

A close-up photograph of a large sunflower with bright yellow petals and a dark brown seed head, set against a background of other sunflowers and a blue sky with light clouds.

Opening Doors

ADULTS WITH
DISABILITIES

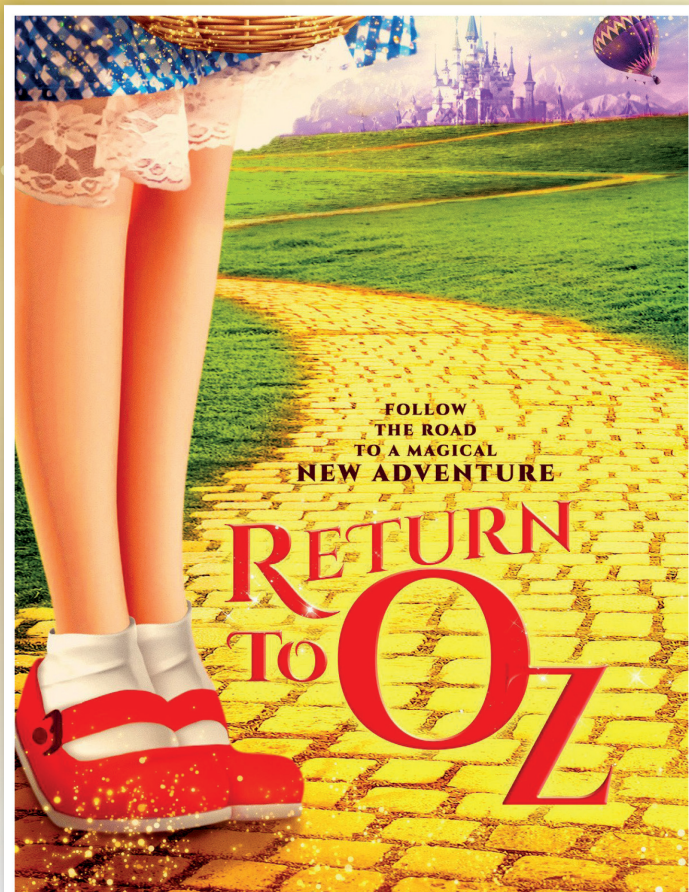
SUMMER
2025

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WELCOME

Opening Doors provides opportunities to access and explore life's journey. Come travel with us as we open the doors to social, emotional and educational experiences. Be your own guide and enjoy the pleasures of the journey. *Opening Doors* is a program for Adults with Disabilities (ages 16+). This program offers classes/activities in the school districts of Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose, Big Lake, Becker, Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted and Monticello. Specialized activities offer educational, social, life skills and recreation learning opportunities for adults with a disability.

EVENTS



SIDEKICK THEATRE

in Bloomington Presents:

"The Return to Oz" Dinner & Show

Follow the road to a magical new musical adventure with lots of laughs, audience participation and lovable characters along the way!

Dorothy, a restless Kansas farm girl eager to see more of the world, is transported by a cyclone to the magical world of Oz where she meets the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion, who quickly become her new friends. Together, they overcome their fears of witches, flying monkeys, and a haunted forest to learn if the Wizard can make their dreams come true.

Holt Charter will provide transportation, please indicate the need for wheel chairs seating, limit wheelchair spots available.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS THURSDAY, JULY 24

Lunch menu: Chicken tenders, Mac & Cheese, fresh fruit, Cookie and Milk or Lemonade
Course / Fee: \$322 / \$85 per person, caregivers must register and pay
Date / Time: Saturday, August 9 / Bus Departs from Discovery, Door #1 @ 10:30am / Lunch @ 11:30 am / Show @ 12:30pm, running time: 65 minutes / Bus Returns to Discovery approximately @ 3:00pm
Location: Sidekick Theatre, Bloomington, MN

EVENTS

Buffalo PRCA Championship Rodeo - Saddle Up for a Wild Ride!

Grab your boots and cowboy hats—Join us for a high-energy evening packed with heart-pounding bull riding, skillful roping, barrel racing, and a whole lot of Western flair. We'll enjoy classic rodeo thrills, gates open at 5pm, meet your Opening Doors Chapone at the gate for your tickets. The first event on the schedule is Mutton Busting. Bring your own money for food and souvenirs. Stay as little or as long as you like. Whether you're a seasoned ranch hand or just in it for the fun, this event promises plenty of laughs, photo ops, and memories worth more than gold.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JUNE MONDAY JUNE 9

Course / Fee: S321 / \$25

Date / Time: Thursday, June 19 / 5:00 pm

Location: 1306 County Rd 134 NE, Buffalo, MN 55313



Wright County Fair & Demolition Derby

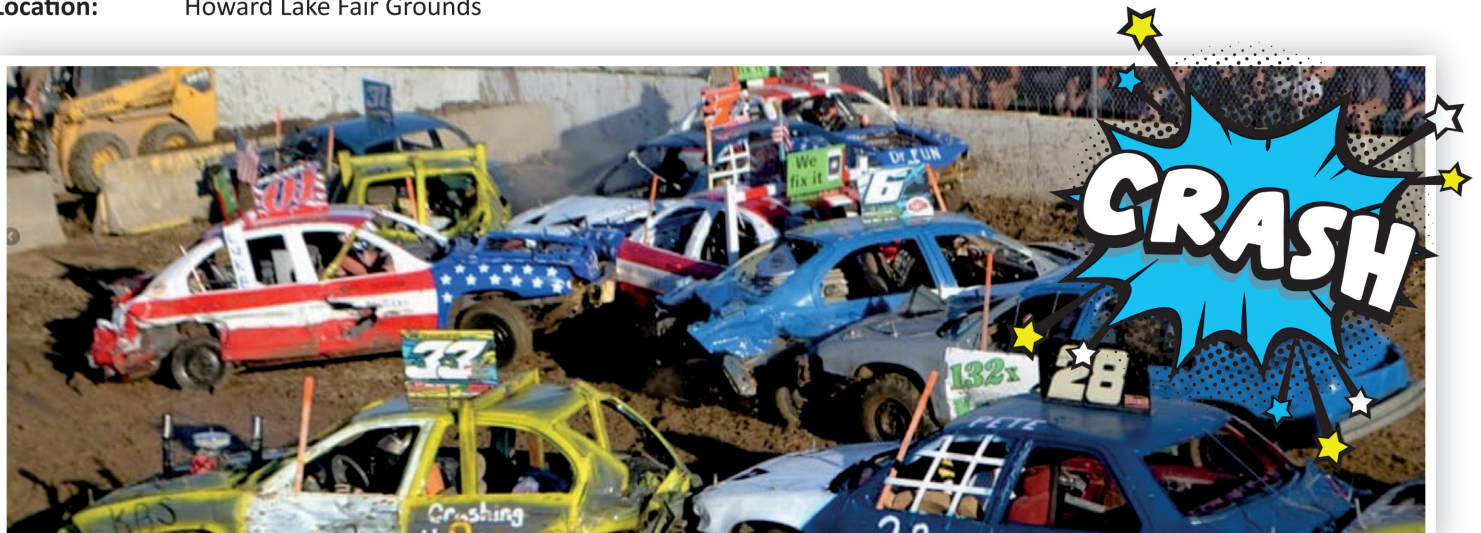
Come celebrate at our Wright County Fair, the folks, the friends and the fun are here again. Explore the many sights and local efforts of your neighbors. The highlight of this gathering will be our admission into the 6 pm Demolition Derby. Yes, we have again secured front row seats that can get messy with mud, so wear your mud wear. Meet our Opening Doors Staff at the ticket booth on the East side of the fairgrounds across the street from county road 6 at 5 pm on **Sunday**. You will need to pay fair admission of \$5 at the gate. We will have the Demo tickets for you.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JULY 1

Course / Fee: S309HL / \$15 each person (client & caregivers)

Date / Time: Sunday, July 27 / 5:30 pm-approx 8pm (New date this year-**Sunday** Demo starts @ 5:30pm)

Location: Howard Lake Fair Grounds



ACTIVITIES

BINGO

Back by popular demand, we will call the numbers, you mark the card and prizes for all. We will also serve pizza and a full serving of FUN!



Course / Fee: S300HL / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, June 13 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School, Room #E106

Course / Fee: S300B / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, June 20 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Buffalo Discovery Center, Board Room

Course / Fee: S300BL / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, June 27 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills Door A

Course / Fee: S301BE / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, July 18 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Becker High School, Paes lab-305

Course / Fee: S301BL / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, July 25 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills Door A

Course / Fee: S301M / \$10
Date / Time: Thursday, July 31 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

Course / Fee: S302HL / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, August 8 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School, Room #E106

Course / Fee: S302M / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, August 15 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

Course / Fee: S302BL / \$10
Date / Time: Friday, August 22 / 6-7:30pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills Door A



Tee Time-Mini Golf at Bison Creek

It's time to get on the greens and improve your putting skills at Bison Creek Mini Golf. Bring a golfing buddy or let us match you up with a friend for an evening that will be full of fun. On our last night of league, we will celebrate with pizza!

Course / Fee: S319A / \$39 for 4 sessions
Date / Time: Mondays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28
6-7:30pm (Pizza Party at 5:30pm on July 28)
Location: Huikko's Entertainment Center

Course / Fee: S319B / \$39 for 4 sessions
Date / Time: Mondays, August 4, 11, 18, & 25
6-7:30pm (Pizza Party at 5:30pm on Aug. 25)
Location: Huikko's Entertainment Center

ACTIVITIES

Bowling at McPete's

Join Your Friends at McPete's in Big Lake for a game of Bowling and Pizza. The pins are sure to go down with the excitement of the evening!

Course / Fee: W325DBL / \$25
Date / Time: Friday, June 6 / 6-7:30pm
Location: McPete's Bowling Center-Big Lake

Course / Fee: S325ABL / \$25
Date / Time: Friday, July 11 / 6-7:30pm
Location: McPete's Bowling Center-Big Lake

Course / Fee: S325BBL / \$25
Date / Time: Friday, August 8 / 6-7:30pm
Location: McPete's Bowling Center-Big Lake



Fishing Forever

It's the summer fishing season. Join us for a trip on the Bison Fishing Forever pontoon on Lake Pulaski in Buffalo! The pontoon leaves from the boat launch at Griffing Park. Bring your fishing license if you plan on fishing. All supplies, bait and life jackets will be provided. This activity is co-sponsored with the City of Buffalo Community Center's **Bison Fishing Forever**. **Space is limited to 8 people so don't wait to register.** **All Caretakers must register too.** **If a participant uses a wheelchair please indicate on registration, there is 1 spot per trip for a wheelchair.**

Course / Fee: S320A / \$5
Date / Time: Wednesday, June 11 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

Course / Fee: S320B / \$5
Date / Time: Wednesday, June 25 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

Course / Fee: S320C / \$5
Date / Time: Wednesday, July 9 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

Course / Fee: S320D
Date / Time: Wednesday, July 23 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

Course / Fee: S320E / \$5
Date / Time: Wednesday, August 6 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

Course / Fee: S320F / \$5
Date / Time: Wednesday, August 20 / 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Lake Pulaski in Buffalo at Griffing Park

FUN WITH CRAFTS AND FOOD



We all Scream for Ice Cream

We have an ice cream cone treat for you that won't even melt, come and assemble this clever project. Of course, it won't be summer if we didn't have the real thing to enjoy too!

Course / Fee: S318M / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday, June 4 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

Course / Fee: S318BE / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday July 22 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305



Personal Fruit Pizzas

We are exchanging the cheese and pizza sauce for a light and fruity personal pizza. Come join us as we create (and eat) this colorful snack.

Course / Fee: S303BL / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, June 10 / 6-7pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A

Course / Fee: S303BE / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday June 11 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305

Pebbles with Pam

Join one of your favorite Opening Doors Instructors, to create an extraordinary work of art using pebbles. We will provide the glue and many different shapes and sizes of pebbles, you will provide the creativity.

Course / Fee: S314M / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, June 10 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West lecture hall

Course / Fee: S314B / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday June 24 / 6-7pm
Location: Buffalo Discovery Center, DO Conference Room



June 2025

All Events are scheduled from 6-7pm unless otherwise noted.

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
1	2	3	4 Scream for Ice Cream Monticello High School	5	6 Bowling & Pizza 6-7:30pm McPete's in Big Lake	7
8	9	10 Personal Fruit Pizzas Big Lake High School Pebbles with Pam Monticello High School	11 Personal Fruit Pizzas Becker High School Fishing Forever 5:30-7:30pm Lake Pulaski at Griffing Park in Buffalo	12	13 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Howard Lake Middle School	14
15	16	17 Summer Suncatcher Howard Lake Middle School	18 Miniature Fairy Garden Big Lake High School	19 Buffalo PRCA Championship Rodeo 5:00pm 1306 County Rd 134 NE, Buffalo	20 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Buffalo Discovery Center	21
22	23	24 Creative Beading Big Lake High School Pebbles with Pam Buffalo Discovery Center	25 Organic Painting Howard Lake Middle School Fishing Forever 5:30-7:30pm Lake Pulaski at Griffing Park in Buffalo	26	27 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Big Lake High School	28
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July 2025

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
		1	2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5
6	7 Mini Golf 6-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	8 Rainbow Scarf Howard Lake Middle School	9 Fishing Forever 5:30-7:30pm Lake Pulaski at Griffing Park in Buffalo	10	11 Bowling & Pizza 6-7:30pm McPete's in Big Lake	12
13	14 Mini Golf 6-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	15 Smoothies & Game Night Big Lake High School	16 Ping Pong Tealights Howard Lake Middle School	17 Ping Pong Tealights Monticello High School	18 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Becker High School	19

July 2025 (continued)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21 Mini Golf 6-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	22 Watercolor Painting Buffalo Discovery Center Scream for Ice Cream Becker High School	23 Watercolor Painting Monticello High School Fishing Forever 5:30-7:30pm Lake Pulaski at Griffing Park in Buffalo	24 Trip Deadline to Oz	25 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Big Lake High School	26
27 Wright County Fair & Demolition Derby 5:30-8:00pm Howard Lake Fairgrounds	28 Mini Golf & Pizza 5:30-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	29 Rainbow Scarf Becker High School	30 National Cheesecake Day Big Lake High School	31 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Monticello High School		

August 2025

All Events are scheduled from 6-7pm unless otherwise noted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Mini Golf 6-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	5 National Night Out: Uno & Ice Cream Becker High School & Big Lake High School	6 Fishing Forever 5:30-7:30pm Lake Pulaski at Griffing Park in Buffalo	7	8 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Howard Lake Middle School Bowling & Pizza 6-7:30pm McPete's in Big Lake	9 "The Return to Oz, the Musical" Dinner & Show 10:30am-3:00pm Buffalo Discovery Center, Door #1 to Sidekick Theater Bloomington
10	11 Mini Golf 6-7:30pm Huikko's Entertainment Center - Bison Creek	12 Summer Sand Art Howard Lake Middle School & Monticello High School	13 Foot Relief Big Lake High School	14 Foot Relief Becker High School	15 Bingo & Pizza 6-7:30pm Monticello High School	16
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FUN WITH CRAFTS AND FOOD



Summer Suncatcher

Time to put on your sunglasses and sign up to catch some rays, that is with the help of a suncatcher. We will have a variety of supplies that you can use to make your very own suncatcher. This project will add extra color to your sunny days

Course / Fee: S310HL / \$9

Date / Time: Tuesday June 17 / 6-7pm

Location: Howard Lake Middle School Room #E106



Miniature Fairy Garden

Come and use your imagination to create a fairy garden of your very own. We will also talk about the importance of nurturing our environment.

Course / Fee: S304BL / \$9

Date / Time: Wednesday, June 18 / 6-7pm

Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A



Creative Beading

Unleash your creativity in this hands-on beading class. Come and learn how to design and create unique keychains or bracelets using a wide variety of colorful beads and materials. No prior experience is necessary—just a willingness to explore, create, and have fun with other Opening Doors participants. This course encourages self-expression, builds fine motor skills, and offers a great opportunity to socialize and enjoy a rewarding activity. All materials are provided.

Course / Fee: S323BL / \$9

Date / Time: Tuesday, June 24 / 6-7pm

Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A



Organic Painting

You don't need to be a fan of broccoli to enjoy this art project. We will show you a new painting technique using real broccoli, no eating involved. Create a work of art with the help of broccoli.

Course / Fee: S311HL / \$9

Date / Time: Wednesday, June 25 / 6-7pm

Location: Howard Lake Middle School Room #E106

FUN WITH CRAFTS AND FOOD



Rainbow Scarf

Here's a super easy way to create a colorful accessory with just scissors and some soft fleece. This attractive scarf will add versatility to your wardrobe.

Course / Fee: S312HL / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday July 8 / 6-7pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School, Room #E106

Course / Fee: S312BE / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday July 29 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305



Smoothies & Game Night

Cool off with a refreshing smoothie and some game fun with your friends. We will have a couple of board games for you to choose from and a variety of favorite ingredients to add to your smoothie.

Course / Fee: S305BL / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, July 15 / 6-7pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A



Ping Pong Tealights

A light is a symbol of celebration and joy. Let Opening Doors shine on you and your festivities. We will create a colorful miniature globe light using a ping pong ball and a tealight. Dress in your painting clothes.

Course / Fee: S313HL / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday, July 16 / 6-7pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School, Room #E106

Course / Fee: S313M / \$9
Date / Time: Thursday July 17 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall



FUN WITH CRAFTS AND FOOD



Watercolor Painting

Watercolor painting made easy, no skills needed, just the desire to create a whimsical work of art. Our painting theme will be inspired by the natural environment surrounding us.

Course / Fee: S315B / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday July 22 / 6-7pm
Location: Buffalo Discovery Center, Room M3

Course / Fee: S315M / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday July 23 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

National Cheesecake Day

National Cheesecake Day is celebrated each year on July 30. Come honor one of America's favorite desserts. We will make an easy recipe in class and of course treat yourself to a tasty treat!

Course / Fee: S308BL / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday, July 30 / 6-7pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A



UNO & Ice Cream

Celebrate National Night Out 2025!

Celebrate National Night out! Connect with your neighbors for a night of UNO and an ice cream treat. What more could you want- a cool treat with great friends!

Course / Fee: S306BL / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, August 5 / 6-7pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A

Course / Fee: S306BE / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday August 5 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305



FUN WITH CRAFTS AND FOOD



Summer Sand Art

Escape to the beach with this relaxing and creative Summer Sand Art class! Design your own unique, colorful sand art creations inspired by ocean waves and sandy shores. Using vibrant sand, glass jars, and fun embellishments, everyone will craft a beautiful, beachy jar to take home.

Course / Fee: S316HL / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, August 12 / 6-7pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School Room #E106

Course / Fee: S316M / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, August 12 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

Course / Fee: S316BE / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday August 19 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305

Foot Relief

Summertime is time to take care of your feet, give those feet some relief from the summer & sandal season. We will soak our feet in a lovely scented mixture of warm water and Epsom salts. You will take home your own foot tub and a sample of salt.

Course / Fee: S307BL / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday, August 13 / 6-7pm
Location: Big Lake High School, Room C112 Life Skills, Door A

Course / Fee: S307BE / \$9
Date / Time: Thursday August 14 / 6-7pm
Location: Becker High School, PAES-Lab-305



Strawberry Kabobs

In this fun and refreshing class, you will learn how to create delicious and visually appealing strawberry kabobs—perfect for summer gatherings, picnics, or light desserts. We'll explore creative combinations of fresh strawberries with complementary ingredients. Whether you're making a healthy snack or a sweet treat, this hands-on experience is sure to bring the taste of summer to your table!

Course / Fee: S317M / \$9
Date / Time: Tuesday, August 19 / 6-7pm
Location: Monticello High School, West Lecture Hall

Course / Fee: S317HL / \$9
Date / Time: Wednesday, August 20 / 6-7pm
Location: Howard Lake Middle School Room #E106

REGISTRATION FORM



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Address: _____

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We hope you and your family are doing well and adjusting to a world with Covid-19. We feel the pressure of adjusting to constant change too. Please know that Opening Doors will keep your health and safety our number one priority. We will share updates with you as soon as we know what is needed. We look forward to a future full of opportunity and exploration.