



Women's Initiative

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Welcome

Welcome to the POWER newsletter! This monthly newsletter will keep you informed about meetings, mentoring, volunteer opportunities and volunteer project activities. Please contact Nicole Switzer, SCUW Enhanced Giving Coordinator at 937.492.2101 with questions or to volunteer.

Imagination Library

Did you know, when students start off reading far behind, it is nearly impossible for them to catch up? Literacy scores of children behind in reading remain significantly below average through the course of their education. Poor literacy places severe strain on our education system, and limits a child's opportunities for advancement and growth.

Imagination Library is a program that promotes literacy.

Through the program, children are mailed age appropriate books on a monthly basis



until they reach their 5th birthday. The books encourage reading and discussion between caregivers and children. The cost is \$25.00 per child per year for 12 books (\$2.08/book). The organizers are tentatively planning on launching Imagination Library in March. For more information on Imagination Library, visit:

<http://usa.imaginationlibrary.com/resources>

Special Olympics

4.25.15 – The Shelby County Special Olympics needs your help! The Olympics will be held at the Sidney Middle School on Saturday, April 25th from 12 noon until approximately 4pm. A minimum of ten POWER Volunteers are needed to do a wide variety of jobs from chaperoning athletes, to helping with events and awarding medals. Special Olympics is the world's largest sports organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, providing year-round training and competitions to more than 4.4 million athletes in 170 countries. To volunteer for this event contact Nicole Switzer at



nswitzer@shelbycountiedway.org, or call at 492.2101. Let's show our support for this program that has such a positive impact in the lives of so many.

Snooty Fox Bus Tour

4.19.14 – The Snooty Fox is a chain of upscale consignment shops in the greater Cincinnati area. The consignment chain provides high quality fashions at reduced prices. The bus tours 5 locations in the Cincinnati area. During the tour you will receive a discount on everything you purchase. Refreshments are served all day, beginning with Mimosa's, coffee and Tim-Bits. Panera Bread boxed lunches and assorted snacks are available at other stops, with a special dessert at our last stop. The tour bus will depart from Sidney High School Memorial Stadium Parking Lot at approximately 8:00 am, and will return to the stadium at approximately 7:00 pm. Profits from this event will go towards POWER programming. Tickets are \$45, and are on sale now. Please reserve your spot as soon as possible, they are selling fast!

