



The Independence Foundation

Helping individuals with physical disabilities live independent and self directed lives.

2220 Hall Road, Elma, NY 14059

716-685-3976

Spring Newsletter

Darius Goes West Friday, April 18th (see flyer)

Tour of Accessible Homes Sunday, April 13th

Call Chris for more information. Seven homes with unique accessibility features will be on the tour – limited space – call if you are interested in seeing the modifications made in these homes.

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Power Wheelchair Soccer

Spring schedule is as follows:

Southtowns:

Elma Boys & Girls Club
2080 Girdle Rd, Elma, NY
Sun, April 20 4 – 6 PM
Sat April 26 Rec Expo Demo
(see flyer)
Sun May 4 4 – 6 PM
Sun May 18 4 – 6 PM
Sun June 8 4 – 6 PM
Sun June 22 4 – 6 PM



Northtowns:

Boys & Girls Club
325 Franklin St. Tonawanda
Sat, April 5 10AM - noon
Sat, April 19 10AM - noon

Anyone, any age in a power wheelchair can play - for more information visit www.TheIndependenceFoundation.org or call Chris at 685-3976

Manual Wheelchair Collection – May 19 – 23 9AM – 5PM

If you have a manual wheelchair that you would like to donate to help children in other counties - drop off at Hamburg Wesleyan Church, 4999 McKinley Parkway, Hamburg, NY 14075 or call Chris to make arrangements at 685-3976.

Mom's Only:

For mothers of children and young adults with physical disabilities, and also for young adult & adult women with physical disabilities. All are informal gatherings where we share ideas, concerns, and life! All events are pay your own way.

Wednesday, April 30th

Spa Nite! 6PM - 9PM

You soooooo deserve this!

Book a facial, manicure, pedicure, massage, and/or hair treatment while we catch up and enjoy Free wine & cheese! Pay your own way - prices on their website. Call Chris 685-3976 now to schedule - as the times fill up fast! at The Spa at Falling Waters, Orchard Park

3385 Orchard Park Road

Orchard Park, NY 14127

http://www.spaatfallingwaters.com/spa_tour.php3



Coming Soon...

The Walk for Independence will be Saturday, July 12th – This is our annual fundraiser – it provides the necessary funding to continue our programs. Come and support Independence for All! Registration available on our website now! www.TheIndependenceFoundation.org

New Bowling Dates coming in May.

Did you Know....

As I acquire information that may be helpful - I will send it out as **Did You Know** items. Here is the first installment! Feel free to share the info! To get on my e-mail list call me.

Transportation Did you Know:

- There is a group working on **employment related transportation** (as we all know there are currently limited options)

If you are in need of **employment related** transportation - you should call Cassie at 505-5546 They do not provide transportation - but are collecting data in the hopes of offering options in the future. **Please call to get your "data" on the list!**

- **If you are in need of a Wheelchair accessible van rental - Fenton Mobility offers them.** They service the Buffalo area. They also produce the Disabled Dealer magazine - it includes accessible vehicles and equipment for sale, and includes news & events for individuals with disabilities. You can get on their mailing list for free. **Contact Mary Grabalski (716) 484-7014 Fenton Mobility, 1209 East Second St, Jamestown, New York 14701**

- **The Independence Foundation offers a Transportation Program** if you are unable to use other options – call Chris for more information. This is for social and recreation transportation and wheelchair users under age 62 who can't use paratransit. More info & application on website

Next Did You Know will be about insurance and taxes.