



THE CRUSADE

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SPORTS NEWS



ROSS COUNTY TRAILBLAZER FOOTBALL

In October, the Fall Special Olympics will be held in Geneva, Ohio. The competition will be held at the Spire Institute on October 18, 19, and 20. Good luck to everyone involved!

Congrats to the Trailblazers flag football team for completing the regular season last week. Congratulations and thanks to their coaches for their commitment and dedication.


IN THE NEWS...

There's an accessible park nearby! Camp Cattail is located on Cattail Road, off Biers Run Road near County Road 550. It's open to the public but is specifically geared towards the DD community. There's 2.2 miles of paved paths and meadow areas.

Employment News...A five-year federal grant has been awarded to Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD). Works4Me will help 1,450 people with disabilities move out of subminimum wage employment and into competitive integrated jobs. Attached is an informational fact sheet about Works4Me. Good luck to all who are in search of a new career!

OCTOBER PIONEER CALENDAR

OCTOBER EVENTS



OCT. 1	Sing & Stomp Main Library Annex Weekly - 10:30 AM & 11 AM
OCT. 10	Coffee with the Crusaders Virtual - Zoom 9:30 AM
OCT. 15	Employer Appreciation Creekside Occasions 10 AM - RSVP to ldereyson@rossdd.org
OCT. 17	Parent Support Group Pioneer Admin - 167 W. Main 6 PM
OCT. 17	Lunch with Friends Olive Garden 11 AM
OCT. 24	Crusaders Advocacy Meeting Pioneer Admin - 167 W. Main 11:30 AM

POSITIVE QUOTE FOR OCTOBER

"Aerodynamically the bumblebee shouldn't be able to fly.
But the bumblebee doesn't know that,
so it goes on flying anyway."
- Mary Kay Ash

CAPITAL CITY CRUSADERS OCTOBER 2024



Works4Me

Explore the possibilities of **competitive integrated employment**.
By offering new and usual OOD services, Works4Me will be with you any time you need support.

- Get comfortable **meeting new people**

1 Explore career options

- Discover **your interests**
- Try out **short-term** internships
- Talk to **peer mentors** about their experience working in the community
- Connect with **family mentors** who can guide you

2 Apply and interview

- Get help filling out applications
- Get support for job interviews
- Explore **assistive tools** or **technology** to help you succeed

3 Get ready to work in a new place

- **Gain money skills** so you can set goals and pay for your needs
- Learn to **use the internet and social media safely** to help your job search
- Practice being responsible and professional

4 Succeed in your new job

- Learn new tasks with a **job coach**
- Ask for help with accommodations and **advocate for yourself**
- **Work through challenges** you have at your job
- Draw on **family and coworker support** so you become more independent



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