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Winter 2009-2010

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Please congratulate CDC's winning soccer team as they fly off to Nebraska to compete at the Special Olympic National Games, July 18-23, 2010. Coach Paula Bewley and her team (Michael Boggs, Collan Burgess, Jahleel Faust, Joey Henderson, Joe Primera, Steve Riehl, Lisa Robinson, Kristine Stout, Chris Tammaro, and Travis Walls) earned a gold medal at Fall Festival in Division 1 soccer. We wish them the best!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

- Winter Games– Johnstown, PA
Sun.-Tues. Feb.21-23(tentative)
- Basketball Skills Competition-Sts Phillip & James
Saturday March 20th, 1:30-3:30
- Basketball Team Tournament– Downingtown East Gym
Sunday March 21st, 12n-5pm
- Bowling Sectionals, Allentown
Saturday April 10th,2010(tentative)
- Eastern Spring Sectionals– Kutztown University
Saturday May 1st,2010

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SPORT	LOCATION	TIME	CONTACT
Basketball	Gen Wayne Elementary	Wednesdays 7:30-9pm starts 1/6/10	Glenn Griffen 610-209-0995/ Suzanne Minnick suzminnick@aol.com
Basketball	Sts. Phillip & James Exton	Sundays 1-2:15pm starts 1/17/10	Jim Curcio 610-430-8079
Basketball	Avon Grove HS	Sundays 1-3pm Starts 1/10/10	Tony Carney 484-888-3419
Basketball	East Vincent Elementary School	Saturdays 10a-12n Start 1/9/10	Sandy Arasin 610-970-1742 bldream-catcher@cavtel.net
Basketball	CDC	Tuesdays 3-4:30pm starts 1/26/10	Paula Bewley 610-383-7400,ext.220 paulabe@cciu.org
Gymnas-tics	TBD	TBD	Christy Taylor
Ice Skating (open & figure)	Power Play Exton, PA	Saturdays 3:30-5p Starts 1/9/10 runs for 8 weeks	Cathy Stein BRING COPY OF MEDICAL
Ice Skating (speed & figure)	Ice Line Lawrence Dr West Goshen	Tues. & Wed. 9:30-11am Starts Jan. 5&6	Sue Lapin 610-496-6904 sue@LapinSystems.com
Skiing ** (downhill, cross country & snow shoeing) MUST preregister	Bear Creak	Thursdays 1/8/10 (downhill) 1/14/10(sno-shoe & xcountry)	Angie Robinson 610-431-2098
Swimming (Lap)	West Chester YMCA	Saturdays, starting in Feb. Call Angie for info	Paula Bewley 610-383-7400 ext.220 paulabe@cciu.org
Swimming (lap & instructional)	Brandywine YMCA	Wed.s @ 3:15 Call Heather for start date.	Heather 610-659-0430
Swimming	OJR MS pool	Sat. 3/13-5/8/10 10a-12n	Rachel Arasin rachybabi6@comcast.net 610-326-5599

Thank You
Special thanks to Wicks Sporting Goods in Exton. They have generously donated ski rentals to us for this season. Hopefully our skiers will have lots of snow to put that equipment to good use!

Chester County Special Olympics is solely run by volunteer efforts. If you have time to offer, you may assist the organization in office help, coaching, donations, event planning, etc. Do not be shy, we could use your help!



Do you think you have what it takes to be a coach? There's a training session March 6th in Kutztown. You must be registered by Feb 12th to attend. Let us know if you're interested.



Swimming
 Please note, the lap swimming at West Chester Y is only appropriate for those who can already swim independently. If you have questions about your swimmers ability level contact Angie Robinson at 610-431-2098 or angie.robinson@robinsonsales.com. There is lap & instructional swimming at the Brandywine Y. For that program, contact Heather 610-659-0430.

Thanks to O'Grady's Restaurant in Phoenixville for donating to us a part of one day's proceeds as well as the revenue from raffling some great gift baskets. Maybe you were lucky enough to have won a basket!



Again we are grateful for the generosity of the Valor Bowl Organizers who donated \$35,000 to help us continue this program. That money goes directly to support the Special Olympic athletes of Chester County. The 2010 Valor Bowl will be held at Great Valley High School in May 2010. Please plan to attend and cheer on your senior high school All Stars.

At this time, the skiing program is full. Please note that we **do not** offer "handicapped" skiing. We don't have the equipment or the coaches. If you have questions, contact Paula Bewley at paulabe@cciu.org

The annual Track & Field event in Coatesville will be held Friday May 7th with a rain date of the 10th. This year we may try to split the event to two different venues because it has gotten so large. Please check our web site for any changes.

MEDICAL FORMS
 Please make sure you have a current medical form to give to your coach at your first practice. Medical forms are required to participate in Special Olympics. Medicals are valid for 3 years from the date of the doctors signature. Please keep a copy for yourself.

Websites for people with intellectual & other disabilities:
The ARC of Chester County- www.arcofchestercounty.org
National Down Syndrome Society- www.ndss.org
Chester County Down Syndrome Interest Group- www.ccdsig.org
National Autism Association- www.nationalautismassociation.org
Residential Living Options- www.residentiallivingoptions.org
Camphill Soltane- <http://camphillsoltane.org>
Brian's House- www.brianshouse.org
Center for Law & Education- www.cleweb.org
Handicrafters- www.handi-crafters.org

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 Remember: You may specify for United Way contributions to be allocated to "Special Olympics Pennsylvania, Chester County". United Way of Southeastern PA, please specify Agency Number 07572. Thank you!