend, 520 North Staples. Cost: FREE; first-come, first served. For more information, contact the office at 361-882-7491 or [info@workforcesolutionscb.org](mailto:info@workforcesolutionscb.org) or visit the [Workforce Solutions website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Competition**, Monday, September 10, Time and Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Alice Fulton-Garza at 361-857-5679 or [agarza@sotx.org](mailto:agarza@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Area 2 Golf Competition**, Wednesday, September 19, 12:30pm to 4:00pm. Held at Gabe Lozano Golf Center, 4401 Old Brownsville Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Alice Fulton-Garza at 361-857-5679 or [agarza@sotx.org](mailto:agarza@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Second Annual EAPD Job Fair**, Thursday, October 25, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Del Mar College – Center for Economic Development, 3209 South Staples Street. Sponsored by the Employment Alliance for People with Disabilities (EAPD). Cost: FREE, open to the public. For more information or for employers to register, contact Darren Bates at [Darren.bates@workforcesolutionscb.org](mailto:Darren.bates@workforcesolutionscb.org) or 316-885-3021 or visit the [EAPD website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, November 1 – 3, 7:30pm to 4:00pm. Held at AMF Saratoga Lanes, 6116 Ayers Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Alice Fulton-Garza at 361-857-5679 or [agarza@sotx.org](mailto:agarza@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Cypress:**

- **Breaking Barriers Fall Conference**, Saturday, September 29. Held at Cypress United Methodist Church, 13403 Cypress North Houston. Sponsored by Lighthouse Learning and Resource and Houston Autism Disability Network. For more information, visit the [Lighthouse Learning website](#).

### **Dallas:**

- **Caregiver Conference in Spanish**, Saturday, September 8, Time TBD. Held at Marillac Social Center, Roman Catholic Diocese of Dallas, 2843 Lapsley Street. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, phone 1-888-743-1213, or send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net) or visit the [Connect to Care website](#).
- **Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children Conference**, Saturday, September 15, Time TBD. Held at Methodist Charlton Hospital, 3500 Wheatland Road. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, phone 1-888-743-1213, or send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net) or visit the [Connect to Care website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – North Region Golf Competition**, Saturday, September 15, 7:00am to 1:00pm. Held at Tenison Park Golf Course, 3501 Samuel Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Sailing Competition**, September 29 – 30, 9:00am to 6:00pm (Check-in at 8:00am). Held at White Rock Lake, Corinthians Sailing Club. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Kayaking Competition**, Sunday, September 30, 9:00am to 6:00pm (Check-in at 8:00am). Held at White Rock Lake, The Boathouse, 2810 White Rock Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **DMC EmployAbility Expo 2012**, Monday, October 1, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Held at CityPlace Conference and Event Center, 2711 North Haskell. Cost: Booth Rental for employers is FREE,

but registration required; public attendance is FREE. Sponsored by the Dallas Mayor's Committee for the Employment of People with Disabilities. For more information, phone 214-658-9820 x 13# or visit the [DMC website](#).

- **Caregiver Conference**, Saturday, October 6, Time TBD. Held at First Presbyterian Church, 408 Park Avenue. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, phone 1-888-743-1213, or send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net) or visit the [Connect to Care website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, October 31 – November 10, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Held at USA Bowl, 10920 Composite Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Volleyball Classification**, Wednesday, November 7, 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Held at Highland Park Middle School, 3555 Granada Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Over the Edge (Rappelling event)**, Saturday, November 10, 8:00am to 6:00pm. Held at Oak Cliff Bank Tower, 400 South Zang Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Doug Ray at 214-084-9981 or [dray@sotx.org](mailto:dray@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Volleyball Competition**, November 16 – 17. Held at Southern Methodist University, Dedman Recreation Center, 6000 Airline. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Denton:**

- **Caregiver Conference**, Friday, September 14, Time TBD. Held at Denton Government Center, 306 North Loop 288, Suite 222. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, phone 1-877-229-9084, or send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net) or visit the [NCT Resource Center website](#).

### **Edcouch:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Sports Training Expo: Bocce, Softball and Volleyball**, Saturday, September 1, 8:30am to 4:00pm. Held at Edcouch-Elsa Junior High School. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Gloria Cruz at [gcruz@sotx.org](mailto:gcruz@sotx.org) or 956-630-3434 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Competition**, Saturday, October 20, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Carlos Truan Junior High School. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Gloria Cruz at [gcruz@sotx.org](mailto:gcruz@sotx.org) or 956-630-3434 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Elgin:**

- **Down Home Ranch Swim Fest**, Monday, September 3, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Down Home Ranch Pool. For more information, contact Down Home Ranch at 888-926-2253 or visit the [Down Home Ranch website](#).

## El Paso:

- **Special Olympics Texas – Athlete Softball Practice**, Every Saturday from September 8 – October 27, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Veterans Park Softball Field, 5301 Salem Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Athlete Training**, Saturday, September 8, 8:00am to 10:00pm. Held at Hawkins Pool, 1500 Hawkins. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Patti Purcell at 915-592-1146 or [nrazo@sotx.org](mailto:nrazo@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Practice**, Saturday, September 8, 8:00am to 11:00am. Held at Veterans Park Softball Field, 5301 Salem Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – American Eagle Paintball Tournament**, Saturday, September 22, 8:30am to 3:00pm. Held at American Eagle Paintball Field, 13191 Montana Avenue. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Marsha Baray at 915-533-8229 or [mbaray@sotx.org](mailto:mbaray@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Fall Games Bocce Tournament**, Saturday, October 13, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Veterans Park Softball Field, 5301 Salem Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Extravaganza Gala 2012: I Am Potential**, Thursday, October 18, 6:00pm to 11:00pm. Special Guests include Patrick Henry Hughes, author of “I Am Potential,” and his father Patrick John Hughes. Held at Wyndham El Paso Airport Hotel. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Marsha Baray at 915-533-8229 or [mbaray@sotx.org](mailto:mbaray@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Our Lives Disability Conference and Service Providers Expo**, October 24 - 25. Held at Camino Real Hotel, 101 El Paso Street. Cost: Individual, \$65; Exhibit Fee varies. Sponsored by Volar Center for Independent Living. For more information, phone 915-591-0800 or email [volar@volarcil.org](mailto:volar@volarcil.org) or visit the [Volar website](#).
- **Our Lives Disability Conference: Voter Rally – Meet the Candidates**, Wednesday, October 24. Held at Camino Real Hotel, 101 El Paso Street. Sponsored by Volar Center for Independent Living. For more information, phone 915-591-0800 or email [volar@volarcil.org](mailto:volar@volarcil.org) or visit the [Volar website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Fall Games Powerlifting Tournament**, Thursday, November 1, 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Held at Fred and Maria Loya YMCA, 2044 Trawood. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Fall Games Softball Tournament**, Saturday, November 3, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Veterans Park Softball Field. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Families Holiday Party**, Saturday, December 1, 12:00pm to 3:00pm. Held at Burgess High School Cafeteria, 7800 Edgemere Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Andrea Schiechl at 915-533-8229 or [aschiechl@sotx.org](mailto:aschiechl@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Farmer's Branch:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce/Softball Classifications**, Saturday, September 8, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Held at Oran Good Park, 1340 Tom Field Park. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce and Softball Competition**, Saturday, September 22, 7:30am to 5:00pm. Held at Oran Good Park, 1340 Tom Field Park. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Flower Mound:**

- **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Orientation**, Every Second Tuesday of the Month, 10:00am to 11:30am. For all EFMs and their families. Held at Oveta Culp Hobby Soldier and Family Readiness Center Bldg 18000. Sponsored by Exceptional Family Member Program. For more information, phone 254-287-6070 or email [usarmy.hood.imcom-fmwrc.list.acs-efmp@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.hood.imcom-fmwrc.list.acs-efmp@mail.mil).
- **Heart of Texas Self-Help Group**, Every Third Tuesday of the Month, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. For those whose lives have been touched by Multiple Sclerosis. Held at Robertson Avenue Baptist Church, 305 Robertson Avenue, Copperas Cove. Sponsored by Exceptional Family Member Program. For more information, phone 254-287-6070 or email [usarmy.hood.imcom-fmwrc.list.acs-efmp@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.hood.imcom-fmwrc.list.acs-efmp@mail.mil).
- **Caregiver Conference**, Friday, October 26, Time TBD. Held at Trietsch United Methodist Church, 6101 Morriss Road. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, phone 1-877-229-9084, or send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net) or visit the [NCT Resource Center website](#).

### **Fort Worth:**

- **Autism Workshop**, Every Second Friday of the Month, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Held at Easter Seals North Texas, 1424 Hemphill Street. Sponsored by Easter Seals North Texas. Cost: \$25; Registration required. For more information or to register, contact Shana Wiggins at 817-759-7970 or [swiggins@ntx.easterseals.com](mailto:swiggins@ntx.easterseals.com) or visit the [Easter Seals North Texas website](#).
- **LakeFest: Adaptive Water Sports and Outdoor Activities**, Saturday, September 15, All Day. Held at Marine Creek. Sponsored by Turning Point Nation and Metroplex Adaptive Water Sports. For more information, contact Blaine at 214-803-9955 or [blaine@youcanski.org](mailto:blaine@youcanski.org) or visit the [Turning Point website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Volleyball Coaches Training**, Saturday, September 22, 8:30am to 2:00pm. Held at Resource Connection, 1100 Circle Drive, Bldg 2300. Sponsored by Special

Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sherron Peace at 817-332-3433 or [speace@sotx.org](mailto:speace@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Competition**, Saturday, September 22, 7:15am to 3:00pm. Held at Rockwood Golf Course, 1851 Jacksboro Highway. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sherron Peace at 817-332-3433 or [speace@sotx.org](mailto:speace@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Principles of Coaching, Level 2**, Saturday, October 6, 8:15am to 1:00pm. Held at Resource Connection, 1100 Circle Drive, Bldg 2300. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sherron Peace at 817-332-3433 or [speace@sotx.org](mailto:speace@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, November 1 – 3, various times. Held at City View Lanes, 6601 Oakmont Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joel Maxwell at 817-332-3433 or [jmaxwell@sotx.org](mailto:jmaxwell@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Competition**, Saturday, November 17, 8:30am to 1:00pm. Held at Stroud's Fitness Center, 416 West Bedford-Eules Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sherron Peace at 817-332-3433 or [speace@sotx.org](mailto:speace@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Frisco:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Figure Skating Competition**, Sunday, November 4, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Held at The Ice at Stonebriar Center. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or email [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org), or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Gatesville:**

- **TRAN Fishing Tournament 2012: Bay and Jetty Trip**, Saturday, July 21, 8:00am to 12:00pm. Board boat at Pier 19. Hosted by Texas RehaAction Network (TRAN). Cost: \$25 for TRAN members; \$30 for non-members. For more information, contact Regina Day at [mrs.wd11@yahoo.com](mailto:mrs.wd11@yahoo.com).

#### **Galveston:**

- **Moody Gardens Paralympic Experience**, Saturday, September 8, All Day. Held at Moody Gardens. Cost: FREE, but pre-registration is required. Sponsored by Turning Point Nation. For more information or to register, contact Nance Powers at 972-524-4231 or [npowers@turningpointnation.org](mailto:npowers@turningpointnation.org) or visit the [Turning Point website](#).

#### **Graham:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bowling Competition**, Saturday, November 17, 8:30am to 4:00pm. Held at Steer Bowl, 1444 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Mike Strickland at 940-781-5541 or [mstrickland@sotx.org](mailto:mstrickland@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

## Grapevine:

- **Camp Craig Allen 6<sup>th</sup> Annual BBQ Cook-Off**, September 7, 5:00pm Kick-Off Party and Concert; September 8, 10:00am to 7:00pm. Held at Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World, 2501 Bass Pro Drive. Cost: Friday event, varies; Saturday event, FREE Admission and \$10 for unlimited samples. Sponsored by Camp Craig Allen, Bass Pro Shops and Embassy Suites. For more information or to order tickets, contact Dawn Fournier at [dawn@campcraigallen.org](mailto:dawn@campcraigallen.org) or 940-365-4357 or visit the [Camp Craig Allen website](#).

## Houston:

- **Houston Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities Commission on Disabilities meeting**, Second Thursday of Each Month, 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Held at the Multipurpose Center, 1475 West Gray. Cost: FREE, Open to the Public; ASL interpreters and CART provided. For more information, contact Kaitlyn Tracy at 281-936-0770 or [kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov](mailto:kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov).
- **Information and Hope for Families: For Spanish Speaking Parents of Children with Disabilities**, First Thursday of Each Month, 6:45pm to 9:00pm. Volunteer to help with Inspiration Day, honoring students and encouraging parent participation. Held at the Graceview Baptist Church, 25510 Tomball Parkway. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Carmen Pulger at 281-773-8318 or [mcpulger@att.net](mailto:mcpulger@att.net).
- **Autism Playgroup of Fort Bend County**, First Saturday of Each Month, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Lost Creek Park and various other parks in Fort Bend County. RSVP required. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Susan Garczynski at 281-726-2665 or [susan@susangar.com](mailto:susan@susangar.com).
- **Prosumer Meetings: Empowerment for People with a Mental Health Diagnosis**, Every Second Saturday of the Month, 12:00pm to 3:00pm. Sponsored by Prosumers International. Held at MHMRA of Harris County Southwest Conference Center, 7033 Southwest Freeway. For more information, contact Janet Paleo at [jpaleo2002@gmail.com](mailto:jpaleo2002@gmail.com) or visit the [Prosumers International website](#).
- **North Houston Autism Playgroup**, Third Saturday of Each Month, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Bear Branch Park, 5200 Research Forest Drive. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Janet Cooper at 281-231-2262 or [visit the website](#).
- **Families CAN Support Group**, First Tuesday of Each Month, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd. Cost: FREE. For more information, call 713-743-5435 or 713-743-5592.
- **Families Coping with Mental Illness: Public Meeting**, Third Monday of Each Month, 7:15pm to 9:00pm. Held at Memorial Drive Methodist Church, 12955 Memorial Drive. Cost: FREE. For more information, visit the [NAMI website](#).
- **Families Coping with Adult Mental Illness: Public Meeting**, First and Third Sunday of Each Month, 4:00pm to 5:30pm. Held at St. Peter's United Methodist Church, 20775 Kingsland Blvd. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Pat or Leon Alderfer at 713-467-3764.
- **Families Coping with Adult Mental Illness: Public Meeting**, Second and Fourth Sunday of Each Month, 2:30pm to 4:00pm. Held at Pines Presbyterian Church, 12751 Kimberley. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Vi Napolitano at 281-893-2493.

- **Families Coping with Children and Adolescent Mental Illness: Public Meeting**, Second and Fourth Sunday of Each Month, 2:30pm to 4:00pm. Held at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church, 12955 Memorial Drive. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Bonnie Cord at 713-984-2538.
- **Fun Fridays Sewing Classes** for high-functioning teens and young adults, Every Friday in September, 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Hosted by the Lighthouse Learning and Resource Center. Held at the Lighthouse Learning and Resource Center, 10928 Grant Road. Cost: \$15 per class, plus \$15 for material. For more information or to register, contact Robin at [robin@lhlearningresource.com](mailto:robin@lhlearningresource.com) or visit the [LH Learning website](#).
- **Third Annual Family Strengths Symposium**, September 5 – 6. Held at University of Houston Downtown Center for Family Strengths, One Main Street. Cost: Varies; registration necessary. For more information, visit the [Center for Family Strengths website](#).
- **Family to Family Back to School Breakfast**, Saturday, September 8, 8:00am to 10:00am. Hosted by Family to Family Network. Held at Applebee's, 19821 Northwest Freeway. Cost: Buffet, \$12 adults, \$10 children under 12. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact Alexandria Hodge at 713-466-6304 or [ahodge@familytofamily.org](mailto:ahodge@familytofamily.org) or visit the [Family to Family website](#).
- **The River Performing and Visual Arts Center Fall 2012 Saturday Morning Program of Arts Classes** for youth with disabilities and their siblings ages 3 to 19; 10-week program begins Saturday, September 8. Held at The River, 1475 West Gray. Cost: \$125 per class; financial aid is available. For more information, phone 713-520-1220 or email [education@tuts.com](mailto:education@tuts.com) or visit [The River website](#).
- **Literacy Toolbox Workshop**, Monday, September 10, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Hosted by Greater Clear Lake Families Exploring Down Syndrome. Held at Clear Lake United Methodist Church. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to register, visit the [GCLFEDS website](#).
- **Special Education 101: An Overview of State and Federal Law**, Wednesday, September 12, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at 3737 Dacoma Street, Suite E. Cost: \$25; registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Ability STEM Resource Fair and Pizza Party**, Wednesday, September 12, 11:30am to 1:30pm. Hosted by Barbara Jordan High School for Careers. Held at Barbara Jordan High School, 5800 Eastex Freeway. For more information, contact Evelyn Gonzales at 832-387-2875 or [bjendeavors@att.net](mailto:bjendeavors@att.net) or visit the [Barbara Jordan Ambassadors website](#).
- **Dionysus Theatre Classes! Classes!** for students with disabilities, Classes run September 12 through November 7, 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Held at two locations – The Woodlands United Methodist Church, 2200 Lake Woodlands Drive, and at the Dionysus Theatre main stage location, 5300 North Braeswood. Cost: \$125 for 10-week class. For more information, contact Dionysus Theatre at 713-728-0041 or visit the [Dionysus Theatre website](#).
- **Volunteer Accessible Parking Enforcement Training**, Thursday, September 13, October 11, or November 8, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray Street. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to

register, contact Roland De La Cerda at [roland.delacerda@houstontx.gov](mailto:roland.delacerda@houstontx.gov) or call 832-393-8655 or visit the [Houston Mayor's Office website](#).

- **Creating Successful IEP Goals: Parent-Focused Training**, Tuesday, September 18, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at MHMRA's Conference Center, 7033 Southwest Freeway. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Regional Bocce Tournament**, Saturday, September 22, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cody Meredith at 713-290-0049 or [cmeredith@sotx.org](mailto:cmeredith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Regional Golf Tournament**, Monday, September 24, 8:00am to 3:00pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cody Meredith at 713-290-0049 or [cmeredith@sotx.org](mailto:cmeredith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Pasadena Local Softball Tournament**, Saturday, September 29, 8:30am to 4:00pm. Held at Pasadena ISD Sports Complex, 2715 South Richey. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Dolores Whiteside at 281-998-0360 or [dwhiteside@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:dwhiteside@pasadenaisd.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Houston Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities' Disability Awareness Kick-Off Event**, Friday, October 5, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Hosted by the Houston Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities. Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Kaitlyn Tracy at [kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov](mailto:kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov) or 281-936-0770 or visit the [Houston Mayor's Office website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – 2012 Chapter Sailing and Kayaking Statewide Competition**, October 6 – 7. Held at White Rock Lake, Houston. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sue Galkantas at 512-491-2943 or [sgalkantas@sotx.org](mailto:sgalkantas@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Education 101: An Overview of State and Federal Law**, Wednesday, October 10, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at 3737 Dacoma Street, Suite E. Cost: \$25; registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Disability Awareness Month/Ability Workshop and STEM Resource Fair**, Wednesday, October 10, 11:30am to 1:30pm. Hosted by Verma Mamta, Special Education North Forest ISD. Held at North Forest High School, 9966 Mesa Street. For more information, contact Evelyn Gonzales at 832-387-2875 or [bjendeavors@att.net](mailto:bjendeavors@att.net) or visit the [Barbara Jordan Ambassadors website](#).
- **NDEAM Job Fair**, Thursday, October 11, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Hosted by Workforce Solutions, Veterans Administration, the City of Houston and others. Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray. Cost: FREE, open to the public. For more information, contact Cornelius Booker at 713-692-7755 or [cornelius.booker@wrksolutions.com](mailto:cornelius.booker@wrksolutions.com).
- **Dionysus Theatre presents "Duets"**; show opens Saturday, October 13 and runs through Tuesday, October 30; this show will be produced in ASL. Held at the Dionysus Theatre, 5300

North Braeswood. Cost: varies. For more information and show times, contact Dionysus Theatre at 713-728-0041 or visit the [Dionysus Theatre website](#).

- **Special Education and Appropriate Services for Students with Autism: Parent-Focused Training**, Monday, October 15, 11:00am to 2:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at MHMRA's Conference Center, 7033 Southwest Freeway. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Legal Clinic for Persons with Disabilities**, Thursday, October 18, 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Hosted by the Houston Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities and Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program. Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Kaitlyn Tracy at [kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov](mailto:kaitlyn.tracy@houstontx.gov) or 281-936-0770 or visit the [Houston Mayor's Office website](#).
- **White Cane Safety Day Event**, Tuesday, October 23, March begins at 10:00am (please arrive by 9:30am); Exhibitors until 1:00pm on the grounds of City Hall. March begins at Main Street Square Station and will proceed to Hermann Square at the Steps of City Hall. Hosted by the City of Houston in partnership with DARS and others. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Benigno Aceves at 713-802-3100.
- **2012 Lex Frieden Employment Awards Ceremony – Texas Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities**, Wednesday, October 24, 11:30am – 2:00pm. Held at Hilton Hotel Hobby Airport, Houston. In partnership with the Houston Mayor's Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities. Cost: \$30. For more information, contact Jo Virgil (GCPD) at 512-463-5740 or [jo.virgil@governor.state.tx.us](mailto:jo.virgil@governor.state.tx.us) or visit the [GCPD website](#); to register, contact Raul Tello at [raul.tello@dars.state.tx.us](mailto:raul.tello@dars.state.tx.us) or 713-928-7700.
- **Including You Conference: Building Inclusive Schools Together**, October 26 – 27. Held at University of Houston – Sugarland Campus. Sponsored by Father's Joy, University of Houston, Disability Rights Texas, The Rise School and others. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [Including You website](#).
- **Ability Workshop, STEM Resource Fair and Pizza Party**, Wednesday, November 8, 11:30am to 1:30pm. Hosted by Erica McCready, Houston Height High School. Held at Houston Height School, 1125 Lawrence Street. For more information, contact Evelyn Gonzales at 832-387-2875 or [bjendeavors@att.net](mailto:bjendeavors@att.net) or visit the [Barbara Jordan Ambassadors website](#).
- **Successful Behavior Intervention in School Settings for Students with Special Needs: Parent-Focused Training**, Monday, November 12, 11:00am to 1:30pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at MHMRA's Conference Center, 7033 Southwest Freeway. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Special Education 101: An Overview of State and Federal Law**, Wednesday, November 14, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at 3737 Dacoma Street, Suite E. Cost: \$25; registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bowling Tournament**, Friday, November 30, 8:30am to 3:00pm. Held at Copperfield Bowling Center, 15615 Glen Chase Road. Sponsored by Special

Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Renee Klovenski at 713-290-0049 or [rklovenski@sotx.org](mailto:rklovenski@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Ability Workshop and STEM Resource Fair**, Wednesday, December 5, 11:30am to 1:30pm. Hosted by Barbara Jordan High School for Careers and NASA. Held at Barbara Jordan High School for Careers, 5800 Eastex Freeway. For more information, contact Evelyn Gonzales at 832-387-2875 or [bjendeavors@att.net](mailto:bjendeavors@att.net) or visit the [Barbara Jordan Ambassadors website](#).
- **How to Interpret School and Medical Evaluations to Help a Child Succeed: Parent-Focused Training**, Friday, December 7, 11:00am to 1:30pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at MHMRA's Conference Center, 7033 Southwest Freeway. Cost: FREE, but registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Special Education 101: An Overview of State and Federal Law**, Wednesday, December 12, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Held at 3737 Dacoma Street, Suite E. Cost: \$25; registration required. For more information and to register, contact Karen at 713-957-1600 x14 or [karen@aogh.org](mailto:karen@aogh.org) or visit the [AOGH website](#).
- **Ability Workshop and STEM Resource Fair**, Wednesday, December 12, 11:30am to 1:30pm. Hosted by Dr. Fredrick Walker, Principal, Westfield High School. Held at Westfield High School, 16713 Ella Blvd. For more information, contact Evelyn Gonzales at 832-387-2875 or [bjendeavors@att.net](mailto:bjendeavors@att.net) or visit the [Barbara Jordan Ambassadors website](#).

#### **Hurst:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Competition**, Saturday, November 17, 8:30am to 1:00pm. Held at Stroud's Fitness Center, 416 West Bedford-Eules Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Killeen:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Training**, Saturday, September 15, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Hallmark Lanes, 4203 Shawn Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowl for the Gold**, Saturday, October 20, 12:00pm to 3:00pm. Held at Hallmark Lanes, 4203 Shawn Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, November 16 – 17, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Phantom Warrior Lanes, Clear Creek Road at Santa Fe Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

#### **Laredo:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Coaches Training**, Wednesday, September 5, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Casa Blanca Golf Course, 3900 Casa Blanca Road. Sponsored by Special

Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Coaches Training**, Wednesday, September 19, 10:30am to 1:00pm. Held at Inner City Pool, 201 West Plum. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Table Tennis Coaches Training**, Friday, September 21, 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Sports Training Expo: Soccer, Table Tennis, and Volleyball**, Friday, September 21, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Held at UISD Student Activity Center, Haynes Recreation Center. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Softball Coaches Training**, Friday, September 28, 9:30am to 2:00pm. Held at UISD Student Activity Center, 5201 Santa Claudia. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Coaches Clinic**, Friday, September 28, 9:30am to 12:00pm. Held at UISD Student Activity Center, 5201 Santa Claudia. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Fun League**, Every Friday, October 5 – 26, 10:00am to 1:00pm. Held at Jett Bowl North, 701 Gale Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Competition**, Friday, October 19, 8:30am to 2:00pm. Held at Inner City Pool, 202 West Plum. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Softball Competition**, Thursday, October 25, 9:00am to 1:30pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Competition**, Thursday, October 25, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Student Activity Center, 5207 Santa Claudia. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Competition**, Thursday, November 1, 9:30am to 1:00pm. Held at Border Region MHMR, 1500 Pappas. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Competition**, Friday, November 2, 9:30am to 2:00pm. Held at Casa Blanca Golf Course. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Table Tennis Competition**, Friday, November 16, 9:30am to 1:00pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Maribel Santoya-Maciel at 956-712-2144 or [msnatoya@sotx.org](mailto:msnatoya@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### League City:

- **Third Annual Step Up Walk Fundraiser**, Saturday, October 20, 9:00am to 12:00pm. Held at Big League Dreams Sports Park. Hosted by Greater Clear Lakes Families Exploring Down Syndrome. Cost: Varies; Fundraiser for GCLFEDS. For more information, visit the [GCLFEDS website](#).

### Longview:

- **I Am Able! Annual East Texas Sports Fest**, Saturday, September 15, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Held at Lake Gladewater. Hosted by POWER (People On Wheels Encouraging Responsibility). Events include Kayaking, water skiing, archery, fishing, and others. Cost: FREE for participants with disabilities and their guests, but registration is necessary. For more information or to register, contact Judie Spyhalski-Moffett at 903-295-0926 or [judie@powerincorporated.org](mailto:judie@powerincorporated.org) or visit the [POWER website](#).
- **Breaking the Mold in East Texas: A Seminar for Employers on the Benefits of Hiring People with Disabilities**, Tuesday, October 9, 10:00am to 2:30pm. Held at Maude Cobb Convention and Activity Complex, 100 Grand Avenue. Hosted by the East Texas Center for Independent Living, Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, and Workforce Solutions East Texas. Cost: FREE, but registration is necessary. For more information or to register, contact Karen Holt at 903-241-6021 or 903-918-8885, or [kholt@etcil.org](mailto:kholt@etcil.org), or visit the [ETCIL website](#).

### Lubbock:

- **West Texas Archery**, Second and Fourth Thursdays of each month, 6:30pm. For sports enthusiasts with mobility impairments. Sponsored by Turning Point. Held at Lubbock Indoor Archery. For more information, visit the [Turning Point website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Special Bowling League**, Sundays from September 2 through October 28, 2:15pm to 4:00pm. Held at South Plains Lanes, 5150 69<sup>th</sup> Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact the SOTX Area Director at 806-749-7000 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### Manchaca:

- **Special Olympics Texas – Flag Football Coach Training**, Saturday, September 15, 9:00am to 11:00am. Held at Marbridge Foundation, 2310 Bliss Spillar Road. Sponsored by Special

Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at 512-291-2962 or [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **McAllen:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Training School**, Saturday, September 8, 9:30am to 1:00pm. Held at Flamingo Bowl, 3301 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Gloria Cruz at 956-630-3434 or [gcruz@sotx.org](mailto:gcruz@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **CTD Annual Conference: iMake a Difference Convention**, September 14 - 15. Held at the Casa de Palmas Renaissance Hotel, McAllen. Hosted by the Coalition for Texans with Disabilities. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, send a message to [cotwd@cotwd.org](mailto:cotwd@cotwd.org) or phone 512-478-3366 or visit the [Coalition for Texans with Disabilities website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Ramp Bowlers Age 16+**, Tuesday, November 6, 8:30am to 1:30pm. Held at Flamingo Bowl, 3301 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Gloria Cruz at 956-630-3434 or [gcruz@sotx.org](mailto:gcruz@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition Ages 8 - 15**, Saturday, November 17, 8:00am to 4:00pm. Held at Flamingo Bowl, 3301 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Gloria Cruz at 956-630-3434 or [gcruz@sotx.org](mailto:gcruz@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Midland:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Bowling Competition**, Saturday, November 10, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Held at AMF Midland Park Lanes, 5320 West Loop 250 North. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Norm Arias at 512-491-2935 or [narias@sotx.org](mailto:narias@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Nacogdoches:**

- **Sports Day Out: Bringing People with Disabilities Together**, Saturday, October 6, 10:00am to 2:00pm. Held at the SFA AG Pond. Hosted by the Nacogdoches Mayor's Committee on People with Disabilities. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Alan Larson at [larsona1@sfasu.edu](mailto:larsona1@sfasu.edu) or 936-468-1150.

### **North Richland Hills:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Volleyball Competition and 2012 Athlete Christmas Party**, Saturday, December 1, 7:30am to 4:00pm. Held at Fort Worth Christian School, 6200 Holiday Lane. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Sherron Peace at 817-332-3433 or [speace@sotx.org](mailto:speace@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Odessa:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Softball Area Competition**, Saturday, October 6, 8:00am to 5:00pm. Held at UTPB Softball Complex. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more

information, contact Norm Arias at 512-491-2935 or [narias@sotx.org](mailto:narias@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Pampa:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Tournament**, Saturday, October 6, 11:30am to 6:00pm. Held at Hidden Hills Golf Course, Highway 60 North. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Megan Spivey at 806-374-7171 or [mspivey@sotx.org](mailto:mspivey@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Pflugerville:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Basketball Coaches Training**, Saturday, December 1, 9:00am to 11:00am. Held at Pflugerville Middle School, 1600 West Settlers Valley Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Joanna Sarrett at [jsarrett@sotx.org](mailto:jsarrett@sotx.org) or 512-491-2962 or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Richardson:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Principles of Coaching**, Saturday, June 9, 9:00am to 4:00pm. Held at Region 10/Abrams Site, Brazos Room, 904 Abrams. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Cyndi Murchison at 214-943-9981 or [cmurchison@sotx.org](mailto:cmurchison@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Robinson:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Softball Competition**, Saturday, September 8, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Robinson Little League – Youngblood Park, 200 East Moonlight Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **San Angelo:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, Friday, October 19, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Held at Stadium Lanes, 2105 Knickerbocker Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Elizabeth Bye at 325-677-3200 or email [ebye@sotx.org](mailto:ebye@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **San Antonio:**

- **Eva's Heroes Special Presentations**, First and Third Tuesday of the Month, 5:30pm. Special showings of Hollywood's latest family-friendly films in a sensory-friendly and accepting environment. Hosted by Eva's Heroes and Santikos. Held at Santikos Embassy 14 and Santikos Silverado 16. Cost: Varies; guests with intellectual special needs admitted free. For more information, visit the calendar on the [DisabilitySA website](#).
- **Prosumer Meetings: Empowerment for People with a Mental Health Diagnosis**, Every Second Friday of the Month, 12:00pm to 3:00pm OR Every Third Tuesday of the Month, 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Sponsored by Prosumers International. Held at Prosumer Action Center,

1921 Burnet. For more information, contact Janet Paleo at [jpaleo2002@gmail.com](mailto:jpaleo2002@gmail.com) or visit the [Prosumers International website](#).

- **Special Olympics Texas – Roller Skating Coaches Training**, Tuesday, September 4, Time and Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Principles of Coaching**, Wednesday, September 5, Time TBD. Held at the Area Office, 10223 McAllister Freeway, Suite 100. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – General Orientation and Protective Behavior Courses**, Wednesday, September 5, Time TBD. Held at the Area Office, 10223 McAllister Freeway, Suite 100. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Table Tennis Coaches Training**, Saturday, September 8, Time and Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Coaches Training**, Saturday, September 8, Time and Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Coaching**, Tuesday, September 11, Time and Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shannon Wells at 210-530-9898 or [swells@sotx.org](mailto:swells@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Golf Competition**, Tuesday, September 25, 3:00pm to 7:00pm. Held at Republic Golf Course, 4226 SE Military Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Competition**, Sunday, September 30 to Monday, October 1, 9:00am to 5:00pm. Held at Burbank High School, 1002 Edwards. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Competition**, Saturday, October 6, 9:30am to 3:00pm. Held at Bill Walker Pool, Blossom Athletic Center, 12002 Jones Maltsberger. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **First Annual Early Childhood Mental Health and Wellness Conference: Nurturing Connections for Young Children**, October 11 – 12. Held at the Whitley Theological Center, 285 Oblate Drive, San Antonio. Hosted by Texas Association for Infant Mental Health. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, visit the [TAIMH website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Flag Football Competition**, Saturday, October 13, 8:30am to 5:00pm. Held at Fox Tech High School, 637 North Main. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

- **Singing the Blues Music Festival**, Saturday, October 27, 2:00pm to 11:00pm. Featuring Augie Meyers, Bobby Mack and others. Fundraiser for SAILS. Hosted by the San Antonio Independent Living Services (SAILS). Held at Sunken Gardens Theatre, 3875 North St. Mary's. For more information, visit the [SAILS Advocates website](#), or contact Kitty Brietzke at 210-281-1878.
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, Wednesday, November 7, 9:30am to 5:00pm. Held at Country Lanes, 13307 San Pedro. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Table Tennis Competition**, Tuesday, November 27, 9:30am to 2:00pm. Held at Alamo Convocation Center, 110 Tuleta Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Roller Skating Competition**, Monday, December 3, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Car-Vel Skating Center. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Shawn Britt at 210-530-9898 or [sbritt@sotx.org](mailto:sbritt@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### Stephenville:

- **Erath County Caregiver Conference**, Friday, September 21, Time TBD. Held at First Baptist Church Paradigm Center, 555 West Washington Street. Sponsored by Connect to Care. For more information, send an email to [caregiver@att.net](mailto:caregiver@att.net).

### Sugarland:

- **Special Olympics Texas – Aquatics Competition**, Saturday, September 8, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Held at Don Cook Natatorium, 16403 Lexington Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Pam Hollaway at 281-218-6024 or [phollaway@sotx.org](mailto:phollaway@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### Temple:

- **Special Olympics Texas – Table Tennis Training**, Thursday, October 11, 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Held at the Wilson Recreation Center, 2205 Curtis Elliot Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### Texas City:

- **Special Olympics Texas – Volleyball Competition**, Saturday, November 10, 8:30am to 5:30pm. Location TBD. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Pam Hollaway at 281-218-6024 or [phollaway@sotx.org](mailto:phollaway@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

## **Tomball:**

- **Fourth Friday at The Hub**, Friday, September 28, 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Social Event for teens and young adults with HFA/Aspergers Syndrome. Held at Rose Hill UMC Youth Center, 21022 Rosehill Church Road. Cost: FREE, but RSVP required. For more information, contact Cathy at 281-384-1747 or [cgrigory0308@gmail.com](mailto:cgrigory0308@gmail.com).

## **Tyler:**

- **Disability Issues Review Board meetings**, Thursday, September 6 and Thursday, November 1, 4:00pm. Location and agenda will be posted on the City of Tyler website two weeks in advance of each meeting. For more information, contact Juanita Fletcher at [Juanita.fletcher@dars.state.tx.us](mailto:Juanita.fletcher@dars.state.tx.us) or visit the [City of Tyler website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Area Fall Games**, Saturday, September 15, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Held at Golden Park, 2300 McDonald Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Ricky Lopez at 936-639-1755 or [rlopez@sotx.org](mailto:rlopez@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

## **Waco:**

- **Waco Mayor’s Committee on People with Disabilities Monthly Meeting**. First Thursday of the month, 12:00pm to 1:00pm. Cost: FREE; open to the public. Held at the City of Waco Dr. Mae Jackson Development Center, 401 Franklin Ave. For more information, contact Kelly Yarbrough at [Kelly.yarbrough@dars.state.tx.us](mailto:Kelly.yarbrough@dars.state.tx.us) or phone 254-214-7253.
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Tactics Training, Level III**, Saturday, September 1, Time TBD. Held at the SOTX Area Office, 6801 Sanger Avenue. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **NAMI Waco Second Annual Mental Health Expo**. Sunday, September 29, 1:00pm. Keynote Speaker: Yashi Brown. Hosted by National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Waco. Cost: Varies. For more information or to register, contact NAMI at 254-297-7107 or [namiwaco@gmail.com](mailto:namiwaco@gmail.com) or visit the [NAMI Waco website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bocce Competition**, Saturday, October 6, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Held at the University High School, 3201 South New Road. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at 254-230-4824 or [tsmith@sotx.org](mailto:tsmith@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Second Annual Heart of Texas Buddy Walk**. Sunday, October 14, 2:30pm to 5:00pm. Walk begins at Hart Patterson Track and Field Complex. Hosted by Heart of Texas Down Syndrome Network Cost: Varies; Fundraiser for HOTDSN. For more information or to register, contact HOTDSN at 254-230-9782 or [support@hotdsn.org](mailto:support@hotdsn.org) or visit the [HOTDSN website](#).

## **Webster:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Competition**, Saturday, December 1, 8:00am to 4:00pm. Held at Alpha Lanes, 318 West Bay Area Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For

more information, contact Pam Hollaway at 281-218-6024 or [phollaway@sotx.org](mailto:phollaway@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).

### **Wichita Falls:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Midwestern State University Tennis Camp**, Saturday, September 1, 9:00am to 10:00am. Held at the Midwestern State Tennis Courts, corner of Midwestern Parkway and Council Drive. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Mike Strickland at 940-692-2986 or [mstrickland@sotx.org](mailto:mstrickland@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Special Olympics Texas – Bowling Coaches Training**, Monday, September 17, Time TBD. Held at Village Bowl, 4022 Kemp Blvd. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Mike Strickland at 940-692-2986 or [mstrickland@sotx.org](mailto:mstrickland@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).
- **Transition Fair**, Wednesday, October 17, 8:30am to 11:30am; for High School Juniors and Seniors with Disabilities. Held at Midwestern State University, Clark Student Center. Hosted/Sponsored by Midwestern State University, Workforce Solutions, Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, and Region IX Education Service Center. Cost: FREE. For more information, contact Patti Hamilton at 940-767-1432 or [patricia.hamilton@ntxworksolutions.org](mailto:patricia.hamilton@ntxworksolutions.org).

### **Willis:**

- **Special Olympics Texas – Powerlifting Competition**, Saturday, November 10, 11:00am to 4:00pm. Held at Willis High School, 1201 FM 830. Sponsored by Special Olympics Texas. For more information, contact Rachell Baldwin at 936-756-6906 or [rbaldwin@sotx.org](mailto:rbaldwin@sotx.org) or visit the [Special Olympics Texas website](#).