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UPCOMING



Integrating Mobile Technology in the Home and Classroom

The [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#), [Autism Society of Indiana](#), [Easter Seals Crossroads](#), [Riley Child Development Center](#), and [The Arc of Indiana](#) will host a Parent Informational Meeting on integrating mobile technology on December 3, 2013, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Easter Seals Crossroads, 4740 Kingsway Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46205.

[Wynsum Arts®](#) Founder and CEO [Gailynn Gluth](#), will share strategies and applications to support children both in the home and in the classroom. Wynsum Arts® is a social-entrepreneurship organization founded in 2009 to help parents of children with special needs and learning challenges find the most relevant, effective, and affordable mobile technology and online solutions available to help their children become independent learners. Gailynn researches and develops tools for education and social sciences for children and adults, from kindergarten through age 24.

Participants will learn strategies for using a mobile device to improve organization and to increase effective home-school communication, academics, learning, and communication. Participants will also learn more about the I.Am app, created to reduce the amount of time spent searching through thousands of apps for ones recommended. The apps chosen are based on student-specific data and recommendations from a team of app researchers.

Space is limited to 100 participants. No registration needed and there is no registration fee. For more information, contact Kristie Lofland, at klofland@indiana.edu or Kristi A. Jordan

ACROSS THE COURTYARD



2013 Coros ADA Community Grants Program

[ADA-Indiana](#), with support from the [Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities](#), was able to support five organizations through the 2013 Coros ADA Community Grants program. The purpose of the grants program is to promote "Livable Communities" concepts, and increase implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act in Indiana communities. The ADA-Indiana steering committee allocated more than \$7,000 to five participating organizations. The awardees included two municipalities, one transportation entity, one center for independent living, and one community rehabilitation provider.

Funded Organizations include:

[City of Indianapolis Homeland Security](#) - Training Workshop for Service Providers: Planning for a Disaster

[Fort Wayne Citilink](#) - Bus Stop Accessibility Review Training for Community Volunteers

[Bona Vistas Programs](#) - Business Leadership Network (Employer Education Workshops on the Americans with Disabilities Act)

[WILL Center](#) (for Independent Living) - Employer Engagement and Education in the Wabash Valley

[City of Monticello](#) - Advancing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

[Click](#) for more information about the Coros ADA Community Grants program. ADA-Indiana will be releasing the Request for Proposals for the 2014 ADA Grants program at the Dream to Dare: Game-changing Communities Conference hosted by the Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities on December 3rd and 4th.

RESEARCH STUDY



Older Adults Needed for Studies on Cognition and Aging

The laboratory of Anne Krendl, Ph.D., at Indiana University is seeking participants from the greater Bloomington area, who are 60 - 90 years old and in good health, to participate in a study lasting up to 3 hours that involves performing various cognitive tasks (e.g., simple computer tasks, responding to questions).

During this study, you may be asked to evaluate emotional pictures (e.g., a barking dog, an angry individual). None of these images are worse than what you may see on the evening news. The study examines how aging affects cognition insofar as how we make decisions in everyday life and form impressions of people around us.

Interested participants will complete a short screening over the phone or email to ensure eligibility. The study will take place on IU's Bloomington campus. Eligible participants will be compensated for their time, and parking will be provided. If interested please call Eunice Lee at (812) 856-8007, or by e-mail at nimble@indiana.edu for more information.

KUDOS

Herron Receives Mayor's Award

Katie Herron, Research Associate with the Institute's [Early Childhood Center](#), was the recipient of the Mayor's Award for her work as Chairperson of the City of Bloomington's [Council for Community Accessibility](#) (CCA).



[Herron](#) was recognized at the CCA's annual awards ceremony held last week at the [Bell Trace Senior Center](#) in Bloomington. Bloomington [Mayor Mark Kruzan](#) congratulated all the nominees and award recipients and thanked them for their contributions. "I am pleased to present the Mayor's Award to Katie Herron," Kruzan said. "As Chairperson of the Council for Community Accessibility, Katie has inspired those around her to be more effective in making Bloomington a more accessible community for people with disabilities. In her role as mother, citizen and chair, she serves as public speaker, advocate, educator and behind-the-scenes mediator, doing it all with warmth and humor. No one is more deserving of the Mayor's Award than Katie Herron."

The CCA is a volunteer group that advocates for the interests of people with disabilities. Formerly known as the Community Council on Handicap Concerns, the group was formed in 1990. The CCA promotes awareness of the challenges faced by people with disabilities, and works to develop solutions to problems of accessibility in the Bloomington community.

IN BLOOMINGTON



Vision Awareness Seminars

Mierzwik, D. (2013). The [Down Syndrome Family Connection](#) and the [Indiana University School of Optometry](#) will present vision awareness seminars for parents and professionals focusing on children's vision awareness and what you need to know and vision awareness for hard to fit patients.

These seminars will be held on Friday, November 8 at the Indiana University School of Optometry, Room 105. Professional Seminar time is 3:00-5:00 p.m. Parent seminar times are 6:00-8:00 p.m. Parking at the nearby Atwater garage will be validated. Childcare provided for parent session (you must RSVP). For more information, call (812) 720-9603 or e-mail Cyndi@downsyndromefamilyconnection.org.

CEDIR CITINGS NEWSLETTER



CeDIR Citings Newsletter

The fall edition of the Institute's Center for Disability Information and Referral's Newsletter, CeDIR Citings, is now available [online](#). The focus of the fall issue is ADHD. [Click](#) if you would like to subscribe.

LIBRARY CORNER



New Library Collection Items

Koster, G., & Cocca-Leffler, M. (2006). *The peanut-free cafe*. Morton Grove, IL: A. Whitman.

Krouk-Gordon, D., & Jackins, B. D. (2013). *Moving out: A family guide to residential planning for adults with disabilities*. Bethesda, MD: Woodbine House.

Myers, H. N. F. (2013). *Social skills deficits in students with disabilities: Successful strategies from the disability field*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc.

These new materials may be borrowed from the [Center for Disability Information and Referral](#) (CeDIR) at the Institute. To check out materials, please call the library at 800-437-7924, send us an e-mail at cedir@indiana.edu, or come by and visit us at 1905 North Range Road in Bloomington.

