



# Activity & Program Guide

## June 2021

### Face to Face & Virtual

SOAR Fox Cities, Inc. ~ 211 E. Franklin Street ~ Appleton, WI 54911



Let's All Celebrate Camp!!! Onaway is BACK in 2021!  
In celebration let's take a walk down memory lane  
and see some pics from past camps!

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**[Temporary]** Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00am-3:00pm (Closed on Fridays)\*

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# Policies

To be considered as a participant of SOAR Fox Cities, Inc.'s programs and/or services, the following forms will need to be filled out, updated and kept in the participant's file:

- Participant Information Form
- Acknowledgement Form from the Participant/Guardian Handbook

Note: ***The Participant Information Form needs to be updated annually.*** Throughout the course of the year changes may occur with conditions, behaviors, etc. and it is very important that SOAR Fox Cities, Inc. staff is aware of all of these changes. It is a safety precaution for all involved including the participant, staff and volunteers. Please call the office (920-731-9831) with any changes.

**Parking** When parking at our building during business hours, please use the parking stalls designated for 211 E. Franklin Visitors. If you park in other companies' stalls you risk being towed.

**Inclement Weather Policy** Out of concern for safety, bad weather occasionally forces the closing of a SOAR Fox Cities, Inc. program or service. If it becomes necessary to close SOAR Fox Cities, Inc. for any reason, SOAR FC staff will attempt to notify all participants who are signed up for the program or service of the closure. The program or service may be re-scheduled. Please watch local news channels (WBAY, WFRV, WLUK), check our website and Facebook pages for real time updates on cancellations. Most day-of cancellations will be made by 2:00pm the day of the activity. After office hours, please call 920-931-2530 for Adult Programs information.

**Payment Policy** We will NOT be able to collect payments at activities. Do not give staff your payment—we need to collect it at the office, via mail, or via our website, PRIOR to all activities. If you visit our office before/after hours, please deposit your labeled payments in the mail slot. We encourage your use of envelopes. The use of SOARcash is encouraged for those needing minor financial assistance, when it is available (based on allowed funding). Call for a SOARcash application. For any questions regarding bills/invoices, please ask for extension 100. If you are registering for an activity and tickets need to be picked up, feel free to send a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your payment, or pay an extra \$1.00 to have the tickets mailed to you, or stop by our office. Watch our online calendar for advance planning of activities to fit your budget, and meet registration deadlines.

**Cancellation Policy** If you are unable to attend an event, you must cancel at least 5 days in advance. If you do not cancel in advance you will be liable for the program fees.

**Notice** SOAR Fox Cities, Inc. and its Programs are not responsible for accidents or injuries that may occur to participants or attendees during activities. SOAR Fox Cities, Inc., its employees and volunteers are not liable for any and all claims demands, losses, damages, actions, rights of action of whatever kind or nature arising out of, in consequence of, or on account of any injuries or incidents which may occur due to participation in a SOAR activity.

# Volunteering

Did you know that the volunteer opportunities with SOAR are almost endless!? Aside from volunteering at programs, we LOVE it when members help out at special events. Occasionally we also have special office projects, like folding and stuffing mailings, that we need help with! If you want to learn about these and more opportunities, please call Ashley Gustafson, Volunteer Coordinator, at 920-731-9831, x114. ***Some current needs are: special event committee members, assistant Coach for Special Olympics***



*Volunteer with SOAR today!*







## SOAR Fox Cities Board of Directors

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Hello Friends of SOAR!

Can you believe that it's the June newsletter already?! Gosh, this year is flying by!!

There have definitely been some changes since the last newsletter - For starters we've been able to increase the capacities of programs! It has been AWESOME to see so many of your smiling faces again! We have also started bringing back some of the programs & activities we haven't been able to have face-to-face in over a year like Coffee Connections & soon (very soon) dances & other our trips! Please watch future newsletters for additional information!

Please just remember - If you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 please stay home! If you have tested positive for COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive please stay home! We will continue to follow social distancing guidelines & masks will be required at indoor activities.

We have so many great changes happening, but there are also some sad ones. Many of you have come to know and love Zach at the front desk. You often reached out to him for registration questions or just called to have a quick friendly chat. Sadly, Zach has been offered an amazing opportunity somewhere else and will be leaving the SOAR Family. Zach's last day with us will be Monday, May 24th.

I'm sure you're wondering, "Who will I call and chat with?!" A new friend, Leah, will be starting in Zach's role on Monday, May 17th! Please welcome Leah to the team!! Leah is very excited to meet all of you, but please give her a few days to get her feet underneath her, she's got a lot to learn! While Leah is training Lisa V. will help answer phones, Lisa M. will be processing registrations & Jolene will be following up on payments from you and/or your MCO's. Please direct related questions to each individual, but also feel free to reach out me!

As always, we'll keep updating you and communicating with you to the best of our ability! There is light at the end of this tunnel and we're excited to see all of you once again!!!

Thanks everyone & please continue to stay safe & healthy!

~ Erin Schultz, Executive Director

## SOAR Fox Cities Staff can be reached at 920.731.9831

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Jolene Verstegen, Financial Administrator, x115

Julie Biesterveld, TBI Support Program Coord., x113

LeeAnn Stein, Director of Adult Programs, x112

Lindsay Wollerman, Fundraising & Grant Manager, x111

Lisa McCallister, Youth Services Manager, x110

Lisa Volkman, Special Olympics Coordinator, x109

Paula Maurer, Adult Program Coordinator, x124 or  
920.931.2530 (after 5pm)

Clare Buckley, TBI Support Program Navigator, x118

VACANT, Family Programs & Community Resource Coordinator, x122

Zach Wroblewski, Accounting Clerk, x100

## Registering for all activities is required!

1. Select the activities that fit your schedule.
2. **Be sure to register 7 days (one week) before an activity that you want to attend, unless a specific registration date is noted in the description of the activity.**
3. Complete the enclosed registration form and return it to our SOAR office with payment. You can pay online at [www.soarfoxcities.com](http://www.soarfoxcities.com), send a check, or stop at our office. Payment must be made prior to an activity.
4. Note that dances require tickets for admission. Staff/caregivers attending need to get a complimentary ticket at the SOAR office.

# Calendar-at-a-glance

## Program Type KEY

Youth Programs Y  
 Adult Programs A  
 Advocacy Programs ADV  
 Family Programs F  
 Community Ed CE  
 Adult Ed Programs AE



June						
Su	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

June	Program Choice	Time	Page	Cost member/ non-member	IRIS Code	Staffed by:	Type KEY
2	Coffee Connections	10:30am-11:30am	6	FREE	-	Erin	F
2	Virtual Games	3:00pm-4:00pm	6	FREE	-	LeeAnn	A
7	Games	5:30pm-7:00pm	6	\$10/\$20	F	Paula	A
8-12	SOAR CAMP ONAWAY	The fun = ALL DAY	-	Ask LeeAnn	-	Lisa M./ LeeAnn	Camp
9	Brain Injury Support Group (VIRTUAL)	5:30pm-6:30pm	5	FREE	-	Julie/Clare	ADV
9	Dinner & Bingo	5:30pm-8:30pm	6	\$25/\$50	F	Paula	A
15	TnT - VIRTUAL	6:30pm-7:30pm	5	FREE	-	Lisa M.	Y
16	Outside Games	5:30pm-7:00pm	6	\$10/\$20	F	Paula	A
17	Craft	5:30pm-7:00pm	7	\$15/\$30	F	Paula	A
21	Mini Golf	5:30pm-7:00pm	7	\$15/\$30	C	Paula	A
23	Dinner & Craft	5:30pm-8:30pm	7	\$25/\$50	F	Paula	A
28	Virtual Games	4:00pm-5:00pm	7	FREE	-	LeeAnn	A
28	Brain Injury Support Group (In-Person)	6:00pm-7:30pm	5	FREE	-	Julie/Clare	ADV
29	Daytime Crafts	2:00pm-3:30pm	7	\$10/\$20	F	LeeAnn	AE
29	Dinner & Movie	5:30pm-9:00pm	7	\$30/\$60	C	Paula	A
30	Baking	10:00am-Noon	7	\$10/\$20	F	LeeAnn	AE
30	TnT - In Person	6:30pm-8:00pm	5	FREE	-	Lisa M.	Y

We know the calendar looks a bit slim for June, but it's CAMP ONAWAY month!! That's a WHOLE week of fun, sun & friends on Onaway Island in Waupaca.

If you're just hearing about Onaway now, reach out to LeeAnn at [leeann@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:leeann@soarfoxcities.com) to learn more & see if your camp spot is still available!!!

### REMEMBER!

Special Olympics SOFTBALL is EVERY Friday  
 through July 16th from 5:15-6:30pm  
 See the last page of the newsletter for MORE info!

### REMEMBER!

Special Olympics BOCCE is EVERY Tuesday  
 through July 27th from 5:15-6:30pm  
 See the last page of the newsletter for MORE info!

Make sure you tune into Facebook this month to check out the SOAR staff in Facebook Live events!!! Join us on the following dates at 10:00am to see what your friends at SOAR are up to:

June 1st ~ June 8th ~ June 10th ~ June 15th ~ June 17th ~ June 22nd ~ June 24th ~ June 29th

# SOAR Fox Cities - where YOUTH fit in!

**Kidz Klub**—Kidz Klub is a collaborative after-school program between SOAR Fox Cities and area school districts which targets children in Elementary Schools. Kidz Klub is a peer-to-peer social group for youth with and without disabilities held at a school within the participating school district.

**Teen Stop**—Teen Stop has the same collaboration as described above for Kids Klub, but focuses on Middle School aged children. Neenah School district is currently using this after-school program for middle school. Great games and activities are planned by middle school peers. Held during the school year only.

**TnT**—Youth ages 13-23 from any Fox Cities school district can come and meet new people, try fun group games, trivia questions and laughs. This positive interaction between peers allows them to gain exposure to each other, which leads to understanding and results in acceptance for each person involved. All teen participants take part in large and small group activities such as singing, sharing and games, engage in cooperative learning experiences and have opportunities for leadership development. Held 6:30-8:00pm at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 724 E South River St., Appleton. There is no cost for this program.

**Special Olympics**—Did you know Special Olympics begins at age 8?? Please see the Special Olympics section in this newsletter for sports offered by SOAR Fox Cities, and become part of the 3rd largest Special Olympics agency in the state of Wisconsin!! SOAR Fox Cities offers 7 sports throughout the year.

**People First**—SOAR encourages and trains individuals, including youth, to speak up and advocate for themselves. There is a meeting once a month. **See details below!**



## Quick Reference

Youth Services Manager: Lisa McCallister, 920-731-9831 x110, [lisa@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:lisa@soarfoxcities.com)

***If you are a TEEN or a young adult (thru age 23), join TnT!***

- **TnT - Virtual - Tuesday, June 15th ~ 6:30pm - 7:30pm**

We will see you online for some games and connecting once summer has started!

- **TnT - In Person - Wednesday, June 30th ~ 6:30pm - 8:00pm**

We will be meeting in the SOAR Parking Lot. Please enter through the Pfefferle Lot and drop off.

**Register by June 25th**



## People First Fox Cities

People First is a group that encourages and trains individuals to speak up and advocate for themselves. There is NEVER a cost to attend & learn how to become a better self-advocate! Everyone is welcome!

### **There is NO June People First meeting**

We'll be back in July! Come see us then!

To learn more about People First & how to join, be sure to reach out to

LeeAnn Stein, Director of Adult Services, at 920-731-9831 x112 or [leeann@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:leeann@soarfoxcities.com)

## Brain Injury Support Group

This support group is open to survivors who have had a brain injury as well as family members & caregivers of those that have survived a traumatic brain injury.

The group meets at various times.

- **Wed., June 9th** 5:30pm via ZOOM
- **Mon., June 28th** 6:00pm-7:30pm - Location is TBD, but Julie will announce!

Face to face groups & attendance will continue to be limited for safety. Those wishing to attend MUST email Julie at [Julie@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:Julie@soarfoxcities.com) to get location information and reserve a spot.

**Coffee Connections! Wed., June 2nd****10:30-11:30am via ZOOM**

This is a support group for parents, guardians and caregivers looking to explore current trends and topics of interest.

Big News!!! We're going to meet in-person for the first time in A LONG time!!! It's been a long time since we've seen each other that we want to take this opportunity to catch up & chat. There will be bottled water and snacks available (stuff that is easy to carry to the park).

We'll plan to meet at City Park at 10:30am. City Park's address is 500 E. Franklin Street, Appleton and is two blocks from the SOAR building & parking lot. Let's plan to meet under the pavilion. The closest parking to the pavilion is North Street, but you can also park along Union Street or Franklin Street. A map of the park will be sent with the monthly reminder & we'll share more information about parking!

We look forward to seeing you in June!

Watch for an email link for the meeting. If you are not in the Coffee Connections contact group, contact Erin at [erin@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:erin@soarfoxcities.com) for meeting information.

**Quick Reference**

Director of Adult Programs: LeeAnn Stein, 920-731-9831 x114, [leeann@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:leeann@soarfoxcities.com)

**Virtual Games**

3:00pm - 4:00pm via ZOOM

Fee: FREE!

- **Wed., June 2nd** Join us to play (drumroll please...) BOGGLE!! **Register by May 26th**

**Games with Paula**

5:30pm-7:00pm hosted at the SOAR Fox Cities Building, Lower Level Activity Room

Fee: \$10 or \$20 for non-members

- **Mon., June 7th** Join friends for a fun evening of games & laughter! **Register by June 3rd**

**Dinner & Bingo**

5:30pm-8:30pm hosted at the SOAR Fox Cities Building, Lower Level Activity Room

Fee: \$25 or \$50 non-members

- **Wed., June 9th** We will have chicken, mashed potatoes, veggies & a dessert. Then we'll play bingo! **Register by June 3rd**

**Outside Games with Paula**

5:30pm-7:00pm at City Park - SEE BELOW FOR DROP OFF/PICKUP INSTRUCTIONS

Fee: \$10/\$20

- **Wed., June 16th** Drop off & pickup **at the SOAR building**. We will walk to City Park to play games outside. If weather doesn't cooperate, we'll play games inside at the SOAR building in the lower level activity room. **Register by June 10th**

**Evening Crafts**

Hosted at the SOAR Fox Cities Building in the Lower Level Activity Room

5:30pm-7:00pm

Fee: \$15 or \$30 for non-members

- **Thurs., June 17th** We will make a Father's Day Craft.

**Register by June 10th**

**Mini-Golf**

5:30pm-7:00pm hosted at Badger Sports Park, 3600 E. Evergreen Dr., Appleton

Fee: \$15 or \$30 for non-members

- **Mon., June 21st** Drop off & pick up at Badger Sports Park where we'll play a fun round of mini-golf!

**Register by June 16th**

**Dinner & Craft**

5:30pm-8:30pm hosted at the SOAR Fox Cities Building, Lower Level Activity Room

Fee: \$25 or \$50 for non-members

- **Wed., June 23rd** We will have spaghetti, veggies, and a dessert; then we will do a variety of crafts!

**Register by June 16th**

**Virtual Games**

4:00pm-5:00pm via ZOOM

Fee: FREE

- **Mon., June 28th** Can you help us escape from a virtual escape room?!

**Register by June 21st**

**Daytime Craft with LeeAnn**

2:00pm-3:30pm at the SOAR building in the Lower Level Activity Room

Fee: \$10 or \$20 for non-member

- **Tues., June 29th** We'll be painting on canvas bags

**Register by June 22nd**

**Dinner & Movie**

5:30pm-9:00pm at Valley Grand Cinema

Fee: \$30 and \$60 for non-members

- **Tues., June 29th** Drop off & pick up at Valley Grand Cinema. We will have dinner in the theater while watching a movie. Please DO NOT arrive early because we can't enter the theater until staff let us. All cleaning, sanitizing & social distancing precautions will continue to be followed.

**Register by June 23rd**

**Baking Class - Sweets**

Hosted at the SOAR Building and Zoom

Fee: \$10 or \$20 for non-members

- **Wed., June 30th** We'll be making a patriotic jelly roll cake! Join in-person or via zoom!

**Register by June 15th**

Those joining us virtually will get a baking kit with all the ingredients and recipe.

**Did You Know!?**

SOAR is still selling Kwik Trip Cards! For every card purchased directly from SOAR a percentage of the purchase is donated back to SOAR! How cool?!  
Interested in learning more? Call us at 920-731-9831 to purchase yours today!



# Special Olympics Updates

Special Olympics is dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports training and competition. The sports we offer give our athletes a safe and fun environment to grow their self-confidence, keep a steady social life and practice healthy living by being active. We have opportunities for coaching, please contact Lisa V. for info!

SPECIAL OLYMPICS (SO)



## SOFTBALL!

Practices are on Fridays starting May 14th thru July 16th ~ 5:15-6:30pm (see insert for location)

Coach David and friends will teach game basics, work on skills and develop game strategies!

Scrimmages, tournaments and state games are all TBD for dates and times.

You will not want to miss out! Registration flyers attached! Please know you can register into the season - Registration doesn't end until June 1st!

## BOCCE!

Tuesdays with Gloria—under the big Oak tree at St. Pius!

(more details included in the insert!)

Every Tuesday starting May 18th thru July 27th ~ 5:15-6:30pm

Competitions, District and State TBD

Registration open until June 1st! (yup, it's ok to register a little late)

## Is your medical information with SOWI up to date??

If your medical exam is near expiration or you're not sure, please email Lisa at [lisav@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:lisav@soarfoxcities.com) to double check. You cannot take part in Special Olympics activities or compete if your medical is not up to date!!

All athletes must also have a COVID-19 form and waiver on file with SOWI. If you have not signed each of these please contact Lisa V. immediately!



Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Activity	Activity Name	Cost
	Please remember to ONLY REGISTER FOR ONE SESSION A DAY TO ALLOW OTHER MEMBERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND. THANK YOU!	

Submit total amount due to:

SOAR Fox Cities

211 E Franklin St., Suite A  
Appleton, WI 54911

Registration and Payment required prior to activities.

Pay by cash, check (# \_\_\_\_\_), or on-line.

Total: \_\_\_\_\_



# June 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Virtual Games Coffee Connections	3	4	5
6	7 Games	8 First Day of Camp Onaway	9 Camp Onaway Dinner & Bingo Virtual BISG	10 Camp Onaway	11 Camp Onaway	12 Last Day of Camp Onaway
13	14	15 TnT Virtual	16 Outside Games	17 Evening Craft	18	19
20	21 Mini Golf	22	23 Dinner & Craft	24	25	26
27	28 Virtual Games BISG In-Person	29 Crafts Dinner & Movie	30 TnT In-Person Baking Class			

NOTES



## **SOAR Fox Cities - Special Olympics 2021 Softball**

**Please make checks payable to:**

SOAR Fox Cities  
211 E. Franklin St.  
Appleton, WI 54911

**Registration Deadline is Tues. JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>      Season runs May 14<sup>th</sup> - July 16<sup>th</sup>  
FRIDAYS 5:15-6:30pm**

St. Pius Church & School - 500 W. Marquette St., Appleton, WI

**Fee: \$50 Member / \$70 Non-member**

**Athlete's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Best number for info on practices:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Uniform size:**

**Jersey \_\_\_\_\_ Pants \_\_\_\_\_**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I will compete in the district tournament - TBD**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I will compete at State (extra fees may apply) - TBD**

Office Use Only:    Amount \_\_\_\_\_    Check \_\_\_\_\_    Cash \_\_\_\_\_    Date \_\_\_\_\_



## SOAR Fox Cities Special Olympics BOCCE

**Practices:** Tuesdays, 5:15pm – 6:30pm.

May 18 – July 27, 2021

**Location:** St. Pius School-500 W. Marquette St  
Appleton, WI 54911

**FEE: \$50 Member / \$70 Non-member**

**Registration deadline: JUNE 1, 2021**

Send form and payment to:

**SOAR Fox Cities**  
**211 E. Franklin St. Suite A**  
**Appleton, WI 54911**

**Questions? Contact Lisa at:**

[lisav@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:lisav@soarfoxcities.com) or 920-731-9831 X 109



## SOAR Fox Cities Special Olympics BOCCE

Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Best number to call for practices: \_\_\_\_\_

Email for practices: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Size shirt I need. Shorts size I need \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I **WILL** compete in the District Meet - TBD

\_\_\_\_\_ I **WILL NOT** compete in the District meet. **NOTE:**  
**YOU MUST attend the District meet to advance to state**

\_\_\_\_\_ If I qualify, I **WILL** compete in the State competition -  
TBD

\_\_\_\_\_ I **WILL NOT** compete in the State Outdoor Sports  
Tournament

**FEE: \$50 Member / \$70 Non-member**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Amount received \_\_\_\_\_

Check NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Online \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_