

Calendar of Events

- Aug 9 **Parent Support Virtual Meetings**
Sept 13 7PM
- Oct 11
- Nov 8
- Dec 13

- October 2 **Step Up for Down Syndrome**
Canalside
10AM

- October 31 **Halloween Trick or Treat Trail**
Bornhava, 25 Chateau Terrace, Amherst 14226
10AM

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News

August 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parent Support Virtual Meetings

Aug 9



Down Syndrome Parents Group



PURPOSE:
Provide a welcoming environment for parents, family members and other caregivers of individuals with down syndrome to meet, share experiences, ask questions and receive support.

DATE	"NEW ZOOM LINK"
Monday, Aug 9, 2021	Join Zoom Meeting
September 13, 2021	
October 11, 2021	https://zoom.us/j/91473020954?pwd=bn0wYkUwOFUyVitkQzlwYUJDbHN2QT09
November 8, 2021	
December 13, 2021	

TIME
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Meeting ID: 914 7302 0954
Passcode: 902265
Dial by your location
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

If you have any questions contact us at :
(716) 332-4170 or info@parentnetworkwny.org

Join our Zoom Meetings, the second Monday of every month at 7pm, to share experiences, ask questions and receive support. For parents and other caregivers of children with Down syndrome. Click the link below to join. For email reminders for upcoming meetings go to: <https://form.jotform.com/dspgwny/dspgvirtualmeetings>

New Zoom Link

<https://zoom.us/j/91473020954?pwd=bn0wYkUwOFUyVitkQzlwYUJDbHN2QT09%20#success>
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Step Up for Down Syndrome

Oct 2

Saturday, October 2, 2021
CANALSIDE
44 Prime Street, Buffalo, NY 14202

STEP UP FOR DOWN SYNDROME

AN AWARENESS EVENT SPONSORED BY
THE DOWN SYNDROME PARENTS GROUP OF WESTERN NEW YORK
FAMILIES • SELF ADVOCATES • FRIENDS

Join Us at Canalside OR virtually on October 2!
Register at <https://form.jotform.com/dspgwny/StepUp21>
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We are excited to be able to meeting person, but we are offering a virtual option as well. For more information go to dspgwny.org or call 716-832-9334. To register go to <https://form.jotform.com/dspgwny/StepUp21>.

Halloween Trick or Treat Trail

October 31



The DSPG of WNY is hosting its 9th annual Halloween Event at Bornhava on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 10:00am-12:00pm. Costumes are encouraged as kids will trick or treat around the back stone path. Stations will be spaced apart and we will have gloves and masks available. This free all ages event is for Down Syndrome Parents Group family members and families of children who attend Bornhava. **Look for more information to come in September at dspgwny.org.**

Resource Corner

Breastfeeding and Down Syndrome: A Comprehensive Guide for Mothers and Medical Professionals, the new book by Julia's Way <https://juliaway.org/book>

A parents guide to teaching reading to children and young people with Down syndrome <https://www.down-syndrome.org/en-gb/services/training/courses/parents-teaching-reading>

Information about sunscreen use and people with Down syndrome. <https://adscresources.advocatehealth.com/sunscreen-use>

Visuals can be appropriate for people of all ages. <https://adscresources.advocatehealth.com/visual-supports>

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has a special guide to help parents and families of children with Down syndrome. This document focuses on medical topics that affect physical health.

Aging and Life Expectancy <https://adscresources.advocatehealth.com/resources/aging-and-life-expectancy>

Traveling With A Disabled Child I How To Properly Prepare For Your Adventure <https://adayinourshoes.com/prepare-vacation-disabled-special-needs>

COVID-19 vaccination in children with Ds down to age 12, going mask-free, and other useful information. <https://directory.libsyn.com/episode/index/id/19149248>

Resources on Common Health Conditions in adolescents and adults with Down syndrome https://adscresources.advocatehealth.com/assets/1/13/Addressing_Common_Health_Conditions_in_Adults_with_Down_Syndrome_-_2.10.2021.pdf

Family Picnic

Despite the rain, we had a great turnout at Como Park for our Family Picnic. The basket raffle, music, ice cream and snacks were enjoyed by all!

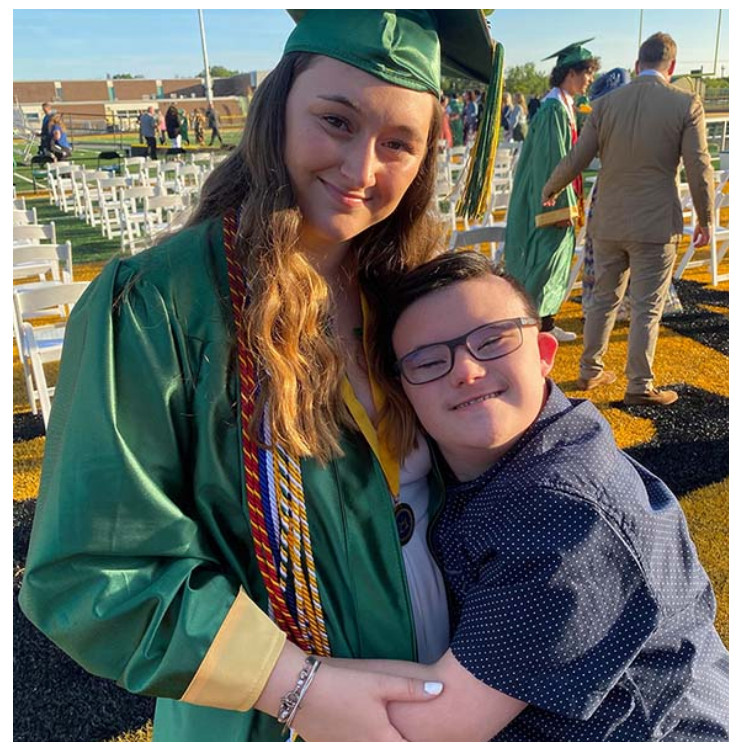


Board News

Please feel free to reach out to any of our Board members if you are in need of assistance. We will do whatever we can to connect you with necessary resources. Take care and stay safe.

College Scholarships

The DSPG is providing college scholarships to deserving high schoolers who have volunteered with us for at least 4 years. Please email dspg@dspgwny.org with questions or to receive a copy of the qualifications for the 2020-2021 school year. This year's annual scholarship was awarded to Emma Monson. Congratulations Emma! Applications for the fall of 2022 are due on May 30, 2022. *We welcome our loved ones with Down syndrome to volunteer at any of our events.*



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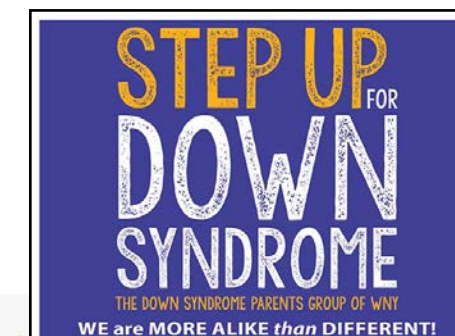
Donations in Memory of Thomas Giambra

Donation from Jim Hartloff

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DSPG Yard Signs - \$10

We will be at Bornhava, 25 Chateau Terrace in Amherst, on September 25 and Union Fire Company, 1845 Union Road in West Seneca, on September 26 from 12-3pm for sign pick up. Signs are 24 x 18 inches. Go to our website dspgwny.org or order at <https://form.jotform.com/dspgwny/StepUpSign>.



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