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RECORD BUDDY WALK RESULTS!

On an absolutely gorgeous, beautiful day in September, over 1,500 participants enjoyed the festivities at the 19th Annual DSANI Buddy Walk! We were thrilled to welcome new and returning families, friends and neighbors! This is our favorite day of the year...the day we get to celebrate the abilities and achievements of our loved ones with Down syndrome. Again this year, all honored walkers received a medal at the finish line; and children who finished the route were presented a ribbon for their efforts.

As you know, the Buddy Walk is also the largest fundraiser that DSANI undertakes. It is the one that sustains our organization from year to year. DSANI receives no local, state or federal money. It is Buddy Walk funds that allow the programs, services, outreach and advocacy efforts that families have come to appreciate, to continue. **We sincerely appreciate all of the families who take the time and effort to raise funds for the Buddy Walk! We are in awe of your hard work!**

This year, at the Buddy Walk, the top three fundraising teams were recognized during Opening Ceremonies. The team in third place was **Team Claire Bear – who raised \$3,810**. This was Team Claire Bear's FIRST Buddy Walk! They also took home the prize for most walkers for a new team – with over 75 walkers!

The second place team, **raising \$5,250, was Team Nolan!** This was Team Nolan's second Buddy Walk. Thank you so much for your outstanding efforts!

The **first place team, Chloe's Crew**, walking in their 13th Buddy Walk, **raised an AMAZING \$7,050!** We are humbled by your awesome efforts!

Besides the top 3 teams, there were an additional 12 teams who raised over \$1,000 each! We applaud you as well! We sincerely appreciate every team who raised any amount...every dollar counts! The efforts of team fundraising, corporate sponsors, silent auction and raffle proceeds combined to push us over our fundraising goal – making it the first time in DSANI history that the goal has been met!

In addition, Team Thomas won the prize for most walkers – returning team. Team Thomas had 65 walkers on their team!

Maddie's Rockstars and Team Sara Nunez won the prizes for Best Team Signs!

The Soul Brothers and Soul Sisters stole the show, yet again, as they performed during opening ceremonies, which took place this year on the field at Parkview Field. Always a hit, the Soul Brothers and Soul Sisters never fail to entertain and amaze with their dance talent.

In addition to a face painter (thank you Mystic Brush LLC), balloon artists (thank you GiGos), inflatables, games and crafts, there was also a silent auction and raffle drawing to enjoy. The dance party, which began at the conclusion of the walk route, was enjoyed by many (thank you to DSE – our loyal DJ's). There were 21 vendors present in the resource area, on hand to explain their agency's offerings to families who had questions. There was also an instrument petting zoo on hand so that kids could sample various instruments.

We would also like to thank our four volunteer event photographers, Kristin Bodkin, Matt Day, Heather Palmer and Lisa Teets for the outstanding pictures they captured during the Buddy Walk! If you'd like to view Buddy Walk pictures, you can go to: <http://dsani.shutterfly.com/>. Click on "Sign Up", complete your information, and click "Join Now". If you already have a Shutterfly account, simply

check into your account. You will have to be "approved" before you can view the photos (this for the safety of our families and their members). Once approved, you can view and/or purchase any photos you'd like.

The Buddy Walk would not be possible without a huge number of volunteers...and we THANK each and every one of you for everything you did before, during and after the Buddy Walk! Our planning committee did another outstanding job! We are also so grateful for steadfast, loyal community volunteers including scores of individuals, Indiana Tech wrestling and hockey teams, the Team Focus Youth Basketball program, IPFW cheerleaders, Trine University DPT and Huntington University OT programs and Manchester Pharmacy program volunteers. Thanks go out also to our princesses, the 501st Legion (Star Wars), the Fort Wayne MadAnts, and Johnny TinCap. You all ROCK!

The final thank you's go to our **GENEROUS** corporate sponsors and in-kind donors! We very much value the relationships we have with so many wonderful businesses in our community. Your support of DSANI and the Buddy Walk is a treasured gift!

Stay tuned for details about the **20th Annual DSANI Buddy Walk!** The 2018 Buddy Walk will take place on Saturday, **September 8th at Parkview Field** – mark your calendars now...you won't want to miss it! **If you'd like to join the 2018 Planning Committee...let us know – we'd love to have your help and ideas!**



Our Grand Marshal, Darbi!



Russ & Cinderella



Brandon receiving his medal!



Nolan & his daddy!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

We were so excited to hear from one of our families earlier this week. Mike shared with us about an exciting event that will take place this weekend, involving their son, Brenden! The paragraphs below (which will appear in a Fort Wayne newspaper on Friday), explain what is being done for Brenden at Baer Field Motorsports Park on Saturday, September 30...

"One reason why Dave Muzzillo is a successful race track promoter - and maybe one reason why he struggle at times - is that he's such a soft touch. He'll help anybody without a second thought - in other words he's just like any other driver.

This time he's gone even further out of his way with the help of buddy Mike Gerlock and some of the drivers at Baer Field Motorsports Park, and it's quite a story.

Every time Brenden K. comes to a race, he races up to Muzzillo to shake his hand and sometimes gets a hug. Brenden was born 16 years ago with Down syndrome, but he's a huge race fan who knows quite a few details about his favorite drivers, particularly Kyle Busch and, locally, Austin Coe.

Over the summer, Brenden and his father Mike travel to a race track almost every weekend. When Baer Field has not been running, they've attended Angola, Toledo, New Paris, Eldora, Kalamazoo, Winchester, Anderson and Muncie. Last year they went to Texas Motor Speedway to watch NASCAR events and this year to Kalamazoo to watch ARCA events cheering on Busch.

"As soon as we leave, it's like, 'Where are we going next week?' Mike K. said. "He knows his way to the race tracks, and is usually telling me which way to go."

Brenden's T-shirts are all from somewhere related to racing.

Even better, Brenden has his own mini-dirt track in the backyard of the family home south of Ossian. He started as a toddler on a Power Wheel and then advanced to a riding lawnmower and finally a four-wheeler which has worn a groove in the grass. He wore out his first one two years ago, but the second one is still going.

Brenden runs it any time the weather is decent usually after school and on weekends. It probably needs new tires, and father and son change the oil together each month to keep running in top order.

"Brenden has been driving something since he was 6 years old," Mike K. said. "It doesn't matter what time of year it is. That's what he's into. In the winter time you can't keep him inside because he'll go outside and run his four-wheeler. He'll ride until he's cold, come in and warm up and go out again. It's just been in his blood since he was little."

When the weather is really awful, Brenden will set up a race track in the living room for his more than 800 Match Box cars. Then he'll ask his dad what time he should race, they'll do an invocation and he'll sing the national anthem. Sometimes Brenden will record his singing on his iPad so he can stand at attention with his hand over his heart while he sings along.

Brenden is also extremely social and loves shaking hands with people as a greeter at his church, plus police officers in restaurants and race fans. In fact, when the family goes to the store, more people know Brenden than his parents.

Dave Muzzillo is a particular favorite for a hug and a special handshake, and one day Muzzillo had an epic idea. So while talking with him at a race, Dave said that

"I just asked him, 'Do you want to race, too?' " Muzzillo said. "His dad is like thinking you can't do this, but he could be the next Jeff Gordon, you never know. I've always believed that everybody has the right to do anything they want to do in life."

A few weeks ago Muzzillo put the word out on Facebook that he'd like to build a go-kart for Brenden and he asked for parts and donations. Within a few days, he had everything, including a helmet and a driving suit. He was even brash enough to ask Brenden and Mike to visit and put Brenden in the frame of the car to see if he could reach the pedals. There were no wheels yet, and Brenden didn't catch on.

He will this Saturday. Muzzillo and friends will present Brenden with the car at 6:30 p.m. in the straightaway, complete with a video message from Kyle Busch to Brenden.

"It will mean a million to him," Mike K. said. "I'm sure it's going to be very exciting."

Mike and his daughter have even made flags which they've

used in the backyard to make sure Brenden understands what they mean. Of course, he already did.

"Nobody really knew what the donations were for, they just knew it was just for something bigger than what we are," Muzzillo said. "We're going to make this boy's dream happen."



Brenden with Kyle "Rowdy" Busch's car earlier this summer.

Brenden...we are so excited for you! We can't wait to hear all about your big day on Saturday!

We'd LOVE to spotlight your family in an upcoming edition of the newsletter! Please send a bio of your family, and a recent family picture, and we'll take it from there. The next newsletter will be published in late December/early January. Please send your submission to administrator@dsani.org prior to December 27.

PREVENTIVE MEDICAL CARE

All people benefit from preventive medical care for maintaining health and well-being. This is especially true for people with Down syndrome. Medical researcher Leonard reported that from 1980 to 1996 the survival rate for infants with Down syndrome increased from below 50 percent to more than 90 percent. A different study from Yang showed that in 1983, the median age of death for a person with Down syndrome was 25 years, which increased to 49 years by 1997. The increased infant survival and longer life span is in large part due to better medical care including surgical correction of congenital heart disease, aggressive infection prevention and treatment, and screening and treatment of medical conditions commonly associated with Down syndrome.

Children and adults with Down syndrome should have yearly physical exams. All routine immunizations should be obtained including an annual flu shot. Infants born prematurely or with congenital heart disease are candidates for the Synagis immunization, which protects against serious respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infection during the winter season.

Down syndrome is associated with many medical conditions. Some have few recognizable symptoms, but may affect daily functioning or long-term health, so regular screening tests should be done. Hearing and vision screening are very important. Laboratory studies for thyroid disease, celiac disease and blood abnormalities are recommended.

Fortunately, very good guidelines for preventive medical care are readily available. The Down Syndrome Medical Interest Group (DSMIG) is a group of medical doctors who have a specific interest in Down syndrome. They created and regularly review and update health care guidelines.

The American Academy of Pediatrics also has guidelines that are available on their site. **Access the guidelines here:** <http://www.ndsccenter.org/wp-content/uploads/AAP-Health-Care-Information-for-Families-of-Children-with-Down-Syndrome.pdf>

Information about adult health care is available at the website for the Adult Down Syndrome Clinic at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. Before the next doctor's visit, download the guidelines to review them with the doctor. Good preventive medical care can make a big difference in the health and functioning of people with Down syndrome.

SLEEP STUDIES

People with Down syndrome may have issues with sleep apnea. If a physician suspects that sleep apnea could be an issue, they will most likely order a sleep study to confirm a diagnosis. These sleep studies can be traumatic, to nearly impossible, for a person with Down syndrome to complete.

There is a helpful guide to preparing your loved one for a sleep study, on the website for the Adult Down Syndrome Center at Advocate Lutheran General in Illinois. This clinic, led by Dr. Brian Chicoine, although not accepting new patients, is a treasure trove of information on a wide range of health care topics. You can access the sleep study document here:

https://www.advocatehealth.com/assets/documents/subsites/luth/downsyndrome/going_for_a_sleep_study.pdf.

SAVE THE DATE!

October is a busy month! The following are dates to add to your calendar:

10/1-31 Down Syndrome Awareness Month

10/3 Chipotle Night (2p – 8p) on Lima Road. 50% of your family's bill, when you show the flyer, will be donated back to DSANI! (see flyer attached)

10/5 InvestABLE Presentation, sponsored by DSANI, will be held at Life Community Church at 6:30 pm (see flyer attached)

10/7 DSANI Fall Fest @ Kuehnert Dairy Farm (RSVP to foustjs@gmail.com) 1 p – 5p (flyer attached)

10/19 Letter of Intent Workshop, at Turnstone, 6 pm – watch for details in your email! This is NOT a will or special needs trust workshop – but just as equally important

10/25 CASS Housing – back by popular demand, we will be holding another workshop, led by CASS founder, David Buuck. Come find out what all the excitement is about regarding this exciting opportunity.

10/28 DSANI & GiGi's are co-hosting our second annual Spooktacular at GiGi's Playhouse from 2 pm – 4 pm. More details to follow.

-12/3 DSANI Holiday Party

More information on these events, and others when they are added, will be available as the time approaches.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

There are a couple of very easy ways to give back to DSANI, without spending any "extra"...



TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM:

- Go to Kroger.com, and sign in to your account as usual.

- If you already have a Kroger card, go to the bottom of the page and find the **Community Rewards section**. Type in (or search after you type a couple of words), Down Syndrome Association of Northeast Indiana. After you select DSANI, a portion of your purchase will be given back to DSANI quarterly.
- You MUST renew your charity choice once a year.

• **IF YOU DON'T HAVE A KROGER CARD:**

- Click on Sign In/Register
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after your member(s) register their card(s).
- Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 800-576-4377, select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number.

Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.



Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of designated purchases back to DSANI! If you shop on Amazon.com, this is a great way to give back to DSANI!

To get started, just do the following:

- **Visit [amazonsmile.org](https://www.amazon.com/smile)**
- Log in to your existing Amazon account (or sign up for a new account, if you don't already have one)
- Go to "Select a Charitable Organization to Start Supporting"
 - Scroll down until you see the "Pick Your Own Charitable Organization" option
 - Type, Down Syndrome Association of Northeast Indiana
 - Click "Select"

From that point on, whenever you shop on Amazon, **go to [amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) FIRST**, and your purchases will then be eligible for a percentage to be given back to DSANI!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

OCTOBER IS DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH!

Because they were such a hit last year...we will again be posting a daily "DSANI STAR" profile, which will appear on our Facebook and Twitter pages and will be emailed to members!

We'd LOVE to profile YOUR DSANI star! If you'd like to see your loved one featured in a daily profile, simply do the following:

Email administrator@dsani.org and include a picture (.jpg format) of your loved one and a short bio telling us about your DSANI Star! *Profiles will be published in the order they are received.*

DSANI and GiGi's are also collaborating on additional recognition for Down Syndrome Awareness Month! Details to follow!

ADVOCACY CORNER

Are you interested in public policy and actions you can take? If so, you can learn more about how you can be involved in Indiana public policy. Please consider joining the Indiana Advocacy Facebook group. You can join at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/519893051519032>.

There are a number of ways to become more involved in advocacy matters! Whether it's being involved in the Buddy Walk on Washington, where you meet with federal lawmakers; bringing Down syndrome awareness & acceptance to schools and the community; advocating for your student, etc., there are a myriad of ways to let YOUR community know how important issues that affect your family are to you. Please join us as we move forward on this very important endeavor.

In a nutshell, advocacy boils down to this...**TELL YOUR STORY!!**

PARENT BLOGS

Do you have parent blogs that you enjoy? Our Outreach Chair, Annie Miller, is compiling an updated list of blogs for new parents! If there are blogs that have helped in your parenting journey, please share them with Annie! Her email address is: anmerrick@gmail.com.

FOURTH QTR. PROGRAMMING

PLEASE NOTE – *Details about all events will be emailed to you prior to each event.*

MOMS ACTIVITIES

- **Sunday, October 15** 2 – 5 pm @ Board & Brush in Huntertown
- **Thursday, November 30 – 6:30 pm** Dinner at a location TBD.

More information will be forthcoming on both events – be sure and watch your email! Contact kathywhitemandsani@gmail.com for additional details.

ALL DSANI HOLIDAY PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 1 p – 4 pm @ Scout Park Conference Center.

Details will follow in early November, but mark your calendars now and plan to join us! There will be games, crafts, food and dancing! This is a great chance to connect (or re-connect) with DSANI friends, in an atmosphere where parents can relax while volunteers entertain the kids!

Would you like to help plan the party? If so, contact the DSANI office at administrator@dsani.org. We'd love to have the help!

SOCIAL GROUPS ROUNDUP

INFANT/TODDLER PLAYGROUP – Playgroup dates will be emailed (and will appear on the DSANI Infant/Toddler Facebook page) as they become available. If you have ideas for Playgroup activities, please contact: administrator@dsani.org.

BUDDY CLUB – Stacey Foust is busy heading up the DSANI Day at Kuehnert Farm (October 7). **THANK YOU**

STACEY!!! For more Buddy Club information, please contact Stacey Foust at foustjs@gmail.com.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB – the Friendship/Self-Advocate Fall Dance will take place on November 10. More details as the time gets closer.

SELF-ADVOCATES – The self-advocates will gather on September 30 for a hayride and bonfire! A good time is sure to be had by all!

AREA NEWS OF INTEREST

TURNSTONE

Turnstone is looking to replace their program director for their intellectual disability programs. The person previously in the position left to attend grad school.

DSANI will also email out the Turnstone quarterly schedule of classes as well, when it is received. There are a large number of offerings for different ages and interests.

DOWN SYNDROME ORGANIZATION WEBSITES

National Down Syndrome Society – www.ndss.org

National Down Syndrome Congress – www.ndsccenter.org

DS-Connect: The Down Syndrome Registry – www.dsconnect.nih.gov

LuMind Research Down Syndrome Foundation – www.lumindfoundation.org

Global Down Syndrome Foundation – www.globaldownsyndrome.org

2017 DSANI MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

2017 Membership renewal forms will be emailed and sent to DSANI families in the next few weeks. Please

remember, we have no way of knowing if your email address, mailing address, phone number, etc. changes unless we have an updated form on file. Not sure if your membership is current? Contact the DSANI office (administrator@dsani.org) and we'll let you know!

While we request that the membership fee is paid each year, this will be critical once the improved website and data management program is up and running. There will be sections of the website that will require members to have a password in order to gain access. The password will only be given out if you are a member in good standing. You must also be a current member to be able to register your loved one for Camp Red Cedar in the summer.

WE WELCOME YOUR INPUT!

If you have information you think would be helpful to families, and should be included in the newsletter, please forward it to the DSANI office at: administrator@dsani.org

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

Do you, or someone you know, have a business that they would like to advertise in the DSANI newsletter? If so, please contact: s.yoder@dsani.org for more information.

STAY CONNECTED TO DSANI!

Mailing address: PO Box 13611, Fort Wayne, IN 46865

Physical address: 3320 N. Clinton Street – Fort Wayne
(Turnstone)

Phone: (260) 471-9964

Email: administrator@dsani.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/dsanortheastindiana/

Twitter: @DSANI4U

HAPPY FALL!!



CAUSE AN EFFECT

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Down Syndrome Association of Northeast Indiana. Come in to the Chipotle at **6175 Lima Road** in Ft Wayne on **Tuesday, October 3rd** between **2:00 pm and 8:00 pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Down Syndrome Association of Northeast Indiana.



If placing an order online during your fundraiser, please note you must choose the pay in-store option and inform our cashier of your participation before paying. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

SAVE THE DATE!

InvestABLE - Indiana's ABLE program is now ready to
accept accounts!



&



are pleased to present an InvestABLE workshop

on

Thursday, October 5

6:30 pm

at

Life Community Church

(7222 W. Jefferson Blvd. - Fort Wayne)

Join us as we welcome Kim Dodson, Indiana ARC Executive Director and a representative from the ARC Master Trust, as they answer questions, and provide information about Indiana ABLE accounts and how you can begin an ABLE account for your loved one!

Please RSVP to:
administrator@dsani.org
by October 2nd



Experience Farm Life

While Creating Memories

Kuehnert Dairy Farm
6532 West Cook Rd. Fort Wayne, IN 46818
(260) 417-1918
www.kuehnertdairy.com



Who: All DSANI families are invited! All ages!

Where: Kuehnert Dairy Farm

When: Saturday, October 7 from 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

What:

- Activities on the farm: 5-acre corn maze, straw mountain to climb, corn pit play area, corn hole games, tire swing, holy cow football, pumpkin checkers, hayrides, fire pits, pumpkin painting, moo-go-round, tether ball, nutrition station, milk bottle bowling, educational activities, children's activities and farm tours led by the staff.
- Visit the free-stall barn, where the cows spend their time and eat. Learn how baby calves are cared for, view modern farm machinery, and watch the robotic technology milking the cows.
- For sale (at your own cost) soft serve ice cream, hot dogs, grilled cheese sandwiches, and ice cold milk.
- Enjoy a smore' while sitting around a bonfire

Print off the attached flier and bring it with you on the day of the event. Hand the flier to the admissions tent. They will count heads and DSANI will pay the bill. (\$6.00 per person and 2 and under is free)

Then head into the festival. We will have a private barn at the end of the field to meet, greet, and visit. We are having a carry in. We would like to serve hot and cold food items. Some ideas: chili, soup, crock pot hot dogs, fruit, veggies, and desserts. Please bring a snack/food item to share. I am also looking for people to bring a cooler filled with ice and either water, pop, or juice. We will have the bottom level of the barn, food, and drinks and two bomb fire pits to enjoy together. Just feed the fire and enjoy! Someone can bring smores! We are looking for a fun-filled fall family event together! Hope to see you there!

When you RSVP please tell me who is coming (full names) and what food/drink item you plan to bring. I will try to make sure all food/drink items are covered. If you want to bring smores please bring all needed items. They will have the skewers there for us. I will bring all paper products.

RSVP to foustjs@gmail.com, so we know how many are attending and can plan for food accordingly.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017 DSANI FAMILY EVENT



Kuehnert Dairy Farm Fall Festival

-5 ACRE CORN MAZE --
STRAW MOUNTAIN -
CORN PIT PLAY AREA

-HAYRIDES

-ROBOTIC MILKING
FACILITY

-FARM TOURS

-PUMPKINS

-BABY CALVES

-TILE SWING

-MILK TRUCK EXPRESS

-HOLYCOW FOOTBALL

-MOO-GO-ROUND

-TETHER BALL

- JUMP PAD

Please present this
flyer at the Festival
admission tent-DSANI
members only.

Kuehnert Dairy Farm

6532 West Cook Rd
Ft. Wayne, IN 46818

Saturday, October 7, 2017
1-5pm



It's Who We Care For!

Byron Health Center Trunk-O-Treat
 Presented by HTS Healthcare Therapy Services
 Thursday, October 26th | 5:00-7:00 p.m.
 12101 Lima Rd, Fort Wayne

Presented by
HTS
 your partner
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 enterprises
PRO STRIP
 PROFESSIONAL METAL REFINISHING, INC.

BYRON
 HEALTH CENTER

Trunk-O-Treat
 Thursday, October 26th
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

What can be better than cars and candy bars?

How about hot chocolate, popcorn and a scary movie? There will even be a campfire roaring in the fire pit. Kids will enjoy the straw bale maze and lots of candy and treats.

LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH PRESENTS...



A SAFE & FUN PLACE FOR EVERYONE!

WHEN? SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH
5:30 – 7:30 PM

WHERE? LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
PARKING LOT
7222 W. JEFFERSON BLVD.
FORT WAYNE, IN 46804

WHY? TO PROVIDE PARENTS A SAFE & FUN
PLACE FOR THEIR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES!

WHO? CHILDREN OF ALL AGES DRESSED
IN CREATIVE AND NON-SCARY COSTUMES!

PLEASE COME JOIN US FOR AN EVENING
FULL OF FREE FUN!

**2017 DSANI
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

| | <u>EVENT</u> | <u>PLACE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>FOR MORE INFO</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <u>OCTOBER</u> | | | | |
| 1 - 31 | DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH | | | |
| 2 | Chipotle Night | Lima Road Location | 2 p – 8 p | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 5 | InvestABLE Plan Presentation | Life Community Church | 6:30 p | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 7 | DSANI Fall Fest | Kuehnert Dairy Farm | 1 p - 5 p | foustjs@gmail.com |
| 10 | Board Meeting | Turnstone | 6 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 15 | MOMS – Board & Brush | Huntertown | 2 pm – 5 pm | kathywhitemandsani@gmail.com |
| 19 | Letter of Intent Workshop | Turnstone | 6 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 25 | CASS Housing Presentation | Turnstone | 6 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 26 | D.A.D.S. | TBD | | dsani.dads.outreach@gmail.com |
| 26 | Byron Health Trunk or Treat | Byron Health – 12101 Lima Road | 5 p – 7 pm | |
| 28 | DSANI/GiGi's Spooktacular | GiGi's Playhouse | 2 pm – 4 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 28 | Life Community Church Trunk or Treat | 7222 W. Jefferson Blvd. | 5:30 – 7:30 pm | |
| <u>NOVEMBER</u> | | | | |
| 10 | Self-Advocate/Friendship Fall Dance | Aboite Community Room | | kmmeeks@aol.com |
| 14 | Board Meeting | Turnstone | 6 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 29 | MOMS | TBD | 6:30 pm | kathywhitemandsani@gmail.com |
| <u>DECEMBER</u> | | | | |
| 3 | All DSANI Holiday Party | Scout Park Conf. Center | 1 - 4 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |
| 12 | Board Meeting | TBD | 6 pm | DSANI Office - administrator@dsani.org |

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FOR MORE INFO

Speakers, activities and other events will be added to the calendar as dates and details are confirmed. Check your email often!