

**City of Bloomington**  
**COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY**  
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**Bloomington Observes Disability Awareness & Accessibility Awareness Months!**

**Calendar of Events**

**March 2012**

**April 2012**

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**March 1st – 31st**

**"Early Intervention Appreciation Month"**

Bloomington Mayor Mark Krusan has proclaimed March to be "Early Intervention Appreciation Month." Show your support for therapists, educators, service coordinators, and others who serve children with disabilities from birth to age three.

If you know where early intervention has had a positive impact upon someone, show your appreciation! Write a letter to the editor of your paper. Contact your legislators and tell them how important First Steps and similar programs are. Write a letter thanking a therapist and inviting him or her to the "Celebrating Abilities Resource Fair" on March 3rd, where early interventionists will be recognized (see below). For information: Cyndi Johnson, 812-720-9603 or [info@downsyndromeconnection.org](mailto:info@downsyndromeconnection.org).

**Thursday, March 1st Accessibility Online Webinar: "2010 ADA Standards"**

On or after March 15, 2012, the 2010 ADA Standards must be used for all new construction or alterations to facilities covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act. This webinar will familiarize attendees with the new standards and changes from 1991 standards.

Accessibility specialists from the U.S. Access Board will focus on frequently asked questions about the 2010 ADA Accessibility Standards and other areas where guidance is often requested. The webinar will be held from 2:30 – 4:00 pm, and is free. However, you must first register online at <http://www.accessibilityonline.org>. For information: Matt Norris, 812-855-6508 or [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu).

**Thursday, March 1st**

**"Disability Awareness Fair"**

IUB's Office of Disability Services is sponsoring an interactive event exploring disabilities and resources available at IU and in the community. The Fair will feature information displays, student art and writings, adaptive technology demos, and more. It will be held in the lobby of the Wells Library from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. For information: DSS, 812-855-7578 or [iubdss@indiana.edu](mailto:iubdss@indiana.edu).

**Saturday, March 3rd**

**"Celebrating Abilities Resource Fair"**

Celebrate Disability Awareness as the Down Syndrome Family Connection goes "On Safari" for its annual "Celebrating Abilities Resource Fair." Fun for kids and the whole family! The Fair, from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm at Sherwood Oaks Christian Church, features live animal entertainment and safari fun, and more than 40 exhibitors with products and services for persons with disabilities. There will be break-out sessions on a variety of topics. Free and open to the public, but attendees are invited to bring animal care products as donations (e.g., pet food or treats, Neosporin, white Carefresh bedding, gift cards for animal supplies, heating pads, vaporizers, cotton balls, paper towels, Dawn with bleach or liquid bleach, etc.). For information: Cyndi Johnson, 812-720-9603 or [info@downsyndromeconnection.org](mailto:info@downsyndromeconnection.org).

**Saturday, March 3rd**

**"Kiwaniis Aktion Club Talent Show"**

Come support your local Kiwanis Family of Clubs and see them perform for residents of Bell Trace. This event is free and open to the public. The show will be held from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Bell Trace, 800 North Bell Trace Circle.

**Tuesday, March 6th**

**Disability Awareness Film Series:  
*The King's Speech***

This film will be shown at the IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street, at 7:00 pm, sponsored by Disability Services for Students and the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences. Tickets are free, but required. You can pick them up at the IU Auditorium box office during regular hours or 30 minutes prior to an IU Cinema screening. For information: IU Cinema, 812-856-2503 or iucinema@indiana.edu.

**Thursday, March 8th**

**"Parent Connections for Independence"**

The monthly meeting of this support group for parents of adults with disabilities will be held at St. Mark's Church at 7:00 pm. The group meets the second Thursday each month, alternating monthly presentations with parent discussions. For information: Vonnie Peischl, vpeischl@indiana.edu, or Suzie Rimstidt, 812-332-1916 or sicilmonroe@msn.com.

**Saturday & Sunday, March 10th & 11th**

***I Am You***

Stone Belt and the Bloomington Playwrights Project present *I Am You*, a series of dramatic monologues written and performed by individuals with disabilities. There will be a Talk-Back experience and reception after the Saturday performance. Also, the Stone Belt Art Gallery at the BPP will be open during performances, which take place at the BPP, 107 W. 9th Street, at 7:00 pm on Saturday and 2:30 pm on Sunday. Tickets are available at the Buskirk-Chumley Box Office. Tickets are \$20 for Saturday and \$15 for Sunday. For information: Amy Jackson, 812-332-2168, Ext. 314, or ajackson@stonebelt.org.

**Tuesday, March 13th**

**"IUB Disability Roundtable"**

This monthly meeting of the Disability Roundtable will be from 3:00 until 5:00 pm at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, Building L. The mission of the Roundtable is to promote full participation of people with disabilities in the IU community. Members of the Roundtable include those on campus who have interests in disability-related issues. The Roundtable provides a forum for exchanging ideas and resources about disability-related topics and proactively supporting the University's inclusion and accessibility policies. For information:

Alice Voigt, 812-856-4422, ajvoigt@indiana.edu, or Sharon Hauss, 812-855-6508, sahauss@indiana.edu. Visit the Roundtable website: www.disabilityroundtable.indiana.edu.



**Sally Conway, director of Americans with Disabilities Act Technical Assistance with the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, presents at the 2011 Council for Community Accessibility's Annual Awards Ceremony.**

**Wednesday, March 14th**

**Accessible University:  
"Faculty Perspectives on Accessibility"**

This event hosted by IU's Disability Roundtable will feature faculty members sharing classroom accommodations for their students with disabilities. The presentation will be held in the Dogwood Room of the Indiana Memorial Union from Noon – 1:00 pm. For information: Alice Voigt, 812-856-4422 or ajvoigt@indiana.edu.

**Thursday, March 15th**

**"Natalie's Night at Nick's"**

During the evening the Council for Community Accessibility will benefit from "Natalie's Night" at Nick's English Hut on Kirkwood Avenue. 10% of dinner and drinks served in the back room plus all servers' tips will be donated to the CCA.

**Monday, March 19th**

**American Council for the Blind Meeting**

The monthly meeting of Bloomington's Chapter of the American Council for the Blind will be held at 7:00 pm at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. Meetings occur on the third Monday of each month. For information: Barbara Salisbury, barbara.salisbury@att.net.

**Tuesday, March 20th**

**ADA Audio Conference:  
"No Pets Allowed: Service Animals and Postsecondary Institutions"**

Recent revisions to regulations implementing Titles II and III of the ADA have increased focus on service animals in a variety of settings. Postsecondary institutions face unique challenges around these issues regarding service animals in student housing, classrooms and public spaces. This audio conference will explore scenarios that often play out in postsecondary education and discuss the interplay between laws governing non-discrimination in housing versus equal access to programs and services. Join this panel of presenters for a discussion and engage in an interactive question and answer period. This free audio conference will be hosted by the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community in Building L from 2:00 – 3:30 pm. For information: Matt Norris, 812-855-6508 or adainfo@indiana.edu.

**Tuesday, March 20th**

**Disability Awareness Film Series:  
*What's Eating Gilbert Grape?***

This film will be shown at the IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street at 7:00 pm, sponsored by Disability Services for Students. Tickets are free, but required. Pick them up at the IU Auditorium box office during regular hours or 30 minutes prior to an IU Cinema screening. For information: IU Cinema, 812-856-2503 or iucinema@indiana.edu.



### Wednesday, March 21st

#### "World Down Syndrome Day"

If you've been touched by Down syndrome, join the Down Syndrome Family Connection for a "pitch-in" dinner at Ellettsville Christian Church from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. For information: Cyndi Johnson, 812-720-9603 or [info@downsyndromeconnection.org](mailto:info@downsyndromeconnection.org)

### Wednesday, March 21st

#### ADA Legal Webinar: "Olmstead Planning: Litigation, Collaboration, & the All Important Financial Calculation"

This webinar will address budget planning for litigation, policy making, and Olmstead planning. The presenter will cover a hybrid approach of litigation and working with policy makers to affect change. The webinar will occur between 2:00 – 3:30 pm, using an accessible online conferencing system. The webinar is free, but you must register at <http://www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/ADALegal/>. For information: Matt Norris, 812-855-6508 or [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu).

### Tuesday, March 22nd

#### "Way to Go" Travel Training

Bloomington Transit hosts free individual and group travel training sessions to teach people to use city buses. Sessions are typically held the fourth Thursday each month. Additional classes can be arranged. Interested persons or groups must RSVP. For information: Eli McCormick, Customer Service Manager, [mccormick@bloomingtontransit.com](mailto:mccormick@bloomingtontransit.com).

### March 23rd - March 29th

#### Ivy Tech - Bloomington: "Celebrating Community"

Disability Awareness Month activities will take place in the 2nd floor rotunda at Ivy Tech Community College, 200 Daniels Way, from March 23rd through March 29th. This year's theme features a diverse group of people – different ages, ethnicities, and abilities – talking and interacting in a city park. The unique illustration style and message encourages everyone to ignite community spirit by getting involved in the communities where they live and work. Materials are sponsored by Duke Energy and resources are provided by Ivy Tech - Bloomington students. The public is invited to this free event. For information: Sue Gauck, 812-330-6046 or [sgauck@ivytech.edu](mailto:sgauck@ivytech.edu).

### Monday, March 26th

#### "What is Your Disability?"

Bring your lunch and have a snack on us! Listen to panelists answer questions about their lives with disabilities. Ask what you've always wondered about. Sponsored by the Council for Community Accessibility and Ivy Tech Community College.

It will be held at Ivy Tech Community College in Lamkin Hall from Noon until 2:00 pm. For those needing an interpreter or accommodations: Craig Brenner one week in advance at 812-349-3471 or [brennerc@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:brennerc@bloomington.in.gov).

### Monday, March 26th

#### City of Bloomington Council for Community Accessibility

The monthly meeting of the City of Bloomington Council for Community Accessibility (CCA) will be held from 4:00 – 5:30 pm at City Hall in the McCloskey Conference Room #135. The meeting is open to all who are interested in making Bloomington a more accessible city. For information: Craig Brenner, 812-349-3471 or [brennerc@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:brennerc@bloomington.in.gov).



Byron Smith presents Vicki Pappas with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2011 CCA Awards Ceremony.

### Tuesday, March 27th

#### South Central ArtsWORK Indiana Meeting

Artists, writers, performers, and others pursuing creative careers: Are you interested in increasing opportunities for artists with disabilities? Join us to promote supportive networking and build arts career skills. Monthly meetings are held at City Hall in the McCloskey Conference Room. Meetings are free, accessible, and open to the public. Free parking is available in the adjacent lot after 5:00 pm. South Central ArtsWORK Indiana is a regional affiliate of ArtsWORK Indiana. Local partner organizations include the City of Bloomington and the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community. For information: [www.artsworkindiana.org/?pageId=159](http://www.artsworkindiana.org/?pageId=159), or Jane Harlan-Simmons, 812-855-6508. or [jeharlan@indiana.edu](mailto:jeharlan@indiana.edu).



### Tuesday, March 27th

#### Erik Stolhanske

Come to Whittenberger Auditorium in the Indiana Memorial Union to hear Erik Stolhanske - actor, writer, producer, speaker and member of the comedy group, Broken Lizard. He is probably best known for his role as "Rabbit" in the hit comedy, *Super Troopers*. He has written, produced, and starred in all of Broken Lizards' films, including *Puddle Cruiser*, *Super Troopers*, *Club Dread*, and *Beerfest*.

Growing up, Erik was missing something important...a leg. Born without a fibula, Erik learned to walk, play sports, and even became team captain of his high school baseball team, all with a wooden leg. Erik tells a poignant and often humorous story of overcoming obstacles and staying true to oneself, even when the odds are stacked against you (*source: Erik Stolhanske official website*). Eric's presentation will be from 7:30 - 9:30 pm. For information: Tanner Terrell, 812-855-7578 or [terrellt@indiana.edu](mailto:terrellt@indiana.edu).

### Wednesday, March 28th

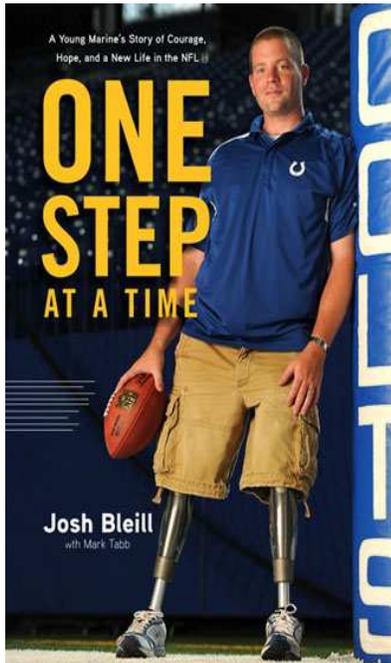
#### Bloomington/Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization Citizens Advisory Committee

Interested citizens are invited to be part of the local transportation planning process. The goal of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) is to foster and develop citizen awareness of transportation policy and planning. At monthly meetings the CAC reviews transportation projects and policies and makes recommendations to the Policy Committee of the Metropolitan Planning Organization. This month's meeting will be from 6:30 – 8:00 pm in the McCloskey Room #135 at City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street. To participate or for information: Raymond Hess, 812-349-3423 or [hessr@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:hessr@bloomington.in.gov). Visit their website: <http://bloomington.in.gov/mpo>.

### Tuesday, March 29th

#### Disability Awareness Film Series: *Lars and the Real Girl*

This film will be shown at the IU Cinema, 1213 E. 7th Street, at 7:00 pm. Tickets are free, but are required and available at the IU Auditorium box office during regular hours or 30 minutes prior to an IU Cinema screening. For information: IU Cinema, 812-856-2503 or [iucinema@indiana.edu](mailto:iucinema@indiana.edu).



Josh Bleill, who lost both legs in Iraq, is a Community Spokesperson for the Indianapolis Colts, inspiring others in tough situations.

**Tuesday, April 10th**  
**Accessible Technology Webinar:**  
**“Improving the Web Accessibility Game Plan”**

In 2011, a discussion began online and at conferences about the “game plan” to promote web accessibility. Karl Grove from Deque Systems will discuss the conversations and the direction of web accessibility. The free webinar will be held from 2:00 – 3:30 pm. You must register at [www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/AccessibleTechnology](http://www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/AccessibleTechnology). For information: Matt Norris, 812-855-6508 or [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu).

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**Tuesday, April 10th**  
**“Career Accessibility: Strategies for Aligning Your Strengths with Employment”**

Geared for Ivy Tech students and graduates with disabilities who are pursuing careers, the focus will be on career decision-making, considering best fit, job analysis, potential for advancement and employment outlook. The Career Accessibility presentation is free and open to all. The presentation will be held from 4:00 - 5:15 pm on the Ivy Tech Bloomington campus in the Connie and Steve Ferguson Academic Building, Room B-213. RSVP to Katie Anderson at [kanderso@ivytech.edu](mailto:kanderso@ivytech.edu).

**Wednesday, April 11th**  
**“Accessible University” Topic TBA**

This presentation is hosted by IU’s Disability Roundtable. Its purpose is to address the needs of students and faculty with disabilities on campus. Various topics are featured each month. The presentation will be held in the Oak Room of the Indiana Memorial Union from Noon – 1:00 pm. For information: Alice Voigt, 812-855-4422 or [ajvoigt@indiana.edu](mailto:ajvoigt@indiana.edu).

**Thursday, April 12th**  
**“Parent Connections for Independence”**

Monthly meeting of this support group for parents of adults with disabilities at the College Mall Food Court at 7:00 pm. The group meets the second Thursday of each month, alternating presentations with parent discussions. For information: Vonnie Peischl, 812-332-1916 or [vpeischl@indiana.edu](mailto:vpeischl@indiana.edu), or Suzie Rimstidt, 812-332-1916 or [sicilmonroe@msn.com](mailto:sicilmonroe@msn.com).

**Saturday, April 14th**  
**“Bridge the Gap”**

CASCI hosts “Bridge the Gap” from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 221 E. 6th Street; park in the lot north of church. Designed to provide people on the waiting list for an Advocate an opportunity for fun and socializing, participants will enjoy a “hands on” activity to facilitate volunteer “Friends for the Day” and “Partner for the Day” getting to know each other while celebrating similarities and differences. Afterward, everyone will enjoy a meal. Participants will include matched Advocates and Partners, people on the waiting list, and CASCI’s volunteer Friends for the Day. Advance registration required: Diana Reynolds, 812-325-8969 or [casci.inc@gmail.com](mailto:casci.inc@gmail.com).

**Sunday, April 15th**  
**“Bowling Outing”**

The Down Syndrome Family Connection hosts bowling at Classic Lanes in Bloomington from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Pizza and drinks are available! RSVP to [info@downsyndromefamilyconnection.org](mailto:info@downsyndromefamilyconnection.org).

**Monday, April 16th**  
**American Council for the Blind**

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**Tuesday, April 17th**  
**ADA Audio Conference:**  
**“Open Dialogue with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission”**

This month’s ADA Audio Conference will feature an Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) update on EEOC Enforcement and Guidance Activities. This is an interactive session and you are encouraged to bring your tough issues and concerns forward. Learn what others are experiencing and hear their questions and issues. This free audio conference will be held at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, Building L, from 2:00 – 3:30 pm. For information: Matt Norris, 812-855-6508 or [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu).



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**Lennon Beasley with his Self Advocacy Award at the 2011 CCA Awards Ceremony.**

**Tuesday, April 26th**

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**Cindy Johnson (left) and Rosalie Founds of Down Syndrome Family Connection, recipient of the 2011 Mayor’s Award.**

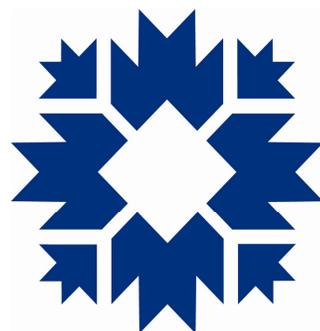
**Monday, April 30th**

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**CCA Chair Katie Herron**



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