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A Message from the Founder and President

Dear Families and Friends:

Happy 4th of July to all. I hope all your celebrations are wonderful. For the PLCTA students heading back to ESY or camps, we hope these experiences will be exciting and fun-filled. We had so many PLCTA students graduate in June. We are so very proud of each and every one of you. To see you growing and finding your niche in the world is so very rewarding to all of us who watched you bloom over the past ten years. May God continue to bless you as you go forward in life.

Thanks to all who volunteered for our first coin drop at Walmart. We raised \$1,150.19, which will help us defer some of the cost for our Annual Fun Day. Thanks to all who weathered the hot temperatures to help out. It's always nice to have fun while raising funds. A special thanks to Ryan Abbott for serving the entire day for his Senior Project.

As most of you are aware, the Rotary Club of Scranton has held a Holiday Auction to benefit PLCTA for the last 8 years. They are no longer holding this auction for Autism. PLCTA will now hold an auction on December 6, 2012, so that the social clubs will not be affected in any way. PLCTA would like to welcome John Epp, Jr. as chairperson for our first Holiday Auction. John has served on our committee for the walk and has been Santa for our Youth Christmas Parties. I'm confident that with all our help he will make our first auction a huge success. Beginning July 1st, we will be selling raffle tickets for the auction. We are asking every family to help us sell these tickets. If you remember, last year the tickets were for a cruise. We are confident with the cash prize of \$1,000.00 cash before Christmas, the tickets will go quickly. To order tickets you may call Christina at 570-510-8032.

Next month we have two exciting events planned that you won't want to miss: an Art Show on August 3rd and our Annual Fun Day. Make sure you check your dates and times.

With Love,
Your Founder and President,
Kathleen M. Walsh

PLCTA's Dates to Remember

July 30 – DEADLINE for RSVPs for PLCTA's Fun Day @ Knoebels

August 3 - Art Exhibit, 6:00 pm, The Connell Building, 129 N. Washington Avenue, Scranton.

August 19 - PLCTA Fun Day @ Knoebels (see flyer for details)

September 29 - Safety4AllKids Conference

December 6 - Christmas Auction

NOTE: Outside events will return to this column in October, see calendar for non-PLCTA events.

Download a color copy of this newsletter in PDF format after joining www.plcta.org!

Need help registering? Contact Mike at webmaster@plcta.org

Recreation News

NOTICE FOR ALL SOCIAL GROUPS

Please respect the age ranges of our social groups. We are trying to provide social opportunities for all of our children living through autism.

YOUTH SOCIAL (12 & UNDER)

For our 12 & under members, Sunday, July 22nd, will be a movie at the Marquee 8 in Scranton. Please arrive by 9:45, as the movie starts promptly at 10:00. The concession stand will be open for you to purchase snacks. Please **RSVP by July 8th** (include your phone number in the event we need to reschedule!) to Mary Ellen at 346-2955.

YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL (12-15 YEARS OLD)

July's social will be a trip to the Keystone College Astronomical Observatory on Tuesday, July 24th (rain date is Thursday, July 26th). We will be meeting at the Lackawanna County State Park. **RSVPs are required!** Please call Patti by July 20th at 563-1852 to RSVP and get meet-up instructions.

TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL (16 & OLDER)

For children with autism who are 16 years old or older, PLCTA's Teen Social will be held at Idle Hour Bowling Lanes, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 14th and 28th. **Please plan to arrive by 12:45** to get your shoes and ball.

PLCTA'S ANNUAL FUN DAY

PLCTA's Annual Fun Day will be at Knoebel's Grove on August 19th. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. in Pavilion "V" and each child will receive a book of tickets worth \$10. **RSVPs are due by July 30th** (no exceptions!) and questions can be directed to Mary Albano at 606-6930.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

PLCTA's Headquarters at 570-341-3388 and leave a message.



July 2012



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 PLCTA BOARD MEETING, 7:00, HQ	7
8	9	10	11 <u>Deadline:</u> Golf for Autism Registration	12	13	14 TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes
15	16	17 SibShops© at Dunmore YMCA, 5:00- 7:00 pm	18 <u>RSVP DEADLINE:</u> <u>YOUTH SOCIAL @ MOVIES</u> SibShops© at Carbondale YMCA, 5:00- 7:00 pm Golf for Autism, Scott Greens Golf Club, 9:00 am.	19 <u>Raindate:</u> Golf for Autism	20 <u>RSVP DEADLINE:</u> <u>YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL @ OBSERVATORY</u>	21
22 YOUTH SOCIAL, Marquee 8, Scranton, 9:45 am	23	24 YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL, Observatory Trip, details w/RSVP	25	26 <u>RAINDATE</u> <u>YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL,</u> Observatory	27	28 TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes
			2012 PA Community on Transition Conference – Empowerment in an Environment of Change, State College, PA			
29	30 <u>RSVP DEADLINE,</u> <u>PLCTA'S FUN DAY @ KNOEBELS</u>	31	<p><u>July 30 – Aug 2</u>, National Autism Conference, State College, PA</p> <p><u>Aug 6-10</u> - U-Aut-2-Act Theater Camp, Roaring Brook, PA</p>			

To be included in PLCTA's newsletter, please submit your events by the 20th of the month prior to your event.

Calendar items in **bold** print are PLCTA Foundation sponsored events. The PLCTA Foundation provides notification of third-party events in our calendar as a courtesy and assumes no responsibility for those events.



PLCTA'S Annual Fun Day

PLACE: Knoebel's Amusement Resort, 391 Knoebel's Blvd., Elysburg, PA 17824

DATE: Sunday, August 19, 2012

TIME: Park opens at 11:00 a.m. – closes at 10:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Pavilion "V"

LUNCH: 12:15 p.m. at Pavilion "V" – Free for members of PLCTA and their immediate family (Parents, children & siblings under 18) \$9.00 per person for friends and extended family members (children under 4 are free). The lunch menu includes: BBQ Chicken, Hot Dogs, Macaroni & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Ice Cream & Ice Tea.

TICKETS: Each child of a PLCTA member will receive \$10.00 worth of tickets good for rides, games, pool, and refreshments... Please check in with Mary & Christina at Pavilion "V" to receive these tickets.

RSVP'S: MUST BE MADE BY JULY 30, 2012. (THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS FOR LATE CALLERS) Please call Mary Albano at 570-606-6930. If no answer, please leave your name, phone number, number of children (please specify if under 4 years old) and number of adults.

DIRECTIONS: I-81 South to I-80 West. Take any of the 3 Bloomsburg exits (232, 236, or 241), then follow PA 42 South to Catawissa. Cross bridge and watch for 487 South to bear right up incline. Follow PA 487 South for 6 miles. Turn left at the light into Knoebels.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Friends of PLCTA are welcome to attend, as well as extended family members (grandparents, cousins, Siblings over 18 etc.)...However, they will have to purchase their tickets at the park and pay \$9.00 for lunch.

POINT OF CONTACT: Mary Albano (570) 606-6930



You are Cordially Invited

to

*The Parents Loving
Children Through Autism
Art Exhibit Fundraiser*

at

*The Connell Building
129 N. Washington Ave*

on

August 3, 2012

6pm


*Music, Refreshments,
Raffles & Local Artists*

GOLF for AUTISM

Children on the Autism Spectrum between the ages of 10 and 18 are invited to play a **free-of-charge** round of golf!

July 18, 2012

Registration begins at 9:00 am, shotgun start at 9:30 am



455 Green Grove Rd -
Scott Township, PA 18447
570-254-6979

(Rain date: July 19th)

Age Division	Number of Holes	Tees Played	Par 3 Tees	15 - 18
10 - 14	6 Holes	3 Holes	Par 3 Tees	
			Par 3 Tees	

*If there are two or more children in one family participating, they will be grouped together regardless of the divisions listed above.

Each participant is required to have a family member (caddie) present throughout the entirety of the round. In addition, chaperones will be appointed to each group.

Golf clubs are not necessary!

If you would like to have your child participate and do not have equipment, clubs will be provided!

Lunch (choice of hamburger or hot dog plus drink) will be provided after the round.

Please fill out the following form and send to the address below by July 11.

Selena Cerra
1221 Crystal Lake Blvd,
Fell Township PA 18407

Any questions/concerns please call
Selena Cerra at 570-280-5026

Registration

Name: _____ Age: _____ T-Shirt Size: S M L XL

Name of Caddie: _____ Contact Number: _____

Address: _____

Special Notes about Participant: _____

Any extra donations made through sponsors will be given to the PLCTA



- I have my own clubs! I need clubs!

PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING:

In consideration of the acceptance of my application, I do hereby for myself; my heirs; executors and administrators waive, release and forever discharge Scott Greens Golf Club and its employees, officers and assigns of from claims for damages to person or property which may be sustained or occur during participation in tournament should any occur. I certify that the participant is in good physical condition, allowing him/her to participate in the tournament. I understand that any insurance claims will be filed with my personal insurance.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____