

Events for October 2008

FGCU 8th Annual Adaptive Sports Expo

Thursday October 2nd , Friday October 3rd , Saturday October 4th

October is National Disability Awareness Month so in an effort to raise awareness about disabilities the FGCU Division of Student Affairs and the Office of Adaptive Services would like to invite you to the 8th Annual Adaptive Sports Expo to be held at Florida Gulf Coast University. The Adaptive Sports Expo will take place starting:

- **Thursday, October 2- November 25th – FGCU Library Gallery**
Able Artists

Will be a showing of art work created by local artist with disabilities.

- **Thursday October 2nd 7:30 – FGCU Student Union Ballroom**
Artist / Speaker: Kevin Connolly

Will show his photographs and speak about his experiences as a person born without legs. You can check his work out at the following website. <http://www.therollingexhibition.com/index2.php>

- **Friday, October 3th 4:30 – 8:00 -FGCU Aquatic Center**
Caribbean Pool Party

We will have a party with pool games, arts & crafts as well as entertainment and dinner.

- **Saturday, October 4th 10:00 – 4:00 – FGCU Alico Arena & surrounding Athletic fields.**
Adaptive Sports Expo

Will be a day of sports and leisure activities such as water skiing, sailing, kayaking, rock climbing, wheelchair tennis and others sports. There will also be a vendor / information fair at Alico Arena

Professionally trained facilitators and athletes with disabilities will provide demonstrations and instruct participants in a variety of recreational and sporting activities. Attendees will be exposed to a variety of local service agencies, vendors and recreational opportunities via an informational expo that will take place in conjunction with the sports expo on Saturday.

Other information:

-Informal non-competitive environment

-Prior experience not required

-Excellent sports facilities

-Registration is free

-Registration @ Alico Arena

Contact information:

Adaptive Services

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Ft. Myers, FL 33965-6565

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3rd Annual Walk to Prevent Child Abuse

Sat. Oct. 11, 2008

Begins at 8:30 am (Reg. @ 7:30)

Pelican Preserve, Ft. Myers, FL

Point of Contact: Marie Olsen - Phone for more INFO: 239-226-1524

BUDDY WALK 2008 "NO FEES"

awareness walk for Down syndrome

(Family Pot Luck style PICNIC)

non fundraising event - economic friendly come celebrate friendship/community

October 11th 2008 walk begins 11:00am

Lakes Regional Park

7330 Gladiolus Drive, Ft Myers Florida 33908

Shelter C-1 check in - Friends of Riley Rocks B-4 - Children's programs A-8

CAPE CORAL BUDDY WALK (NO FEES)

October 11th, 2008 walk begins 6:00 PM

meet at Club Square - walking in conjunction/Columbus Day Parade

Mary Beth Pringle, VP

PODS Angels

(Parents of Down syndrome)

3422 SE 11th Place - Cape Coral, Florida 33904

Pringleclan@msn.com - www.podsangels.org

www.pringleadoptionjourney.blogspot.com

A Day in the Park with Celebrating Abilities Inc.

A gathering for families with children of all abilities

Sunday, October 12, 2008

@ 12pm at the playground/picnic area

Lakes Regional Park

7330 Gladiolus Dr, Fort Myers, FL 33908

Please RSVP and let us know what you can contribute

Any questions? Contact: Jacqui - 471-7334

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Provider Fair

October 25, 2008

Fair with guest speakers from 10-3, Dance for all to attend 3:30-5:30

Location: VFW

4709 SE 11th Place

Cape Coral, FL

Point of Contact: Aaron Nangle from Clear Choice

Phone: 727-841-8943

Activities and Event for the Center for Independent Living

Phone 277-1447 for more information

Wednesday, **Oct. 1** 2:00-4:00

Ticket to Work Orientation

Collier County One-Stop

215 Airport Pulling Road North, Naples, FL

Wednesday, **Oct. 8** 12:30-2:30

Board of Elections Visit-using the new voting machines

CIL of SW Florida

2321 Bruner Lane, Ft. Myers, FL

Friday, **Oct. 10** 3:00-4:30

Sensitivity Workshop

Immokalee Middle School, Immokalee, FL

Tuesday, **Oct. 14** 10:00-12:00

Ticket to Work Orientation

Ft. Myers Career and Service Center

4150 Ford St. Extension, Ft. Myers, FL

Friday, **Oct. 17** 11:00-12:00

Flu Prevention Workshop (Traveling Nurses Assoc.)

CIL of SW Florida

2321 Bruner Lane, Ft. Myers, FL

Monday, **Oct. 27** 1:00-3:00

Ticket to Work Orientation

Charlotte County One-Stop

19500 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL

Events for November

The Southwest Florida Walk Now for Autism planning committee is looking for day of walk volunteers to assist with set up, clean up, food and drink service, game supervision and more. The walk will be held on Saturday, **November 8, 2008** at Estero Community Park and benefits Autism Speaks.

Registration begins at 10 am and the walk begins at 11 am. Over 3,000 participants are expected. Individuals, civic groups, high school and college students are encouraged to participate as volunteers. For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, go to www.walknowforautism.org/southwestflorida, email swflorida@autismspeaks.org or call (866) 441-6227.