



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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NewsBits

Community Star Awards

The 2015 Community Star Awards will be held on Wednesday, October 7 at Villa Milano. Over 500 are registered to help us celebrate the extraordinary achievements of 14 individuals and organizations. We will also be recognizing Michael F. Curtin, former President of the Columbus Dispatch, for his consistent support over the years. The program will begin promptly at 6:30pm.

Patrice Palmer

We are sorry to report that staff member Patrice Palmer passed away on September 25. Pat was a wonderful person who worked at West Central School. A memorial service will be held at Diehl-Whittaker Funeral Home on October 17.

PAR/Synergy Conference

The PAR/OSDA Synergy Conference will be held on October 7-9 at the Dublin Embassy Suites. This conference joins self-advocates, professionals and family members for a series of excellent presentations. For details, go to www.synergyohio.org.

Unified Special Olympics Soccer Team

The FCBDD Unified Special Olympics Soccer team will travel to New York City to compete after a professional soccer game between the Columbus Crew and the New York Red Bulls on October 3. Part of the Special Olympics game is also expected to be on ESPN. The trip is being paid for by ESPN, Major League Soccer and the Ohio Special Olympics. The Crew game begins at 7:00pm.

Tim Shriver Visit

Tim Shriver, Chairman of International Special Olympics, visited the FCBDD Early Childhood Education program on September 24. He was impressed with the inclusive services being provided in conjunction with Head Start and plans to share his observations with others. Tim's mother, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, began Special Olympics and his father, Sargent Shriver, established the Head Start and Peace Corps programs.

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