



# May 2026

## Activity & Program Guide



### \*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*

The page “**SOAR Policies**” has been moved and is now viewable on our website under the “Monthly Newsletter” tab. This information can also be found in your SOAR Participant Handbook.

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### Activity Sign-Up Announcement

Classes have been filling up quickly and we understand that has been frustrating. While we’re working on adding space & classes we’re also trying things to make sign-up smoother. In an attempt to make signing-up for activities as fair as possible **we will still be sending out the hardcopy newsletter mid-month on Thursday evening, BUT we will be waiting until the following Monday at noon to post the electronic newsletter on the website.** At this same time is when we will send the newsletter email AND make sign-up live on our website. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

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# Message from the Director~



Hello Friends of SOAR!

As we head into May, there's a noticeable shift in energy - longer days, fuller calendars, and so many opportunities to be together as a community. It's one of those times of year where things feel both busy and exciting in the very best way, and we're soaking it all in here at SOAR.

May is shaping up to be a month filled with connection, celebration, and a little bit of everything in between. From new events to familiar favorites, there truly is something for everyone, and we're excited to see so many of you out and about.

I also wanted to share a few highlights:

### My Housing Choice – Continuing Conversations

We're grateful to continue supporting My Housing Choice gatherings as they create such an important space for learning, sharing, and exploring future housing possibilities together. If you've been thinking about attending, this is a wonderful opportunity to connect and learn more. As a reminder, this is not a SOAR program, but one we proudly support!

### 70th Anniversary SOAR Merch – Limited Time!

Our anniversary merch is still available! Celebrate this milestone year and show your SOAR pride before items are gone.

Visit the SOAR Store here: <https://soar-store.printful.me/>

### Cupcakes & Cuddles – A Sweet New Event!

We're excited to introduce this sweet new event—bringing together treats, connection, and some lovable furry friends!

### Sensory Friendly Safety Day

We're also looking forward to our Sensory Friendly Safety Day, designed to create a welcoming and comfortable environment to learn about safety resources in our community. This is a great opportunity to explore, ask questions, and engage at your own pace.

### Good Luck to Our Track Athletes!

A special shoutout to our incredible athletes as they prepare for the District Track Meet on May 16th. We're cheering you on and wish you the very best!

This time of year is such a great reminder of what makes SOAR so special - the connections, the shared experiences, and the joy of being part of something bigger together. Thank you for being part of this community!

~ Erin Schultz-Wege, Executive Director

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“ Be so happy, that when others look at you, they become happy too” ~ Unknown

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

## We have a lock box outside of the SOAR Building!



When facing the main entrance of the building from the parking lot you will see a black box with a silver lid on the right side of the building doors. **This is the after-hours drop box where payments or paperwork can be left when SOAR is closed.** This includes before or after the hours of 9:00-4:30pm M-TH, or Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Simply lift the silver top and drop your envelope into the opening. **We always recommend dropping things off to the office during office hours for the most security,** but we understand that not everyone's schedules allow for this. This lock box will be checked once a day by SOAR staff or the building manager. If you drop something off on Friday, or Thursday night, it may not be checked/received until Monday. Please call the office if you have questions.

## We do NOT accept payments at activities

Friendly Reminder: DO NOT give coaches, volunteers, or SOAR staff payment or any SOAR document that need to be filled out/turned into the office while at practices or programs! We will NOT accept it!

**All payment and forms must be turned in to the SOAR Office during office hours, mailed in, or dropped-off in the lock box.** You can also go to [soarfoxcities.com](http://soarfoxcities.com) for payment and activity registration, or speak with a staff member on the phone. As a reminder: voicemails or emails will not be accepted as registration.



## Don't forget your 70th Anniversary Swag!!

Did you know SOAR has an online store?? From sweatshirts, hats, t-shirts, mugs, and more, represent SOAR in style in designs created by our very own SOAR Staff! We added NEW merch in honor of our 70th Anniversary—be sure to check out our new exciting swag and celebrate 70 years of SOAR in style!

*Please Note: Printful runs our store, creates, and ships all products. All purchases must be made directly through their site- there are NO products available for purchase at our office. Items must be shipped to you; there is NO pickup available.*

Store link: [soarfoxcities.com/soar-store/](http://soarfoxcities.com/soar-store/)

Scan QR Code:



## Volunteering

Volunteering at SOAR can look a variety of ways! We have many individual volunteering needs such as helping at our educational classes, fun outings, and recreational events. We also love having groups come in and give back. If your company, work, or club is looking for a fun way to make a difference you can volunteer as a group at SOAR! We are still looking for Camp Onaway Camp Counselors and Leaders for June 9th-June 13th!

**If interested in learning more about volunteering please contact [volunteer@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:volunteer@soarfoxcities.com).**

**\*Turn to the specific page number listed under the "page" column for all details needed for each activity.\***

<b>Program Type KEY</b>	
<b>Youth Programs=Youth, Adult Education=AE, Family Programs =FAM, Community Inclusion: Adults 18+= Adult, Community Inclusion: Young Adults= 18-30 Advocacy Programs=ADV PF= People First</b>	

May	Program Choice	Time	Page	member/non-member/caregiver	IRIS-Code	Staffed By:	Type KEY	Class Capacity	Register By:
2	Super Saturday- New Zoo	12:00-6:00pm	8	\$84/\$168/\$80	C	Abby	Adult	25	4/22
4	Chili's + Soda Bar	11:00am-1:00pm	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	10	4/30
4	Grief Support Group	6:00-7:00pm	8	FREE	F	Maria	AE	10	4/29
5,12,19,26	Y-Fit	10:45-11:45am	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	15	5/4
6	BINGO	6:00-7:30pm	8	\$24/\$30	F	Abby	Adult	25	4/29
7	Baking Class	10:00am-12:00pm	8	\$36/\$72	F	LeeAnn	AE	8	4/30
8	Dance	6:00-8:00pm	8	\$10/\$20/\$5	C	Abby	Adult	100	5/5
9	Sibshop	9:30am-12:30pm	-	\$25	-	Tessa	-	20	5/4
11	No Bake	10:00-11:30am	8	\$36/\$72	F	LeeAnn	AE	12	5/4
12	People First Fox Cities	6:00-7:00pm	6	FREE	C	LeeAnn	ADV/ PF	20	5/12
13	IL Bar + Board & Brush	11:00am-1:00pm	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	12	5/11
13	Dinner & a Movie	4:30-8:00pm	9	\$42/\$84/\$9**	C	Abby	Adult	25	4/29
14	Lunch & Learn (VIRTUAL)	11:30am-12:30pm	5	FREE	-	Jillian	FAM	25	5/14
14	Badger Sports Park	6:00-8:00pm	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	20	5/12
18	Make & Take	10:00-11:30am	9	\$36/\$72	F	LeeAnn	AE	8	5/11
18	Red Robin + Dunkin	11:00am-1:00pm	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	8	5/14
19,26 & 6/2	Healthy Cooking Class	4:00-5:30pm	9	\$108/\$216	F	LeeAnn	AE	8	5/12
20	Cupcakes & Cuddles Workshop	6:00-7:30pm	9	\$36/\$72	F	Abby/ Jackie	Adult/ 18-30	25	5/13
21	Baking Class	10:00am-12:00pm	9	\$36/\$72	F	LeeAnn	AE	8	5/14
26	Mini But Mighty	9:00-11:00am	5	FREE	-	Jillian	FAM	10 Families/ 15 children	5/25
27	The Fire + IL Bar	11:00am-1:00pm	7	\$42/\$84	C	Jackie	18-30	12	5/25
27	Games Night	6:00-7:30pm	9	\$24/\$30	F	Abby	Adult	25	5/20
28	Confident Women	5:00-7:00pm	9	\$24/\$48	F	LeeAnn	AE	20	5/21
30	Sensory Friendly Safety Day	10:00am-2:00pm	5	FREE	-	Jillian	FAM	-	5/21- to be guaranteed to receive a resource kit

**\*\* Dinner & a Movie Caregiver fee - \$9 PLUS purchase of own dinner at event**

Please remember **not to arrive any more than 15 minutes before activities begin!** If you do, you must wait outside the building until the leader of that specific activity arrives. **Other staff will not be allowed to let you inside the building unattended.** Please plan ahead because we do not want anyone waiting outside in unsafe weather.

# Youth Programs

Program	Details	Skills
<b>TnT with Lisa (ages 13-23)</b> Young adults 13-23 with and without disabilities can come meet new people and play new games with friends!	<b>Thurs, May 7, 6:30-8:00pm</b> <u>First Congregational Church</u> 724 E. South River St., Appleton FREE <b>No Registration Date</b>	Communication, friendships, relationship building, creative thinking, decision making and independent thinking.
<b>TnT with Lisa (ages 13-23)</b> Q: What do you get when a cow laughs?? A: A milkshake!!!	<b>Thurs, May 21, 6:30-8:00pm</b> <u>First Congregational Church</u> 724 E. South River St., Appleton FREE <b>No Registration Date</b>	Communication, friendships, relationship building, creative thinking, decision making and independent thinking.

**For more info on Youth Programs contact Lisa:** Lisa@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 731-9831 x110

# Family Programs

Program	Details	Skills
<b>Lunch and Learn Virtual Support Group</b> Join us for our Virtual Support group. A great chance to network with other caregivers on a similar journey from the comfort of your home or office.	<b>Thurs, May 14, 11:30-12:30pm</b> <u>Virtual</u> FREE Capacity limit: 25 <b>Register by 5/14</b>	Networking, resources vulnerability and compassion
<b>Mini but Mighty</b> Families of children with disabilities five and under, join us for story time, a sensory-related activity, and time for caregivers to connect while their children play at the Sensory Club! Siblings also welcome!	<b>Tues, May 26, 9:00-11:00am</b> <u>Sensory Club: 976 American Dr. Neenah</u> FREE Capacity limit: 10 families, 15 kids <b>Register by 5/25</b>	Networking, social skills, resources, parallel and joint play, communication, vulnerability, and compassion
<b>Sensory Friendly Safety Day</b> Meet a variety of first responders, explore emergency vehicles up close, and visit various resource tables for information. Learn, connect, and build confidence in a welcoming and supportive setting. <b>Registration is required to receive a safety resource kit!</b>	<b>Sat, May 30, 10:00am-2:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> Fox Crossing Station 40- 1326 Cold Springs Rd., Neenah 54956 FREE <b>Register by 5/21- to be guaranteed to receive a resource kit!</b>	Networking, safety skills, resources

**For more info on Family Programs contact Jillian:** Jillian@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 731-9831 x126

# Advocacy Programs

Program	Details	Skills
<p><b>People First Fox Cities with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>This group encourages and trains individuals to speak up and advocate for themselves. The meeting will be at the Menasha Library Fox River Room on the 1st floor. If you are interested in joining us virtually contact LeeAnn.</p>	<p><b>Tues, May 12, 6:00-7:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> Menasha Public Library- 440 1st. St, Menasha FREE Capacity limit= 20 <b>Register by 5/12</b></p>	<p>Self Advocacy, social skills, communication, community resources and building relationships</p>
<p><b>Virtual TBI Support Group with Clare</b></p> <p>A great chance to network with other survivors, loved ones and caregivers on a similar journey from the comfort of your home or office.</p>	<p><b>Thurs, May 14, 5:00-6:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Zoom</u> FREE <b>No Registration Date</b></p>	<p>Networking, resources, vulnerability to share experiences, active listening, building relationships, offering support</p>
<p><b>St. Elizabeth's TBI Support Group with Clare</b></p> <p>Join our in person support group to share stories, meet TBI survivors, loved ones and caregivers. We discuss success stories, share struggles and answer any questions people may have regarding the road to recovery.</p>	<p><b>There is no in person meeting in May.</b></p>	<p>Networking, resources, vulnerability to share experiences, active listening, building relationships, offering support</p>

**For more info on People First, contact LeeAnn:** LeeAnn@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 731-9831 x112







**For more info on TBI Support Groups, contact Clare:** Clare@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 585-7820

## Did You Know?

SOAR offers Community Education Presentations that provide information and raise awareness on disability-related topics. We have a variety of educational presentations for adults and youth, and will customize our outreach efforts to the specific needs, sensitivities, and levels of awareness within each group!



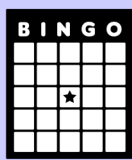



If you would like to schedule a speaker, please contact us at (920) 731-9831 or email info@soarfoxcities.com

# Community Inclusion (Young Adult 18-30)

Program	Details	Skills
 <p><b>Chili's + Soda Bar</b> Enjoy lunch at Chili's. After lunch, we will walk next door to grab a drink at The Soda Bar! <b>Please bring extra money if you choose to purchase items at Soda Bar!</b> Drinks range from \$3-\$5.</p>	<p><b>Mon, May 4, 11:00am-1:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF:</b> Chili's-1170 N Casaloma Dr, Appleton <b>PICK UP:</b> Soda Bar-734 N Casaloma Dr, Appleton Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 10 <b>Register by 4/30</b></p>	<p>Social skills, decision making, following directions, behavior in a public setting, communication, building relationships, critical thinking, responsibility for money</p>
 <p><b>Y-Fit</b> A fun and fitness-filled experience! At each class we have a new set of exercises designed to keep you active and entertained.</p>	<p><b>Tuesdays, May 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:45-11:45am</b> <u>Location:</u> YMCA Fox Cities-218 E Lawrence St, Appleton Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 15 <b>Register by 5/4</b></p>	<p>communication, relationship building, creative thinking, being in a group setting, physical strength, balance, cooperation, and coordination</p>
 <p><b>IL Bar + Board &amp; Brush</b> Enjoy lunch with friends at IL Bar! IL Bar will be <b>BRING YOUR OWN MONEY!</b> After lunch &amp; drinks, we will take a short <b>WALK</b> to Board &amp; Brush to create our signs. See insert for design choices!</p>	<p><b>Wed, May 13, 11:00am-1:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF:</b> IL Bar 324 E College Ave <b>PICK UP:</b> Board &amp; Brush 109 N Durkee, Appleton Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 12 <b>Register by 5/11</b></p>	<p>Social skills, decision making, following directions, behavior in a public setting, communication, building relationships, critical thinking, responsibility for money</p>
 <p><b>Badger Sports Park</b> We will have unlimited pizza and soda for 1 hour! You will get a fun card pre loaded with credit for activities which include: laser tag, mini bowling, and laser maze. <b>Feel free to bring more money for other activities!</b></p>	<p><b>Thurs, May 14, 6:00-8:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF &amp; PICK UP-</b> Badger Sports Park- 3600 E. Evergreen Dr., Appleton 54913 Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 20 <b>Register by 5/12</b></p>	<p>Communication, following directions, be in a group setting, building relationships, making decisions, helping others (empathy), taking turns, and public behaviors</p>
 <p><b>Red Robin + Dunkin</b> Let's do lunch at Red Robin, after we finish eating, we will walk over to Dunkin to enjoy a delicious drink! <b>Please bring extra money if you choose to purchase items at Dunkin!</b></p>	<p><b>Mon, May 18, 11:00am-1:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF:</b> Red Robin- 109, Stoney Brook Rd, Appleton--<b>PICK UP:</b> Dunkin Donuts- W3208 County Hwy KK, Appleton Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 8 <b>Register by 5/14</b></p>	<p>Social skills, decision making, following directions, behavior in a public setting, communication, building relationships, critical thinking, money skills</p>
 <p><b>The Fire + IL Bar</b> At The Fire Studio, you'll create a pottery masterpiece. Once the artwork is complete and set aside for firing, we will <b>WALK</b> to IL Bar Coffee Shop to enjoy some handcrafted drinks, sandwiches, or light bites. <b>Please bring extra money if you choose to purchase items at IL Bar!</b></p>	<p><b>Wed, May 27, 11:00am-1:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF:</b> The Fire Studio 230 E College Ave, Appleton <b>PICK UP:</b> IL Bar 324 E College Ave Appleton Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member Capacity limit= 12 <b>Register by 5/25</b></p>	<p>Communication, decision making, critical thinking, following directions, being in a group setting, making friends and building relationships, responsibility for actions and money</p>

**For more info on CI: Young Adults, contact Jackie:** Jackie@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 731-9831 x121

# Adult Programs (AE & CI: Adults)

Program	Details	Skills
 <p><b>Super Saturday- New Zoo with Abby</b></p> <p>Let's go to the New Zoo in Green Bay to tour and meet some cute animals. Please dress for the weather and bring money if you are interested in souvenirs!</p>	<p><b>Sat, May 2, 12:00-6:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF &amp; PICK UP will be at SOAR!</b></p> <p>Fee: \$84 member/ \$168 non-member/ \$80 Caregiver</p> <p>Capacity limit= 25</p> <p><b>Register by 4/22</b></p>	<p>Communications, following directions, be in a group setting, making friends and building relationships, responsibility for money if buying extra stuff)</p>
 <p><b>Grief Support Group with Maria</b></p> <p>A safe space to share with other adults who have also experienced loss. We will also briefly learn about dealing with anger after a loss.</p>	<p><b>Mon, May 4, 6:00-7:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR 1st Floor Board Room</p> <p>Fee: FREE</p> <p>Capacity limit= 10</p> <p><b>Register by 4/29</b></p>	<p>Social skills, emotional regulation, building relationships</p>
 <p><b>Bingo with Abby</b></p> <p>Come win big at BINGO! A small snack will be provided.</p>	<p><b>Wed, May 6, 6:00-7:30pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level</p> <p>Fee: \$24 member/ \$30 non-member</p> <p>Capacity limit= 25</p> <p><b>Register by 4/29</b></p>	<p>Fine motor skills, following directions, communication, making friends, problem solving</p>
 <p><b>Baking with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>You will be making Cinnamon Crinkle Cookies. A soft cookie inside with a crackled outside.</p>	<p><b>Thurs, May 7, 10:00am-12:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level</p> <p>Fee: \$36 member/ \$72 non-member</p> <p>Capacity limit= 8</p> <p><b>Register by 4/30</b></p>	<p>Planning, following directions, use of equipment and tools, measurements, kitchen safety, sanitation</p>
 <p><b>Dance with Abby</b></p> <p>Join us for a grand night celebrating 70 years of SOAR! Come dance the night away in your best-dressed!</p> <p>See Flyer for more details!!!!</p>	<p><b>Fri, May 8, 6:00-8:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> St. Mary's Menasha- 528 2nd St., Menasha</p> <p>Fee: \$10 member/ \$20 non-member/ \$5 Caregiver</p> <p>Capacity limit= 100</p> <p><b>Register by 5/5</b></p>	<p>Communication, decision making, critical thinking, following directions, being in a group setting, making friends and building relationships</p>
 <p><b>No Bake with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>You will be making a Coffee Toffee Bar. This is a no bake bar made with graham crackers, nuts, chocolate and a hint of coffee.</p>	<p><b>Mon, May 11, 10:00-11:30am</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level</p> <p>Fee: \$36 member/ \$72 non-member</p> <p>Capacity limit= 12</p> <p><b>Register by 5/4</b></p>	<p>Planning, following directions, use of equipment and tools, measurements, kitchen safety and sanitation</p>

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**For more info on Community Inclusion: Adults 18+, contact Abby:** Abby@soarfoxcities.com or (920) 731-9831 x130

# Adult Programs (continued)

Program	Details	Skills
 <p><b>Dinner &amp; a Movie with Abby</b></p> <p>Join us at <b>El Azteca</b> for dinner before <b>WALKING</b> over to Valley Grand Cinema for a movie! Make sure to dress for the weather and bring money if you want to purchase snacks/drinks.</p>	<p><b>Wed, May 13, 4:30-8:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> <b>DROP OFF:</b> El Azteca- N474 Eisenhower Dr., Appleton 54915  <b>PICK UP:</b> W3091 Van Roy Rd, Appleton 54915            Fee: \$42 member/ \$84 non-member/\$9**            Caregiver            Capacity limit= 25  <b>Register by 4/29</b>            **Caregiver fee is now \$9 PLUS they will buy their own dinner.</p>	<p>Communications, following directions, be in a group setting, making friends and building relationships, responsibility for money if buying extra snacks</p>
 <p><b>Make &amp; Take with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>You will be making Taco Cup Cakes. A corn meal base topped with taco toppings.</p>	<p><b>Mon, May 18, 10:00-11:30am</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$36 member/ \$72 non-member            Capacity limit= 8  <b>Register by 5/11</b></p>	<p>Planning, following directions, use of equipment and tools, measurements, kitchen safety and sanitation</p>
 <p><b>Healthy Cooking with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>Healthy Cooking is a 3 week cooking and nutritional education class. Each night you will prepare your own dinner.</p>	<p><b>Tuesdays, May 19, 26 &amp; June 2, 4:00-5:30pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$108 member/ \$216 non-member            Capacity limit= 8  <b>Register by 5/12</b></p>	<p>Meal preparation, planning, following directions, use of equipment and tools, measurements, kitchen safety, sanitation</p>
 <p><b>Cupcake &amp; Cuddles workshop</b></p> <p>Enjoy a night of fun with therapy dogs and cupcakes! We will be decorating cupcakes while enjoying some cuddles from therapy dogs!</p>	<p><b>Wed, May 20, 6:00-7:30pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$36 member/ \$72 non-member            Capacity limit= 25  <b>Register by 5/13</b></p>	<p>Communication, decision making, critical thinking, Following directions, being in a group setting, making friends and building relationships</p>
 <p><b>Baking with LeeAnn</b></p> <p>You will be making Nutter Butter bars. A Nutter Butter cookie crust topped with peanut butter and roasted peanuts.</p>	<p><b>Thurs, May 21, 10:00am-12:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$36 member/ \$72 non-member            Capacity limit= 8  <b>Register by 5/14</b></p>	<p>Planning, following directions, use of equipment and tools, measurements, kitchen safety, sanitation</p>
 <p><b>Game Night with Abby</b></p> <p>Join us for a night of fun games!</p>	<p><b>Wed, May 27, 6:00-7:30pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$24 member/ \$30 non-member            Capacity limit= 25  <b>Register by 5/20</b></p>	<p>Communication, decision making, critical thinking, following directions, being in a group setting, making friends and building relationships</p>
 <p><b>Confident Women</b></p> <p>Enjoy dinner and a movie!</p>	<p><b>Thurs, May 28, 5:00-7:00pm</b></p> <p><u>Location:</u> SOAR Lower Level            Fee: \$24 member/ \$48 non-member            Capacity limit= 20  <b>Register by 5/21</b></p>	<p>Communications, following directions, be in a group setting, social skills, making friends and building relationships</p>

# Special Olympics updates

The swim team competed in the District Tournament on Saturday, March 21st. Congrats to everyone, it was such an exciting day! There were lots of first place ribbons, but everyone did fantastic. We look forward to seeing who advances to State. Check out more photos on our Facebook page!



Summer sports registration is now open! You'll find the softball, tee-ball, and bocce registrations towards the end of this newsletter. Please note, softball & bocce athletes will NOT be competing in Manitowoc this year, as the invitational is the beginning of June. Registered athletes will receive information about other games via email.



Thank you Kimberly High School for another incredible Spread the Word to End the Word event! The Ravens pulled another win in a close game with the All Stars. This is one of our favorite events and we are so grateful!

## **ATTENTION! NEW SOWI MEDICAL PAPERWORK NOW AVAILABLE**

Effective 1/1/26, SOWI will no longer accept the previous medical packet; you can now obtain the new paperwork from the SOAR office, via email from our SO Coordinator, on SOWI's website, or on SOAR's website. The new packet is much shorter and does NOT require a physical exam or doctor's signature (unless there are extenuating circumstances). The new packet can even be completed directly online, but must be renewed every year.

### **Upcoming SO Events:**

District Track Meet: Saturday, May 16th, Ashwaubenon High School  
State Summer Games (Track): June 4-6th, UW Whitewater  
District Softball & Bocce Tournament: August 2nd, Appleton Memorial Park



### **GET INVOLVED!**

We are always looking for Special Olympics volunteers and coaches, in all sports. Our current need is for the track season and summer sports; softball, t-ball, and bocce. Contact SO Coordinator, Jen Kalishek, if you're interested in getting involved.

Jen Kalishek | [jen@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:jen@soarfoxcities.com) | 920-731-9831 ext. 122

**Reminder! Our cancellation policy is:**

If you are unable to attend an activity, you must cancel at least 5 days in advance to be eligible for a credit. If a participant cancels less than 5 days before the activity or is a no-show, there will be no credit given, only in rare instances will exceptions be granted.

**If the activity requires tickets and you cancel more than 5 days in advance, you are STILL fully responsible for the cost of the activity. Possible exceptions exist if we are able to fill the spot that was cancelled. If we are able to fill the vacancy, a credit will be applied to the participant's account.**

If cancelling (or no-show) for a part of a series, no credit will be given. If eligible, only credits will be given. No refunds will be given.

IRIS refuses to pay for services not provided, which includes cancellations and no-shows. If you require IRIS-billing, based on the Cancellation Policy, you are fully responsible for all cancelled (or no-show) activity fees.

In the event of SOAR cancelling an activity due to weather or other reasons, all registered participants will be credited for the activity or refunded upon request via check.

Please understand that the cancellation policy exists for several reasons including:

1. Programs can fill up quickly and when this happens we create a waitlist. Canceling in advance allows us to contact those on the waitlist and gives another participant the opportunity to join the activity.

2. Many programs require purchases that reflect on the number of individuals participating in that specific activity such as movie/theater/sports game tickets, transportation expenses, arts and crafts supplies, baking/cooking supplies, or meals, where the money cannot be replaced or exchanged when someone cancels without notice. We try to avoid this the best we can by trying to typically buy tickets as close to the date of the activity as possible, but sometimes this is not always an option.

**Thank you for your understanding, patience, and support!**

*Register via slip before or online at [soarfoxcities.com/register-for-activities/](http://soarfoxcities.com/register-for-activities/)*



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

\*Email to contact if CANCELLATION occurs: \_\_\_\_\_

Check box if already registered online or by telephone

Date of Activity	Activity Name	Cost

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

**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 online.

If you use IRIS, Lakeland Care, Inclusa, CLTS, or Community Care please check this box   
 Please provide billing name & contact info:

# Board & Brush With Jackie

**This activity is for participants 18-30 years of age**

Join Jackie at Board & Brush to make a fun board design! They will provide all the materials and help instruct you step by step to create a beautiful sign perfect for the holiday season! Below are the designs available. Please choose which design you would like to create. You may cut the bottom portion off and mail into SOAR, return in person to SOAR or feel free to email Jackie your choice. If you choose to email, please include the name of participant **AND** design choice.

**Email Jackie at:** Jackie@soarfoxcities.com



For Jackie's B&B  
 on 5/13/26

\*\*Mail to SOAR Fox Cities 211 E. Franklin St. Suite A, Appleton WI, 54911  
**OR** hand into the office to Jackie **BY MAY 11TH**

Name of participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Design choice: \_\_\_\_\_



# El Azteca with Abby C

Join Abby at El Azteca to enjoy a meal before heading to a movie at Valley Grand Cinema! Please choose one of the options to eat when registering and specify any accommodations or allergies! We will order drinks when we get there!

- 1 **Cheeseburger:** served with lettuce, tomato, onions, and french fries
- 2 **Taco Salad:** Crispy shell flour tortilla with melted cheese sauce, covered with lettuce, cheese, tomato, guacamole, sour cream, and pico de gallo - with marinated chicken
- 3 **Chimichangas:** Stuffed with your favorite meat, topped with cheese sauce, lettuce, sour cream, guacamole, and pico de gallo - with Chicken or Beef. Served with rice and refried beans
- 4 **Cheese Quesadilla or Grilled Quesadilla:** Your choice of chicken, steak or pork on a flour torilla, served with lettuce and sour cream.
- 5 **Tacos al carbon (3):** Three steak or chicken tacos in soft flour tortillas with cheese dip inside, served with Mexican rice and refried beans, lettuce and pico de gallo.
- 6 **Nachos Fajitas:** Bed of crispy corn tortillas with grilled chicken, grilled beef with sautéed onions, tomatoes, bell peppers, white and yellow cheese, beans, garnished with lettuce, guacamole and sour cream.

\*\*Dinner and a Movie - Complete the online registration or call the office at (920) 731 -9831 **BY APRIL 29TH**


# wisconsibs Sibshops

Sibshops are lively, kid-centered workshops for siblings ages 6–12 who have a brother or sister with a disability or long-term health need. Each month, sibs across the Fox Cities come together to play games, make friends, learn new skills, and share their experiences in a space where they feel understood and supported.

**FEE** \$25 per participant

**Program Manger**  
Tessa Lewis

 [tessa@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:tessa@soarfoxcities.com)

 (920) 734-9831 x132



**Register Today!**





wisconsibs

**SIBLING SUMMER**

**FUN AWAITS!**



Program	Ages	Dates	Fees
Teen Sibs Leadership Retreat	13-17	June 11-13	\$200
SibDays Of Summer	6-12	July 13-17	\$250
SibCamp	9-14	August 9-13	\$600

### Details and Registration



WisconSibs summer programs are for brothers and sisters of individuals with differing abilities. Join a warm, activity-filled camp where siblings connect, grow confidence, deepen empathy, and build communication, advocacy, and coping skills through games, projects, and guided conversations—spaces are limited, register now.



Questions:  
tessa@soarfoxcities.com  
(920) 731-9831



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# SUMMER COUNSELOR OPPURTUNITIES



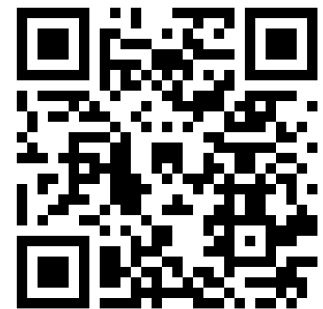
## SibDays Volunteer (ages 13+) July 13–17

Support day-camp activities, foster connections among siblings, and be a friendly, dependable presence.



## SibCamp Counselors Junior (ages 15-17) and Lead (18+) August 9–13

Junior counselors assist with activities and peer support; lead counselors plan sessions, mentor teens, and ensure a safe, inclusive experience.



Questions:  
[tessa@soarfoxcities.com](mailto:tessa@soarfoxcities.com)  
(920) 731-9831



# SOAR FOX CITIES SENSORY FRIENDLY SAFETY DAY

Come meet some of our incredible local first responders, interact with safety vehicles, and learn critical tips to keep you and your family safe at home and in the community!



## EVENT DETAILS

**Saturday, May 30th**

**10:00-2:00PM**

*Stop by anytime!*

**Fox Crossing Station 40**

1326 Cold Spring Rd., Neenah

**Free Event**

NOTE: Registration is required to receive a resource kit

**Register by May 21**

(920) 731-9831

[www.soarfoxcities.com](http://www.soarfoxcities.com)

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

- High and low sensory areas
- Interactive safety activities
- Resource tables
- Interact with first responders and their vehicles in a safe, understanding environment
- NOTE: This is a family event, please register with a family member/caregiver



**QUESTIONS? CONTACT JILLIAN JAKUBOWSKI:**

Jillian@soarfoxcities.com or 920-731-9831 x126



# My Housing Voice

A Project Of KeysWI

## Share your housing goals.

Help us find solutions for creating more affordable and inclusive housing options for people with autism, intellectual developmental disabilities in Northeast Wisconsin.

### How?

Participate in a free learning session about possibilities and complete a survey about your needs and preferences, in-person or online.

### Who?

People with autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities, their family members, caregivers and supporters.

### We need your input!

Together we can help shape better housing choices for our community.



KeysWI



**FREE**

**Education & Input Sessions  
are scheduled for  
April & May 2026.**

**Multiple Options  
In-Person & Online**

**Visit**

**[myhousingvoice.org](https://myhousingvoice.org)  
to learn more and register.**



**Scan Me**

# 2026 SOAR Special Olympics Softball Registration

**Practices:** Mondays 5:00pm-6:30pm

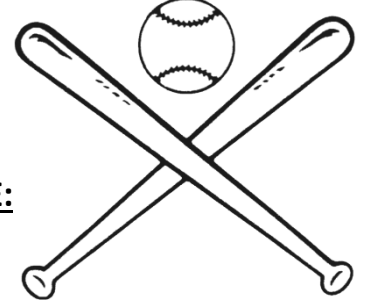
**Practice Location:** St. Pius Church/School Softball Diamond OR Highlands Elementary Appleton- TBD

**First Practice Date:** Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

\*Details about the season will be emailed to registered athletes (and all email addresses listed below 1-2 weeks before the season begins.

**Medical Deadline:** July 15th

**Fee: \$65 Member / \$ 85 Non-member**



## PLEASE COMPLETE EVERYTHING BELOW THIS LINE:

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

Athlete Phone Number (if different than emergency contact): \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete Email (if different than emergency contact): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

List any other email addresses who would like season updates here: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Please note: At least one email address is REQUIRED as that is how we will relay information about the season, cancellations, tournament information, etc.*

**How do you intend to pay for the season? Please circle payment method below:**

Cash    check    card    CLTS    other \_\_\_\_\_

**Uniform Size (Please circle one for jersey & shorts)**

**JERSEY:** XS / S/ M/ L/ XL/ 2X/ 3X/ 4X

**SHORTS:** XS / S/ M/ L/ XL/ 2X/ 3X/ 4X

### **Registration Deadline: JUNE 2nd**

Send form and payment to:

SOAR Fox Cities

211 E. Franklin St. Suite A

Appleton WI 54911

**Please select your skill level below. This will help us to determine the most appropriate team for you:**

\_\_\_ Beginner (The Sluggers)      \_\_\_ Intermediate (The Foxes)      \_\_\_ Advanced (The High Flyers)

*\*Team choice is not guaranteed. We must ensure each team has enough athletes to compete. Once teams are full, you will be placed on a waitlist.*

\_\_\_ I **will** compete in the District Tournament August 2nd at Appleton Memorial Park.

\_\_\_ I **will** compete in the Fall Games September 6-7<sup>th</sup> in WI Dells if the team qualifies.

*\*Please note: These are also the dates for bocce tournaments; athletes participating in both sports can only compete in softball OR bocce, but not both sports. Additionally, SO tournament fees will apply to athletes that advance.*

\_\_\_ I will **NOT** compete but only attend practices.

# 2026 SOAR Special Olympics Tee Ball Registration

**Practices:** Mondays 6:45pm-7:30pm

**Practice Location:** St. Pius Church/School Softball Diamond (500 Marquette St. Appleton)

**First Practice Date:** June 15th

**Fee:** \$40 Member / \$ 60 Non-member

**Please circle how you will be paying below:**

Cash   Check   Card Payment   CLTS   Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Deadline:**  
**JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>!**  
Send form and payment to:  
SOAR Fox Cities  
211 E. Franklin St. Suite A  
Appleton WI 54911



**PLEASE COMPLETE EVERYTHING BELOW THIS LINE:**

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

Athlete Phone Number (if different than emergency contact): \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete Email (if different than emergency contact): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Please note: At least one email address is REQUIRED as that is how we will relay information about the season, cancellations, tournament information, etc.***

**For Office Use Only:** Amount received \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Online \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

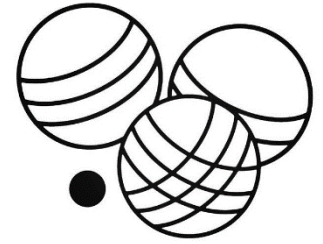
# 2026 SOAR Special Olympics Bocce Registration

**Practices:** Tuesdays 5:15pm-6:30pm

**Practice Location:** St. Pius School (500 W Marquette St, by the Oak tree)

**First Practice Date:** June 16<sup>th</sup>

**Medical Deadline:** July 15<sup>th</sup>



**Check here to select which fee you will be paying:**

**\$70 Member / \$ 90 Non-member:** 2026 Soar bocce shirt NOT included (non-competing athletes only)

**OR**

**\$75 Member / \$ 95 Non-Member:**

*\*Includes 2026 Soar bocce shirt. Athletes competing in the season's tournaments MUST purchase a shirt for the competitions as SOWI requires all athletes to match.*

**Please circle shirt size: XS / S / M / L / XL / 2X / 3X /4X**

**How do you intend to pay for the season? Please circle payment method below:**

Cash    check    card    CLTS    other\_\_\_\_\_

## Registration Deadline:

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>!**

Send form and payment to:

SOAR Fox Cities

211 E. Franklin St. Suite A

Appleton WI 54911

**PLEASE COMPLETE EVERYTHING BELOW THIS LINE:**

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

Athlete Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Athlete Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Email (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Please note: At least one email address is REQUIRED as that is how we will relay information about the season, cancellations, tournament information, etc.!***

**Please check the lines that apply:**

I **will** compete in the District Tournament August 1<sup>st</sup> at Appleton Memorial Park.

I **will** compete in the State Outdoor Games September 19-20<sup>th</sup> in DeForest if I qualify.

*\*Please note: These are also the dates of the softball tournaments; athletes participating in both sports can only compete in one sport, but can attend practices for both sports. **Additional fees will apply for SO tournament qualifiers.***

I **will not** compete but will only attend practices.

**For Office Use Only:** Amount received \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Online \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_