

People First Quarterly Newsletter January 2020



- **Fall Dance-** What a great turnout! We had around 30 people come this year and it was a very good time. All the advocates who attended were able to win door prizes, pumpkins or mums. We want to thank our DJ, Avery, and all the individuals who attended this fun evening. People First gave a donation of \$75 to New Creations Lutheran

- **November People First Meeting-** Our fall people first meeting was on November 20th. We had a Pot Luck Thanksgiving Dinner and many people brought different dishes to try. People First was able to provide the meat, turkey. There was also a gift exchange that many people participated in.



- **Christmas Giving Back-** It was voted on at our September meeting to give back to our Soldiers and donate items for those who are away from their families this Christmas. We were able to donate many items to go towards this cause. The Red Cross was very grateful for our help with donations.
- **Knap Sack-** We have had a lot of support with helping serve the community for KnapSack. On average we typically help out 100 families.



- **Taco dinner fundraiser-** People First sold roughly 70 tickets presale and 16 tickets at the door. The total amount of ticket sales was around \$612. People First expenses were \$175, the profit from this fundraiser was roughly \$437. Thanks to all of those who helped and volunteered to make this Taco Dinner a success!



- **Donations-** Thank you cards have been sent to IGA, Hermillers, Kohls, Walmart, Teds and New Creation church for their help and donations for our Taco Dinner fundraiser!

- **Big Meetings-** January 22nd from 5-6:30PM we will have our first big meeting of 2020. This will be held at the Putnam County ESC in Room 2. We will be serving a light dinner. We will have guest speakers, Rachel Erford and Seth Sorg, from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities to discuss how they help people find work in the community.
 - Next big meeting is on March 18th.
- **People First 2020 Calendar-** We will have calendars available at the big meetings for anyone who would like one.
- **Dances 2020-** The dances for this upcoming year will tentatively be April 17th at New Creations Church and October 23rd at the Putnam County ESC in the auditorium.

Upcoming Events to remember:

- January 15th- Large People First Meeting.
- February 10th – Officers Meeting
- March 4th DD Awareness Kickoff in Columbus
- March 9th- Officers Meeting
- March 18th – Big meeting
- April 7th Regional Advocacy Meeting
- Relay for Life -May