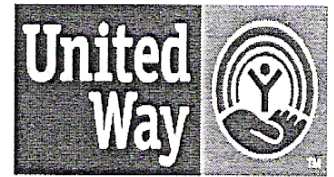


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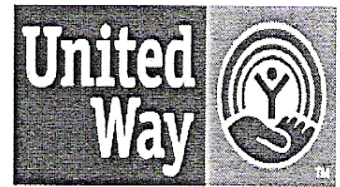
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<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Adopt America Network—For Parents of Adoptive or Foster Children with Special needs</b> —Robin at 419-726-5100 or Julie George at 614-206-5098 2nd Tuesday of the month (March 10 & April 14) <b>Time:</b> 5:30—7:30 PM 1500 N Superior Street, Suite 303—Toledo, OH 43624	<b>Comments:</b> Check us out on the web: <a href="http://www.adoptamericawork.org">www.adoptamericawork.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Asperger Family Support Group</b> Linell Weinberg—(419) 578-2766 4th Monday of the month (March 23 & April 27) <b>Time:</b> 6:30—8 PM Great Lakes Center for Autism, The ASNO Office	<b>Comments:</b> <b>Check us out on the web:</b> <a href="http://www.asno.org">www.asno.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Autism / Asperger Parent Support Groups –Lima/Allen County</b> West Central Ohio Autism Community—419-578-2766 2nd Tuesday of the month (March 10 & April 14) <b>Time:</b> 6:30—8:30 PM Market Street Presbyterian Church, 1100 W. Market St., Lima, OH	<b>Comments:</b> <b>Check us out on the web:</b> <a href="http://www.asno.org">www.asno.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Autism Support Group—Hancock County</b> Dottie at 419-957-1494 2nd Tuesday (March 10 & April 14) <b>Time:</b> 6:30-8:00 PM Blanchard Valley School, Findlay	<b>Comments:</b> Check us out on the Web: <a href="http://www.asno.org">www.asno.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Autism / Parents of Adults with ASD</b> Linell Weinberg at: 419-578-2766 3rd Tuesday of the month (March 17 & April 21) <b>Time:</b> 11:30 AM-1 PM ASNO Office, Parent Resource Library, 4848 Dorr St.	<b>Comments:</b> Check us out on the Web: <a href="http://www.asno.org">www.asno.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Brain Injury Support Group</b> Jeff McAnall at: 419-383-4309 or Christine Veronie at: 419-380-5110 3rd Wednesday of the month (March 18 & April 15) <b>Time:</b> 7:00—9:00 PM Outpatient Rehab Gym in Dowling Hall on MUO Campus	<b>Comments:</b> Open to brain injury survivors, friends and family members
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Brain Injury Support Group</b> Christine Veronie (BIA) 419-380-5110 2nd Monday of the month (March 9 & April 13) <b>Time:</b> 10:00 AM Sanger Library, 3030 W. Central Ave., Toledo, OH	<b>Comments:</b> Open to parents of children with brain injuries. Check us out at <a href="mailto:www.cveronie@biaoh.org">www.cveronie@biaoh.org</a>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Caring and Restoring Each other—C.A.R.E.</b> Kim Folk-Axe at: 419-291-5421 3rd Tuesday of the month (March 17 & April 21) <b>Time:</b> 7:30 - 9 PM Harris-Macintosh at Toledo Hospital, call for room number	<b>Comments:</b> For parents who have experienced perinatal deaths—provides emotional support and opportunities to meet and share ideas with other bereaved parents in a caring environment
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Down Syndrome Association of Greater Toledo</b> Please see the Comments Section for details.	<b>Comments:</b> Contact us at 419-536-4321 or check us out at <a href="http://www.dsagt.org">www.dsagt.org</a> for support meetings and events.
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Down Syndrome Parent Group—Fulton County</b> Call Mary @ 419-822-9139 for more information 2nd Thursday of the month (March 12 & April 9) <b>Time:</b> 6:30—8 PM Board of DD, 1210 Ottokee St., Wauseon	<b>Comments:</b> Meeting dates could change depending on the coordinator’s schedule. Contact Mary before each meeting.
<b>Group:</b> <b>DSAGT</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Couple’s Night Out:</b> Saturday, March 14—Max & Erma’s on Dussel Saturday, April 11, Olive Gardens on Monroe Street <b>Mom’s Night Out:</b> Tuesday, March 3—Rosei’s Italian Grill on McCord Monday, April 6—Blue Pacific Grill in Perrysburg <b>Dad’s Night Out:</b> Monday, March 16—Red Wells on River Road Thursday, April 16—Jed’s in Perrysburg	<b>Comments:</b> Contact Sherri at 419-474-3254 for more information. All Nite Outs at 6:30 PM

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<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Epilepsy Center—Lucas County</b> Wendy Turner at: 419-867-5950 3rd Thursday of the month (March 19 & April 16) Epilepsy Center 5405 Southwyck Blvd.	<b>Time:</b> 1:00 PM	<b>Comments:</b> The Lucas Co Adult Peer Support Group now meets the 3rd Monday of the month. 1-3 PM
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Fulton Co. Parent Group</b> 3rd Tuesday (March 17 & April 21) Leann 419-337-0021, ext 105, Kristie, 419-337-4575, x 379 Board of DD, 1210 Ottokee St., Wauseon	<b>Time:</b> 6:30—8:30 PM	<b>Comments:</b> For parents of kids with DD
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Hearing Loss Assoc. of America—Toledo Chapter</b> Audrey Madyun—419-891-2982 Rebecca Burdue—rburdue @utnet.utoledo.edu Sally Redrup TTY—419-891-0784 2nd Tuesday of the month (March 10 & April 14) The Ability Center, 5605 Monroe Street	<b>Time:</b> 7:00 PM	<b>Comments:</b> National Website: www.hearingloss.com
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Help Me Grow—Van Wert County</b> Sue at: 419-238-6200 1st & 3rd Monday of the month (March 2 & 16—April 6 & 20) Help Me Grow Office, 1119 Westwood Drive	<b>Time:</b> 6:00 PM	<b>Comments:</b> 1st Monday is Parent Night 6–7:30 P 3rd Monday is Play Group 6-7:00 PM
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Home School Support Group</b> Liz Lavecchi at 691-2636 for times and dates Oregon Branch Library		<b>Comments: New Group</b>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Help Me Grow Parent Meetings-Wood County</b> 419-352-8402 Thursdays, (please call for dates) The Jordan Center — <b>Please RSVP</b>	<b>Time:</b> 6-8:00 PM	<b>Comments:</b>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>H.O.P.E. (Helping Other Parents Experience Grief)</b> Sonya at: 419-335-2015, Ext. 2385 3rd Monday of the month (March 16 & April 20) Fulton County Health Ctr, 725 S. Shoop Ave., Wauseon, OH 43567	<b>Time:</b> 7:30 PM	<b>Comments:</b> This group is open to all who have lost a child from miscarriage to young adult children. Come be with others who understand.
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Moments for Moms—Van Wert County</b> Sue at 419-238-6200 1st Thursday of the month (March 5 & April 2) 3rd Wednesday of the month (March 18 & April 15)	<b>Time:</b> 6-7:30 PM and <b>Time:</b> 9:30—11 AM	<b>Comments:</b>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>NAMI/CAN Support Group</b> Samantha Nance at: 419-243-1119 Every Monday (March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30—April 6, 13, 20 & 27) 2753 West Central, Toledo, OH 43606	<b>Time:</b> 7:—8:30 PM	<b>Comments:</b> For Parents & Grandparents of Children with mental illness/brain disorders. Call NAMI (419-243-1119) for their other groups See Page 7 for Hand to Hand Course
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b>	<b>Parent Advocacy Support Group—Ottawa County</b> Tori Heilman at 419-734-0330 for new dates and times		<b>Comments:</b>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Time/Date:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Ohio Federation of Mothers of Twins Club</b> Lucy Lieske for more information—419-898-5155 1st Tuesday of the month (March 3 & April 7) Riverview Nursing Home, Route 163, Oak Harbor		<b>Comments: <u>NEW GROUP</u></b> <b>portclintonmote@yahoo.com</b> <b>Website: www.ofmotc.org</b>
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>Parenting Today's Kids-Nurturing Parenting Program</b> Mary Lindquist at 419-243-7255 for registration (registration required) Wednesdays (March 4, 11, 18, 25 & April 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29) Catholic Club—1601 Jefferson Avenue	<b>Time:</b> 12:30—2:30 PM	<b>Comments:</b> Meets requirements for CSB and court-ordered parent education. Services are free—Targeted for parents of children ages 5-12, but parents of other ages are welcome.
<b>Group:</b> <b>Contact:</b> <b>Date/Time:</b> <b>Location:</b>	<b>People First of Toledo</b> Arc of Lucas Co. Kay Bennett at: 419-882-0941 3rd Thursday of the month (March 19 & April 16) The Ability Center	<b>Time:</b> 6:30 – 8:30 PM	<b>Comments:</b> Check us out on the web: www.arclucas.org

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<p><b>Group:</b></p> <p><b>Contact:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Free</b></p> <p><b>Free</b></p> <p><b>Free</b></p> <p><b>Location:</b></p>	<p><b>Playgroup—Parenting Center Program, East Toledo Family Center</b>              Jackie at: 419-691-4609, ext. 226</p> <p>Mondays (March 9, 16, 23, 30 &amp; April 13, 20, 27) <b>Time:</b> 4—6:00 PM</p> <p>Tuesdays (March 10, 17, 24, 31 &amp; April 14, 21, 28) <b>Time:</b> 10 AM—12 PM</p> <p>Wednesdays (March 4, 11, 18, 25 &amp; April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29) <b>Time:</b> 2—4 PM</p> <p>Thursdays (March 5, 12, 19, 26 &amp; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30) <b>Time:</b> 4—6 PM</p> <p>Caring Classes for 3/5 yr olds- Mondays—4—5:30 PM</p> <p>“ “ for Toddlers— Wednesdays—4:30—6 PM</p> <p>“ “ for Babies— Thursdays—6:30—8 PM</p> <p>Heffner School, 255 Heffner Street</p>	<p><b>Comments: <u>For Children Birth to 5 years.</u></b>  <b>No playgroup on Mon, Tues, of the First full week of every month!</b> There are no Playgroups on Fridays. Transportation is available if needed. Free Baby Care and Toddler Care classes. Call 419-691-4609, Ext. 226. <b>We have an excellent play-group just for you! Everyone is welcome. Please join us in fun filled activities.</b></p>
<p><b>Group:</b></p> <p><b>Contact:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Location:</b></p>	<p><b>Remember Me Support Group</b>              Cheryl or Kathy at 419-696-7830</p> <p>4th Tuesday of the month (March 24 &amp; April 28) <b>Time:</b> 7:30 PM</p> <p>St. Charles, Navarre Med Bldg., Mercy Woman’s Care Room</p>	<p><b>Comments:</b>  <b>For parents who’ve experienced miscarriage or neonatal death.</b></p>
<p><b>Group:</b></p> <p><b>Contact:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Location:</b></p>	<p><b>Spinal Cord Injury Group</b>              Deb Ostrander at: 419-872-5347</p> <p>3rd Monday of the month (March 16 &amp; April 20) <b>Time:</b> 7:00 PM</p> <p>MUO Coughlin Rehab Center Dowling Hall 2nd floor</p>	<p><b>Comments:</b></p>
<p><b>Date/Contact:</b></p> <p><b>Location:</b></p>	<p><b>Tourette Syndrome Support Group</b>              Andrea McNutt at 419-215-0342</p> <p>Last Wednesday of the month (March 25 &amp; April 29) <b>Time:</b> 7:00 PM</p> <p>Holland Library</p>	<p><b>Comments:</b>              For all families affected by Tourettes. Check us out at <a href="http://www.geocities.com/toledotourettes">www.geocities.com/toledotourettes</a></p>
<p><b>Group:</b></p> <p><b>Contact:</b></p> <p><b>Date/Time:</b></p> <p><b>Location:</b></p>	<p><b>Your House or Mine!</b>              Diane at 419-254-4645</p> <p>Tuesday, April 28 <b>Time:</b> 6:30 PM</p> <p>Home of Lyn &amp; Bill Doll              6536 Carrietowne Court, Toledo, 43615.</p>	<p><b>Comments:</b> This is a support group for parents who are thinking about placement or whose child is in a group home, supported living, or other living arrangements outside their own home.  <b>TOPIC: COMMUNITY (RECREATION) INCLUSION</b></p>

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Group: Location: Contact:	<u>Mayores Kinship Club</u> (March 5 & April 2) Mayores Senior Center, Two Aurora Gonzalez Drive For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 11:30 AM-1 PM <b>March: “Unraveling Those Knotty Kinship Legal Issues” by Attorney Fanny Effler</b>
Group: Location: Contact:	<u>North Kinship Club</u> (March 11 & April 8) Zablocki Senior Center, 3015 Lagrange Street For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 5:30—7 PM <b>March: “Coping with <i>Pull-Your-Hair-Out</i> Behaviors” by Jackie Clay, Rescue Crisis</b>
Group: Location: Contact:	<u>East Toledo Kinship Club</u> (March 19 & April 16) 1103 Ravine Parkway (Garfield School) For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 9:30—10:30 AM <b>No Topics or Presenters for March or April.</b>
Group: Location: Contact:	<u>West Kinship Club</u> (March 20) Sylvania Senior Center, 7140 Sylvania Ave. For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 12—1:30 PM <b>March: “Let’s Talk” April Cancelled due to Spring Break</b>
Group: Location: Contact:	<u>South Kinship Club</u> (March 25 & April 22) Hunt Senior Center, 2121 Garden Lake Parkway For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 5:30—7:00 PM <b>No Topics or Presenters for March or April.</b>
Group: Location: Contact:	<u>Open Dorr Kinship Club</u> (March 26 & April 23) Dorr Elementary School, 1205 King Road For information or to attend, call 419-382-7060	Time: 5:30—7:00 PM <b>March: “Homework: A Survival Guide for Caregivers” by Terry Zarnick</b>

**THE ROAD AHEAD**

**This Series is a group of individual sessions for family members whose children are leaving educational services, and entering the adult service arena. The adult service arena can include the Lucas County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation and numerous others.**

The Steering Wheel	”SELF DETERMINATION”	April 23, 2009
Driver’s Manual	”WHEN ENTITLEMENT ENDS”	March 5 & April 30, 2009
Make & Model	”QUALITY OF LIFE”	March 12 & May 7, 2009
Tires	”EMPLOYABILITY”	March 19 & May 14, 2009
Fuel Tank	”SOCIALIZATION”	March 26 & May 21, 2009
The Garage	”HOME SWEET HOME—LIVING OPTIONS”	April 2, & May 28, 2009

Held at the Epilepsy Center - 5405 Southwyck Blvd.- Suite 100 - Toledo, OH 43614

6:30 - 8:30 PM for each of the sessions

RSVP: Lyn Doll—419-380-5435 or ldoll@lucasmrdd.com

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**FOR THE 9th ANNUAL OHIO ADULT SIBLING CONFERENCE**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6-7th, 2009**

**Who: Adult siblings with a developmental disability and all other interested parties.**

**Where: Columbus Marriot Airport Hotel**

**How: Register online at [222.ohiosibs.com](http://222.ohiosibs.com) or contact Dr. Tom Fisher at [fish.1@osu.edu](mailto:fish.1@osu.edu) or 614-292-7550.**

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## WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES & MORE

DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LOCATION	INFORMATION
Tuesday, March 3  And Tuesday, March 31	7—8:30 PM  7—8:30 PM	“The Vision and Learning Link”  “Trouble at School” You are invited to attend this workshop for parents, teachers and professionals who work with troubled children.	The Vision Improvement Program 3454 Oak Alley Court #200 Toledo, OH 43606 For both programs.	Contact: Margie Hunter at 419-578-0057  You are invited to attend a special workshop for parents, educators and professionals. How to identify children whose vision restricts learning and how the way children “see” the world affects their behavior.
March 11 and March 12	6:30—9 PM  9:30 AM—Noon	Practical Solutions to everyday challenges in Autism: Understanding Your Rights: Whose IDEA is This?	Toledo Hospital Education Center Auditorium	\$10 Per session per parent. \$15 Per session per professionals Contact Linell at 419-578-2766
March 25 and March 26	6:30—9 PM  9:30 AM-Noon	7 Evidence-Based Strategies for an Effective Early Intervention	Toledo Hospital Croxton-Memorial Auditorium  Lucas County Bd of MR/DD	\$10 Per session per parent. \$15 Per session per professionals  \$10 Per session per parent. \$15 Per session per professionals
April 1 and April 2	6:30—9 PM  9:30 AM-Noon	A Land We Can Share: Access to the Literate Community for All	Toledo Hospital Education Center Auditorium	\$10 Per session per parent. \$15 Per session per professionals
March 24 This is a 3 part series. The next part is April 28 (see below for this information) And May 7—this will be in the next issue of FIN (May/June 2009)	9 AM—3 PM	“FASD: It’s About the Brain” For more information call 419-478-3060	Double ARC Corner of Secor Road and Monroe Street Toledo, OH	This 3 part workshop is geared toward professionals.  This workshop introduces participants to FASD with emphasis on the effect of prenatal alcohol exposure on the developing brain resulting in cognitive and behavioral difficulties. Participants will learn general strategies to support persons with FASD. Fee \$89. 5.0 contact hours.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, April 14—16, 2009	If you are a person with a disability, a friend or family member, an advocate, etc. make plans to attend this conference.	The Disability Network of Ohio is pleased to announce the 10th Anniversary of SOLIDARITY	Hyatt Regency Hotel and Convention Center 350 N. High Street Columbus, OH	Registration materials will be available by mail and at <a href="http://www.dnos.org">www.dnos.org</a> or <a href="http://ada.osu.edu/conferences/">http://ada.osu.edu/conferences/</a>  Scholarships will be available to eligible participants as described in the registration materials.

**A Hand-to-Hand 9 Week Course - A Special Education Course for Families. Understanding Your Child’s Behavioral/Emotional Difficulties.**

Classes will be held at the Kobacker Center on the MUO campus from 6:30—8:30 PM. Childcare provided. Children must be registered in advance. Sponsored by NAMI. Contact our office at 419-243-1119 for registration. *There is no charge for families. Materials and parking are free.*

March 2 - Understanding the Diagnostic Process: What is a diagnosis and what does this mean?

March 9 - Understanding Your Child’s Diagnosis. What is wrong with my child? Mental/emotional/behavioral?

March 16 - Medications and How They Work—Understanding Treatment & Medications.

March 23 - Developing Family Coping Skills

March 30 - Counseling and Therapy—Understanding the Varying Roles of Service Providers

April 6 - Where to go When you REALLY Need Help. Introduction of private and community mental health services. Who are they? What can they do?

April 13 - Understanding the Education Needs for Children in Crisis. Do’s and Don’ts of a meaningful, measurable IEP document.

April 20 - Community Mandates—Juvenile Justice. How to’s of working with juvenile justice and law enforcement (police).

April 27 - The Power of Family Advocacy. Family preservation—what’s right? What’s not? Transitioning into adulthood.

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A PARENT-TO-PARENT NETWORK THAT OFFERS SUPPORT AND  
INFORMATION TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL  
FIN (419-254-4645)**

**The United Way *Family Information Network of NW Ohio (FIN)* es una conexión  
que ofrece grupos de apoyo e información a padres de hijos con incapacidad.**

**Para familias que hablan español contacte United Way 2-1-1, pregunte  
por Ricardo o Maricela. Uno de ellos les conectara gustosos con sus amigos**

**FIN y así podrán identificar que recursos  
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