An accessible water park, traveling tips, and an author crowned Ms. Wheelchair Florida 2017, all this and more in this issue of Accessibility for All.

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Recent News

Visually Impaired Rowers Testing Navigational Prototype

The Visually Impaired Persons Rowing Society has been testing a navigational system prototype called "Mr. Beep". This beeping navigational system helps make rowing more accessible!

This New Disability-Friendly Water Park is the Coolest Thing You’ll See Today

Morgan's Inspiration Island is an accessible water park in San Antonio, Texas. People with disabilities are granted free entry to enjoy attractions like a giant tree house and a pirate ship! The park is open every day of summer up until mid-August, and every weekend for the rest of the year.

Wheelchair Rugby Boosts Palm Beach County's Paralympic Stature

Upcoming Events

What To Do When the School Bus Stops Coming
Monday, July 3, 2017
10:30am-12:30pm Eastern Time
Broward County, FL
The West Regional Library is hosting a free workshop for parents who have a teenager with disabilities. This workshop will go over how parents can help their teens with disabilities plan for the transition from adolescence to adulthood.

Mental Health First Aid
Wednesday, August 2, 2017
9:00am-5:00pm Eastern Time
Boca Raton, FL
The Boca Raton's Promise for Mental Health is hosting a course for adults dealing with youth mental health. The course is free of charge. The Course Manual and a light lunch are provided.

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Sports Club of Palm Beach County to the bronze level. One of the more established teams is the South Florida Rattlers wheelchair rugby team.

Author and Anti-Bullying Advocate Crowned Ms. Wheelchair Florida 2017

Katherine Magnoli was crowned this year’s Ms. Wheelchair Florida. She is an author who is using her victory to spread her anti-bullying message. She recently published a children’s book series about a superhero in a wheelchair called "The Adventures of KatGirl". She also co-hosts an online radio show and runs a writing group at her local Center for Independent Living.

Arts for All: Teachers Learn to Eliminate Art Barriers

While school is out for the summer, educators are attending workshops to help improve the education they provide to students during the school year. One of the workshops attended by art teachers focuses on making art accessible to students of all different abilities. "Accessible Arts: Designing Art and Music Lessons for All Students" was a two-day seminar attended by nearly 40 educators.

Make Every Day Independence Day: Give a Dog a Job

Canine Companions for Independence is a non-profit that provides people with...
Nearly 5,500 assistance dogs to people with disabilities.

Some Locals Say More Work is Needed for Disability Access in Bay County

While Bay County has worked to make itself more accessible since the passing of the ADA, it has many older buildings that were grandfathered in. People with disabilities have a more difficult time trying to make their way through the city for work and leisure activities than residents without disabilities.

Tips, Briefs, & Guides

Disability Etiquette Guide

This guide is useful for people working in a healthcare setting, retail workers, or anyone who comes into contact with people with disabilities. It goes over person-first language and the do's and don'ts when interacting with a person with disabilities.

Tips for Applicants with Disabilities Applying for Federal Jobs

The U.S Equal Employment Opportunity Commission provides tips to people with...
disabilities applying for federal jobs, explaining everything from looking for job vacancies to the rights people with disabilities have in the hiring process.

**Tips for Travelers with Disabilities**

Summer is prime time for traveling. This guide gives tips to people with disabilities traveling to Europe, which often has older, non-accessible cities and buildings.

**Savings Guide for People with Disabilities**

Groceries can be one of the most expensive thing on a person's weekly budget. This guide gives tips to people with disabilities on getting the most discounts while shopping.

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