# BROOKE HANCOCK FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK





*Forever In Our Hearts* Dewey Joseph Guida, Jr. *May 3, 1944 - May 14, 2024* The Disability Acceptance Coalition was listed as one of the designated organizations to receive memorial contributions in honor of Dewey Guida, Jr. who passed away on May 14th. Dewey was a kind and generous man who worked tirelessly in the Weirton area to make a better community for everyone. We would like to thank everyone who donated funds to DAC in his honor and our hearts go out to Dewey's family at this incredible loss.

HANCOCK COUNTY FSC



This month we partnered with Chester Police Department for Cones with Cops to celebrate national police week. We passed out over 60 snow cones to families who attended. We had stations set up where kids were able to color a picture or write a thank you letter to an officer. Police officers from both Chester PD and Hancock County Sheriffs Department participated in a touch-a-cruiser and a K9 demonstration. We also partnered this month with WVU Extension Office to make pizza in a bucket at New Manchester Elementary school. This is an event where students are provided all seeds to grow ingredients to make their own pizza toppings! Each student received a grow bag to take home to transplant their seeds to grow at home. We will be doing this event with Allison Elementary on May 31st as well.

Our Me Time For Moms group completed their How to Talk Workshop with parent leader Betsy Nixon. It was such a big hit that we are considering doing it a second time around. Also this past month our two parent leaders Jason Cline (Daditude) and Betsy Nixon (Me Time For Moms) went with Wuela to Blackwater Falls to participate in the Circle of Parents Training. They are now officially certified through the Circle of Parents. We also collected donations of flood cleanup materials to be distributed in Brooke County and had dropped them off both at Refocus Christian Church and the Wellsburg Fire Department. We had a great turn out for our Thursday Yoga in Central Park with Taylor Aitken Provenzano from Soulshine LLC. So excited to make this a weekly event through out the summer. Join us for the next one next Thursday at 5:30 at Central Park in Wellsburg. All ages and skill levels are welcome!





PAT attended 3 community baby showers in the month of May. We served over 100 prenatal or new mothers! We supplied them all with a baby book, wipes, and developmental information. Our doula was in attendance to spread advocacy of the benefits of having a doula involved in healthy births. She is currently accepting birthing clients free of charge in Brooke and Hancock counties.

Paint and Punch Success! The Inclusion Circle hosted a free Paint and Punch activity on May 11th and had a blast! Attendees were able to use a guided canvas to create a beautiful spring picture. Thanks to all that could attend and to Deborah Smith, Paint Brush Social, for leading our group to create amazing, individualized paintings. We will be hosting another free Paint and Punch in October, so watch for an announcement and RSVP as soon as possible as space is limited to 30 attendees.

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#### **THE INCLUSION CIRCLE**





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### PANTRY AND SITE INFORMATION

To sign up for pantry assistance and upcoming events call: 304-748-7850

BHFRN- 1300 Potomac Ave Ste. C Weirton, WV

Ext. Option 2

Pantry Pick Up- 6/12/24 @10-5 pm

Brooke County FSC-1447 Main St, 2nd Floor Wellsburg, WV

Ext. 1004 or 1015 Pantry Pick Up- 6/14/2024 @ 9-4pm

Hancock County FSC-600 Indiana Ave. Chester, WV Room 306 Ext. 1003 or 1014 Pantry Pick Up- 6/18/24 @ 10-5 pm

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS IN JUNE, 2024**

- 6/2 Family Fun Day 3-6 pm @ Refocus Church in Follansbee
- 6/5 DAC meeting 12 pm @ BHFRN
- 6/6 Summer Feeding Program Kickoff Monday Through Thursday 12-1pm
- 6/7 Summer Sprouts Every Friday 11-12PM
- 6/7 Playgroup 10-11:.0 am @ 1st Ward Park in Wellsburg
- 6/12 Annual Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium Trip
- 6/11 Playgroup 10-11:30 am @1st Ward Park in Wellsburg
- 6/13 Popsicles in Park Playgroup @ Chester City Park 11-12pm
- 6/13 Autism training @ 11-12p Via Zoom
- 6/14 Teen Group-Tie Dye Beach Towels Hancock FSC Room 306 4-5pm
- 6/15 Roll and Read 11am-2 pm @ Xavier Hall Moundsville

6/20 Inclusive Pool Party at Starvaggi Pool, Weirton 7:00pm - 9:00pm 6/24 Roll and Read 11am-2 pm @ Chester City building

6/26 Make Your Own Dryer Sheers Hancock County FSC Room 306 5pm 6/26 4th of July Picnic at Cove Valley Park, Kings Creek-Weirton 4:30-6:30pm 6/28 Popsicles in the Park Playgroup @ New Cumberland City Park 11-12pm 7/10 Pollinating Power Activity Night at BHFRN 4:30pm - 6:00pm

7/18 Inclusive Pool Party & PAT Graduation at Starvaggi Pool, Weirton 7-9 pm 7/24 Bank on It! Activity Night at BHFRN 4:30pm - 6:00pm

\*Walking Group Every Wednesday at 11 am and 5 pm meet at Hancock FSC \* Yoga in Central Park with Taylor Aitken Provenzano from Soulshine LLC every Thursday at 5:30 pm

#### **HEALTHY GRANDFAMILIES**

We are looking to build our Healthy Grandfamilies group for Brooke, Hancock, Ohio, and Marshall counties. If you or someone you know has guardianship of their grandchildren please reach out to us. We would love to help provide support and educational sessions. please call (304) 748-7850 Option 10 to speak to a navigator and learn more about our program.



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The Ohio and Marshall county Healthy Grandfamily held a luncheon. Legal Aid was their to provide information and answer any questions any of the GrandFamilies had.

# INCLUSION CIRCLE AND DISABILITES **ACCEPTANCE** COALITION

To inquire about IC and RVSP call Mary at 304-748-7850 Ext. 1013. To inquire about and RSVP to DAC call Rita at 304-748-7850 Ext. 1002





BHFRN provided food and hygiene/household bags to the community at our three pantry sites. We served 35 families at our Chester pantry site, 65 families at our Wellsburg pantry site, and 44 at our Weirton pantry site and 170 families at the mobile pantry.

For PAT sign-up information. call: 304-748-7850



WV Home

ext. 1005

## Or text 724-298-8493



Interested in becoming a PAT **Parent Educator?** Scan this QR code to learn more!

## Volunteer Opportunities

If you have a skill you would like to teach to others or are interested in volunteering for any FRN programs, please use this QR code to let us know.



Contact us and follow our Facebook page for the most up-to-date information on events, resources, and more! Brookehancockfrn.org

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