

JULY 2013

Calendar of Events

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Americans with DISABILITIES ACT
1990 - 2013

Happy Birthday

Online Webcasts and Webinars

Webcast ADA Update

July 9

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Sponsored by Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [Job Accommodation Network \(JAN\) website](#)

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Webinar: AT Bootcamp Part 1

Foundational Concepts in Assistive Technology

July 9

2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Sponsored by Assistive Technology Industry Association

Cost: \$49. Registration required.

Visit: [Assistive Technology Industry Association \(ATIA\) website](#)

Webinar: Transition Planning

The Dynamic Process for Parks, Recreation and Tourism

July 10

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [ADA Conferences website](#)

Webinar: Section 508

Accessible Web Content / WCAG 2.0

July 11

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Sponsored by Assistive Technology Industry Association

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [Accessibility Online website](#)

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Online Webcasts and Webinars

Webinar: ADA Anniversary Update: 23 Years Later

July 16

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Sponsored by Assistive Technology Industry Association

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [ADA-Audio website](#)

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Webinar

Using the iPad with Visually Impaired Students in the Classroom

July 16

2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Sponsored by Assistive Technology Industry Association

Cost: \$49. Registration required.

Visit: [Assistive Technology Industry Association \(ATIA\) website](#)

Webinar

Air Carrier Access Act: Recent Regulations, Case Law and Issues

July 17

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [ADA Online Legal Issues website](#)

Webinar: The Anatomy and Myth of the ADA Drive-By Lawsuit

July 17

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Visit: [ADA-Audio Legal website](#)

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Statewide Events

- **Texas School for the Deaf Elementary Grades K – 2 Education Summer Camp**
July 1 thru July 12
8:00 am to 3:15 pm
 Held at Texas School for the Deaf, 1102 South Congress, Austin
 Sponsored by Educational Resource Center on Deafness
Cost: Varies Registration required. Overnight option available
 Contact: TSD at 512-462-5329 or 800-332-3873 or
 Email: ERCOD@tsd.state.tx.us or
 Visit: [ERCOD website](#)
- **Camp Jubilee**
July 6 thru July 12
8:00 am to 3:15 pm (ages 7- 14)
 Held at [Camp John Marc](#), Meridian
 Sponsored by Junior League of Dallas, Children’s Medical Center, and Cook Children’s Medical Center, Fort Worth.
Cost: FREE Registration required.
 Contact: Camp Jubilee at 940-441-2267 or
 Email: contactus@campjubilee.info or
 Visit: [Camp Jubilee website](#)
- **Mission Possible: An Inclusive Camp for youth with and without disabilities**
July 8 thru July 10
8:00 am to 3:15 pm (ages 7- 14)
 Held at Lake Brownwood
 Sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 4-H Center
Cost: \$175 Registration required.
 Contact: Texas 4-H Center at 325-784-5482 or
 Email: texas4-hcenter@ag.tamu.edu or
 Visit: [Texas 4-H Center website](#).

Statewide Events

- **Camp Ailihpomeh** (Hemophilia spelled backwards)
July 13 thru July 19
 (boys with bleeding disorders ages 7- 14)
 Held at [Camp John Marc](#), Meridian
 Sponsored by several Hemophilia clinics across the state.
Cost: Varies Registration required.
 Contact: Texas 4-H Center at 325-784-5482 or
 Email: Camp Ailihpomeh at info@camp-ailihpomeh.org or
 Visit: [Camp Ailihpomeh website](#)
- **2013 Texas Autism Research Conference**
July 12 thru July 13
 Held at Embassy Suites, Austin
 Sponsored by Texas Autism Research and Resource Center (TARRC), a program of the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services.
Cost: \$50 Registration required.
 Email: jenny@kessjones.com or
 Visit: [TARRC website](#)
- **2013 Ms.Wheelchair America Pageant**
July 15 thru July 21
8:00 am to 3:15 pm (boys with bleeding disorders ages 7- 14)
 Held at Hyatt Regency Downtown, Houston
 Sponsored by Ms. Wheelchair America
Cost: Varies Registration required.
 Visit: [Ms. Wheelchair America website](#)
- **Ms. Wheelchair America Pageant 2014**, July 15 – 21, Houston, TX; Held at the Hyatt Regency Downtown. Hosted by Ms. Wheelchair America. Cost: Varies. For more information, visit the **Bike MS: Cactus and Crude Bike Ride**, July 20 – 21; Bicycle ride fundraiser for the National MS Society. Ride begins in Midland; Day One ends in Big Spring; Day Two ends in Post. Cost: Registration fee \$25; Fundraising minimum, \$250. For more information and to register, contact Lyndee Groce at 806-725-0946 or lyndee.groce@nmss.org or visit the [Bike MS website](#).
- **Camp Esperanza** for children with cancer, July 20 – 26. Held at [Camp John Marc](#), Meridian. Sponsored by Children’s Medical Center of Dallas and the Bridewell Foundation. Cost: FREE;

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donations appreciated. For more information, contact Doreen Bruner at 817-633-2332 or visit the [Camp Esperanza website](#).

- **9th Annual TxP2P Parent Conference**, July 26 – 27. Held at Embassy Suites Conference Center, San Marcos; Hosted by Texas Parent 2 Parent. Cost: Varies. For more information and to register, contact Texas Parent 2 Parent at 866-896-6001 or visit the [TxP2P website](#).

Houston:

- **The Arc of Greater Houston Cruise to Progreso and Cozumel**, July 1- 6; for ages 18 and older. Cruise departs from Galveston. Hosted by The Arc of Greater Houston. Cost: \$1010/Members. For more information and to register, contact The Arc at 713-957-1600 or visit [The Arc of Greater Houston website](#).

Ms. Wheelchair America Pageant 2014, July 15 – 21, Houston, TX; Held at the Hyatt Regency Downtown. Hosted by Ms. Wheelchair America. Cost: Varies. For more information, visit the [Ms. Wheelchair America website](#).

Houston Standing Events

- **Water Exercise**
Mondays 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm
Thursdays 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Cost: FREE. Registration required.
Contact: Alfonso at 713.520.8670
- **Tai Chi**
Every Tuesday
10:30 am to 11:30 am
Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Cost: FREE. Registration required.
Contact: Alfonso at 713.520.8670
- **Tango**
Every Wednesday
1:00 pm to 2:15 pm
Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

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- **Texas Sled Hockey**

Every Saturday

10:00 am to 11:00 am

Sponsored by Texas Sled Hockey Paralympics Sport Club

Held at Ice Skate USA at Memorial City Mall

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Email: Jim O'Neill at jim@lonestarsound.com or

Visit: [Texas Sled Hockey website](#)

Houston Standing Events (cont)

- **Assistive Technology Computer Demonstration**
Monday - Thursday of Each Week
9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sponsored by Houston Center for Independent Living
Held at 6201 Bonhomme Road, Suite 150-S
Cost: FREE.
Contact 3 days before to schedule ASL or Real Time Captioning
Contact: 713.974.4621. 713.974.4621 Voice / TTY
- **Computer Access Training Program (CATP)**
Monday - Thursday of Each Week
8:00 am to 12:00 pm
Sponsored by Houston Center for Independent Living
Held at 6201 Bonhomme Road, Suite 150-S
Cost: FREE. Registration required.
Contact 3 days before to schedule ASL or Real Time Captioning
Contact: 713.974.4621. 713.974.4621 Voice / TTY
- **Families Coping with Adult Mental Illness**
First and Third Sunday of Each Month
4:00 pm to 5:30 pm
Held at St Peter's United Methodist Church
20775 Kingsland Blvd
Cost: FREE.
Contact Pat or Leon at 713.467.3764
- **Families Coping with Children and Adolescent Mental Illness**
Second and Fourth Sunday of Each Month
2:30 pm to 4:00 pm
Held at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church
12955 Memorial Drive
Cost: FREE.
Contact Bonnie Cord at 713.984.2538

Houston Standing Events (cont)

- **National MS Society Lone Star Chapter: After Hours**
First Monday of Each Month
6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Held at Lupe Tortilla, 2414 Southwest Freeway
Cost: FREE. Registration required. Ages 18 – 30ish
Contact: Chris Mays at 832-334.9023 or
Email: chmays23@yahoo.com or
Visit: [NMSS Lone Star Chapter website](#)
- **Families Coping with Mental Illness**
Third Monday of Each Month
7:15 pm to 9:00 pm
Held at Memorial Drive Methodist Church
12955 Memorial Drive
Cost: FREE.
Visit [NAMI website](#)
- **Families CAN Support Group**
First Tuesday of Each Month
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Held at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church
2353 Rice Boulevard
Cost: FREE.
Contact 713.743.5435 or 713.743.5592
- **Adolescent Bariatric Surgery Program Support Group**
Second Tuesday of Each Month
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Sponsored by Texas Children's Hospital in partnership
with HPARD's Adaptive Recreation Staff
Cost: FREE.
Contact: Kari at Texas Children's Hospital at 832.822.4868

Houston Standing Events (cont)

- **South Texas College of Law Legal Clinic**
(Family, Probate, Estate Planning)
Third Thursday of Each Month
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Cost: FREE.
Request reasonable accommodations by 3rd Monday
Contact MOPD at 832.394.0814 or
Email mopdmail@houstontx.gov
- **Houston Commission on Disabilities**
Second Thursday of Each Month
4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Cost: FREE. Open to the Public
Request reasonable accommodations by 2nd Monday
ASL Interpreters and CART provided
Contact 832.394.0814 or
Email: mopdmail@houstontx.gov
- **Monthly Dance Social for People with Disabilities**
First Friday of Each Month
Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray
Sponsored by The ARC of Greater Houston
Cost: FREE. Registration required.
Contact: 713.313.1652
Email: thearcofgreaterhouston.com

Houston MOPD Events

- **FREE. Visual Fire Alarms for Individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing**
July 1 - 31 (until alarms are given out)
Sponsored by Houston Fire Department, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities and FEMA
Note: Alarms will be distributed as long as available
Cost: FREE. to persons who are deaf or hard of hearing
Contact: MOPD at 832.394.0814 or
Contact: HFD at 832.394.6631
Email: mopdmail@houstontx.gov
- **Houston Commission on Disabilities Meeting**
July 11
4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray
Cost: FREE. Open to the Public
Request reasonable accommodations by July 5th
ASL interpreters and CART provided
Contact: MOPD at 832.394.0814 or
Email mopdmail@houstontx.gov
- **Be Aware! Be Prepared! Be Ready!**
July 10
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Sponsored by Super Heroes and Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities
Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray
Cost: FREE. Family fun. Meet the Ready Super Hero Team
Request reasonable accommodations by July 5th
Contact MOPD at 832.394.0814 or
Email mopdmail@houstontx.gov

Houston MOPD Events

- **South Texas College of Law Legal Clinic**
July 18
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Sponsored by MOPD and South Texas College of Law
Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray
Cost: FREE
Request reasonable accommodations by June 14th
Contact MOPD at 832.394.0814 or
Email: mopdmail@houstontx.gov or
Visit: www.houstontx.gov
- **Volunteer Parking Enforcement Training**
July 25
5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Sponsored by MOPD and Traffic Enforcement
Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray
Cost: FREE. Refreshments provided. Registration required.
Contact: Roland 832.393.8655 to
Request reasonable accommodations by June 21st
Email Roland.Delacerda@houstontx.gov
- **Water Spraygrounds**
July thru August
Time TBD
Sponsored by Houston Parks and Recreation Department
(HPARD) and HEB
Held at various locations across the city
Cost: FREE.
Contact: 832.395.7000
Visit: www.houstonparks.org

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Cost: Varies. Registration required
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- **The River Performing and Visual Arts Center**
barrier free classes in music, art, drama and dance
July thru – August 17
9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sponsored by Theater Under the Stars (TUTS) / The River
Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray
Cost: FREE
Contact: 713.520.1220

Houston Events

- **Annual Emergency Preparedness / People with Disabilities**

July 10

10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Sponsored by Houston Center for Independent Living (HCIL)

Held at PlazAmericas (old Sharpstown Mall),

7500 Bellaire, **1st floor, Community Room**

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact: HCIL 713-974.4621. Call by July 5 to schedule ASL interpreter

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- **Volunteer Parking Enforcement Training**

July 11

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Sponsored by COH / Traffic Enforcement

Held at 2020 McKinney

Cost: FREE. Refreshments provided. Registration required.

Contact: Roland 832.393.8655 to

Request reasonable accommodations by July 5th

Email Roland.Delacerda@houstontx.gov

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