

Salud, Future Volunteers

gd Cliff Notes:

What We've Done:

- Game Day, downtown Dayton
- Born Learning Trail, Fairborn

What's On Tap:

- Social: Tuesday, July 28, 6 p.m. at Blind Bob's (Oregon District)
- Volunteer Speed Matching: August 11, 6-8 p.m. at SunWatch Indian Village/Archaeological Park
- greaterDAYTON Planning Meeting: August 12, 6 p.m., Blind Bob's
- School Supply Drive: August 12- September 9
- greaterDAYTON Planning Meeting: 6 p.m., location TBD
- Make a Difference Day, Saturday, October 24

Get In Touch:

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You have received this message because you have indicated that you would like more information about greaterDAYTON, a volunteer organization for young adults living in the Miami Valley who want to make their community a better place to live – and have a good time while you're at it! This message will tell you what we've been working on so far and what's to come.

All These Things We've Done...

To bring you up to speed, greaterDAYTON has taken on family-friendly Game Day April 4 at Fifth Third Field in conjunction with the Dayton Dragons' home opener against the Cincinnati Reds. We painted faces, inflated balloons, played games and good times were had by all.

Our most recent project was creating a Born Learning nature trail at the Fairborn Senior Center and subsequent River Blast social event that took place May 23. Here's a re-cap from **Events Chair Greg Patterson**:

"First, a word of thanks to everyone who came out to help build the Born Learning Trail. If you were unable to make it, you missed an awesome event. The Born Learning Trails promote fun and games – important

components of early childhood learning. Research tells us children are literally "born learning." That means five years of education take place before they ever enter kindergarten. We know success in life and school readiness are dependent on what happens in a child's early years, and we want to help parents, grandparents and caregivers use everyday outings - including trips to the Trails - to support that learning.

The greaterDAYTON crew rolled up their sleeves and worked on placing poles in the ground, hanging signs, laying brick paths, and digging out other areas. All in all, the day was filled with good times and good deeds for the Fairborn Senior Center and Fairborn residents who will enjoy their new learning trail. Thanks once again to you all!

~ Greg Patterson, events chair

On the Horizon

- We've got good news and great news: The good news is there's an upcoming opportunity for you to find out more about greaterDAYTON; the *great* news is this is completely a social event. We will meet at **6 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, at Blind Bob's** (430 E. Fifth St., Dayton) in the Oregon District. Come down and meet the greaterDAYTON team and share your suggestions. We want to know what kinds of activities you're interested in doing, whether you want to plan an event, who else might be interested in joining, what your astrological sign is – OK, maybe not, but we would like you to get to know us, and vice versa.
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- From the people who brought you speed dating, may we present volunteer Speed Matching. Generation Dayton and United Way's Volunteer Connection are teaming up again to bring this fun and fast-paced opportunity to YOU! That's right, similar to the speed dating concept of meeting people for a brief amount of time and deciding who you'd like to pursue and who you definitely are NOT going to call. All of this.... without the pressure and awkwardness of a blind date, **Volunteer Speed Matching, 6-8 p.m. August 11 at SunWatch Indian Village/ Archaeological Park (2301 W. River Road)** is your opportunity to "meet" several volunteer agencies. About 20-25 local agencies will each get 3 minutes to impress you with their activities and agendas. You get to decide who you're going to "hook up" with. You'll get a score sheet so we know your preferred agencies, and if you want a "second date," you'll only be contacted by those agencies.
 - **RSVP here** by **August 3rd** to secure your spot at this limited-reservation event. Don't worry; it's free, so this is one date where you won't have to pick up the tab.
- The next **greaterDAYTON planning meeting** is slated for **6 p.m. August 12**. Once again, we'll be at **Blind Bob's** discussing the next big volunteer event. These meetings will take place on the second Wednesday of every month. The location is not permanently set at **Blind Bob's**, we just really like it there. We'll be happy to host something in your neck of the woods. Our upcoming volunteer event will be a school supply drive with Crayons to Classrooms. To find out how you can get involved, stop by our planning meeting, or shoot us a message if you can't make it.
 - The Crayons to Classrooms School Supply Drive will continue from August 12 through September 9.
- **September 9**, coincidentally, is greaterDAYTON's next **planning meeting**. Same time (**6 p.m.**), but the location is TBD.
- Want to be a part of something big? greaterDAYTON will join lots of other organizations for Join Hands Miami Valley – the region's collaboration for **Make a Difference Day on Saturday, October 24**. Help us make this the biggest year ever and make Dayton a better place to live.

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Good times. Good deeds.

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