

# OTB Gazette

FEBRUARY 29, 2024



## MARCH DISABILITY AWARENESS ART EXHIBITION—3/8 @ 6PM



The Fishers Arts Council hosts an evening for all ages, including live music and various kinds of artistic expressions on display in the gallery. All are welcome to this event—it is free to attend and no registration is required. Outside the Box has many talented participants who create in all manner of media, predominantly two-dimensional works of drawing and painting! Check out some of OTB's artwork that will be on display, and available for purchase, at this event!



**March Disability Awareness Art Exhibition**  
March 08, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
FAC Hub Gallery  
11810 Technology Dr, Fishers, IN 46038



## DISABILITY AWARENESS NIGHT @

## INDY FUEL GAME – 3/22 @ 7PM

Experience an unforgettable evening with the Indy Fuel and Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, plus receive a free shirt from Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability! Not only will you enjoy a thrilling hockey game, but you'll also raise money and increase awareness for the challenges and needs facing the disability community. PLUS, it's a Do317 Night (\$3 drink specials, \$1 Hot Dogs, \$7 shirts). Your seats will be located in the Center Terrace, offering a fantastic view of the game. Tickets will be left at WILL CALL at the Indiana Farmers Coliseum! Order your tickets at the link below!

<https://fuel.isportstix.com/order/group/FACD/>



**OTB PRESENTS THE BIG SHOW 2**

Warren Central High School  
9500 East 16th St. Indianapolis  
Time: April 3rd @ 6pm

*The Evolution of Music and Fashion*

Our goal for the choir committee is to raise funds for future performances, choir attire, and OTB overall

Donate now

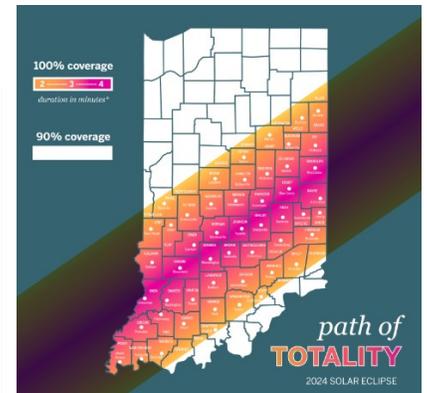
Or @ the Door

Singing Art Fashion

JOIN US FOR OUR SPRING SHOW

# TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING PARTY

On Monday, April 8, 2024, Indianapolis, IN will experience a total solar eclipse. A total solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth, completely blocking the face of the Sun. The sky will darken as if it were dawn or dusk. Because this phenomenon will not occur for another 20 years, OTB would like to gather all participants and staff at our Indy campus to view the eclipse together! The total solar eclipse will begin at 3:01pm EDT, with the final exit of the Moon's shadow at 3:12pm EDT. **Permission slips will be coming home with each participant, so please make sure you keep an eye out for those! ALSO—We are still in need of 25 more total eclipse-viewing safety glasses.** If you order glasses for us, please have them shipped to **3940 East 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46220.** Thank you!!



## CHAIR DANCING WITH STEPHANIE AT LITM EVENTS



Stephanie Beringer (left) is a Dance Instructor at *Stage 1 Dance Academy* located in Greenwood, and she really wanted to do something fun with our participants—so we started out with chair dancing on Valentine's Day! Everyone had a great time, listening to our favorite jams and following Stephanie's lead to learn the moves.



# TURN YOUR GROCERY SHOPPING INTO REWARDS FOR OTB!



## Community Rewards Program

A digital account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards

### Create a Digital Account

If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward OUTSIDE THE BOX charitable organization

### Link your Card to OUTSIDE THE BOX

Simply update the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account

- Sign in to your digital account
- Search for **OUTSIDE THE BOX**
- Enter **OUTSIDE THE BOX** or **KG937** to support
- Select OUTSIDE THE BOX and click "Save"

3. **OUTSIDE THE BOX** will display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account



On the Kroger app:  
Go to Rewards, then go to Community Rewards and select *Outside the Box* or **KG937** as your Organization.

Super easy to set up, and you're getting groceries anyways, right?

Happy Shopping and Thank YOU!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Saturday, May 11, 2024  
@ 6pm

Purchase tickets at:

[https://  
www.indyconcertsforacause.org/buy-tickets/  
peacock-madera-navarro-  
2024](https://www.indyconcertsforacause.org/buy-tickets/peacock-madera-navarro-2024)

Ticket price includes:

- ◆ Two concerts
- ◆ Food/Appetizers
- ◆ Beer/Wine

**ALL ticket proceeds go directly to OTB!**

**YOU'RE INVITED**

Alice Peacock, Jesse Lynn Madera, Dan Navarro

Kristen Bales

When: May 11th, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Where: The Indianapolis Art Center

The poster features three photos of the performers: Alice Peacock, Jesse Lynn Madera, and Dan Navarro on the left, and Kristen Bales on the right. The background is a dark stage setting with a red banner at the top.

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICES SPOTLIGHT

Rachel graduated from Lawrence Central High School, class of 2018. After graduation she sought more knowledge that could help her form a vocational goal for herself by attending Erskine Green's dishwasher and server training program. She spent ten long weeks away from home, while she studied and practiced her newly discovered skill.

As well as being a very bright young lady, with goals of learning to drive, moving out on her own someday, and to earn enough money to travel with her favorite boy band, Rachel is an inspiration to many. She pushes herself to succeed and is never afraid to ask for advice or a helping hand when needed while working as a dishwasher at Red Robin. This is what makes Rachel a star!



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Taylor	2/6	John	2/16
Curtis	2/6	Jarrid	2/17
Madison	2/7	James	2/17
Natalie	2/8	Brooke	2/25
Amy	2/9	Elizabeth	2/25
Rick	2/10	Ashley	2/28
Penny	2/14	Juan	2/28

## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Jenny Tharp is so awesome. She is up for anything - restroom help; covering in a group room; going on an outing; whatever is asked of her. She is always willing to lend a hand! She is welcoming to all visitors and volunteers, and truly loves all of our participants. Jenny is a wonderful asset to OTB!



## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Barbara 2 years  
Juliana 1 year

*THANK YOU  
FOR MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE EVERYDAY!*

## PARTICIPANT OF THE MONTH



BellAle (Leopards Group) is always joking and laughing with everyone. She loves to help other participants during check-ins, curriculum, and in writing and math club. What we love most about her is her positive attitude!

## THIS IS MAX

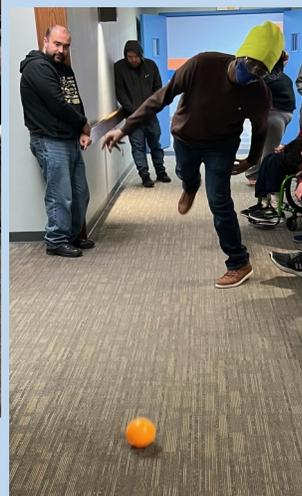
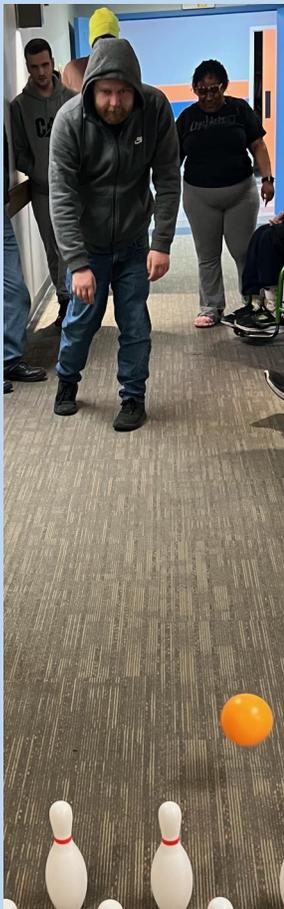
### OTB'S ICAN SERVICE DOG



HE IS SO  
LOVED AND  
JUST TOO  
CUTE!

# CHECK OUT WHAT OUR GROUPS HAVE BEEN UP TO!

## SKETCHPUNKS – ALWAYS INSPIRED



JEDIS-  
MAKING STUFFED  
BELL PEPPER SOUP



OCEAN WAVES -  
COOKING SPAGHETTI AND  
MEATBALLS & MEATBALL SUBS



# WIZARDS— COFFEE AND SAFETY BINGO



EXPLORERS—  
ENJOYING OUTSIDE & CELEBRATING OUR  
FRIEND'S BIRTHDAY WITH CUPCAKES,  
COOKIES & POPSIDLES



Galaxy Z Fold5

## ASTRONAUTS – VOLUNTEERING AT A FOOD BANK

The Astronauts volunteer every other Friday at Saint Vincent DePaul Food Pantry. Some of the work that we do is bagging up different food items into bags, in preparation for people to pick them up; learning to work as a team and counting the number of food items being put into the bag. One participant says that this is a job that he loves doing!



*Keep up the good work!*

## SPACE CHARGERS – VALENTINE'S TREATS



*SPREAD THE LOVE*

14th Annual *Chip In*  
For Outside the Box is on  
Thursday, June 20, 2024



**SAVE THE  
DATE!**

*Many sponsorship opportunities available including....*

- "Ace" Presenting Sponsor \$5,000
- "19th Hole" Awards Dinner \$2,500
- ✓ Beverage Cart \$500/Each (2)
- "8th Hole" Cannon Sponsor \$500
- Hole in One Contest \$400
- Putting Green/Range Sponsor \$300/Each
- Hole Sponsor \$150/Hole
- Bring your Foursome! \$600

All golfer entries will include green fees, cart, range balls, lunch, unlimited water, pop & domestic beer on the course, dinner & awards. Prizes awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & last place teams! Contests: Hole in One, Longest Drive – Men & Women, Closest to the Pin, & Putting Contest

*All proceeds go directly back to Outside the Box!*

Registration & Lunch: 11 am ~ Shotgun Start: 1 pm

Interested in sponsorship opportunities, volunteering, or playing?

Email [kforrester@otbonline.org](mailto:kforrester@otbonline.org) or check our website for more information

<https://www.otbonline.org/events/chip-in/>



**THE DREAMERS ARE  
COLLECTING POP  
TABS FOR RILEY**



Please bring your pop tabs to either location (in a baggie or container) and give to a staff member.



Thank  
you!

**WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE  
IN THIS NEWSLETTER?**



Please reach out to Kyrie at [kforrester@otbonline.org](mailto:kforrester@otbonline.org) with ideas!

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