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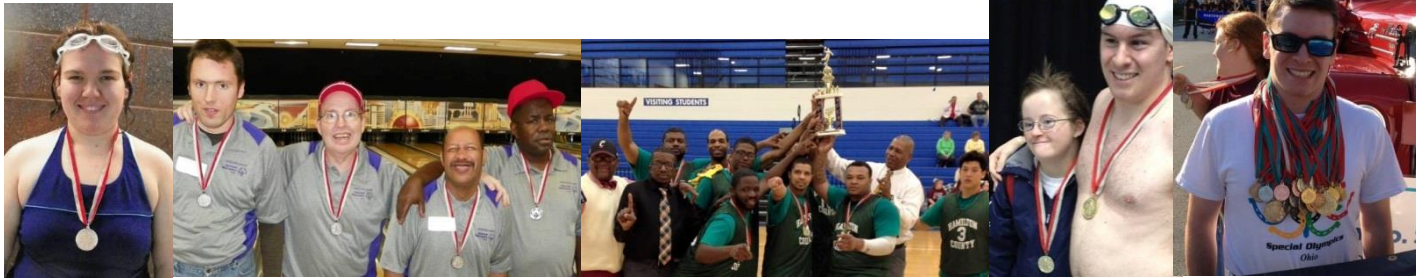


A message from SOHC Board President, Anne Knodle



This issue of the Torchbearer is devoted to recognizing and thanking the many supporters of Special Olympics Hamilton County. With your support we are able to offer 24+ different recreational and sporting activities to over 1800 athletes in Hamilton County. We welcomed 125 new athletes to our programs and have made new contacts in the Deer Park, Roselawn and Taft schools. With the addition of new athletes comes the knowledge of the joy and accomplishments that will be achieved, the friendships that will be made and the medals that will be won.

This year we welcome FC Cincinnati and 84.51 as supporters of SOHC. We look forward to our collaboration with them on fundraising activities and sporting events. Stay tuned to our web site to see all the latest activities.



Special Olympics Hamilton County Staff Profile: Lindsay Bartsch

Lindsay has been involved in volunteering and the special needs community almost her entire life. She began helping early on with the intervention specialists after school. These experiences grew her hobbies into a passion she set her career goals around. She engaged on this love by volunteering with organizations such as Special Olympics, Down Syndrome Association, TOPSoccer, and Cincinnati Therapeutic Riding and Horsemanship throughout high school.



After graduation from Milford High School, Lindsay attended the University of Cincinnati where she studied in the College of Allied Health Sciences. During her years at UC, Lindsay was a Resident Advisor, where she planned and implemented programs for the freshman students in her residence hall. Lindsay also was an active member of the Women's Club Soccer team, an assistant coach for Walnut Hills High School soccer team, and a full-time employee with Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center in the Occupational and Physical Therapy department. She graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 2015 with a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science and a minor in Psychology.

Lindsay is excited to bring her dedication of sports and working with special needs together to help Special Olympics Hamilton County grow and flourish. Sharing her true passion with volunteers and others, Lindsay is striving to provide the utmost support to her staff and the athletes every day.

Feel free to contact Lindsay if you are interested in learning more or getting involved. You can call the SOHC office at 513-271-2606 or email her directly at lbartsch@zoomtown.com.

The Envelope

In this, and every, newsletter you will see a solicitation envelope. Realize that donations made, in this envelope only, go directly to Special Olympics Hamilton County. We have exciting growth and program plans for 2016-2017 and with your help, we can bring these plans to fruition!

A few of the 24+ SOHC programs your donation will continue to foster.



Soccer Training Day



Arts Show



Competitive Basketball



Volleyball



Winter Games



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Each envelope represents an opportunity for SOHC to further our mission. **Pass it along** to someone who may be able to give a donation!

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Special Olympics Hamilton County wishes to acknowledge everyone who has contributed financially or in-kind to the success of our organization.

We are pleased to present our list of donors from 2015. These individuals, organizations, and companies have contributed to the support of Special Olympics Hamilton County between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015. Please know how much the board, staff, and athletes appreciate your generosity. Your financial help has allowed us to continue to serve 1,800 mentally and developmentally challenged athletes. They all thank you! We hope you will find your name. If, inadvertently, we have omitted or misspelled your name, organization name, or company name, please call the SOHC office at 513-271-2606 so that we can correct any errors. Again, thank you so much for your generosity.

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