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November 2016

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Billing Days:

Tuesday, November 1st
Wednesday, November 16th

Billing is due on the 1st and 16th of each month, unless it is a weekend or holiday. Then billing is due on the next business day. Remember, all paperwork must be turned in at the ELC Phoenix location by noon on billing day. This includes: cover sheets, time sheets, and habilitation summaries. No exceptions.

Late paperwork will be processed for the next billing cycle and will affect the issuance of your paycheck.



Autism Speaks Walk Success!

A big shout out to Team #SEEKStrong who raised **\$1,735.00** for Autism Speaks! It was a fantastic day filled with fun, music, and a wonderful sense of community. We had an awesome team of walkers join us for the day and represent S.E.E.K. Arizona. Thank you to all who walked and donated to Team #SEEKStrong!

Team Captain--Chantel Lientz; *J eimmy Angel, Kristina Bartell, Ben Becktold, Lia Becktold, Bob Blackburn, Jean Blackburn, Alyssa Brown, Amy Brown, Chase Brown, Melanie Cain, Ryan Cain, Kaci Chmarzewski, Jesus Cisneros, Michele Clarke, Alisha Clause, Alexandria Conrad, David Conrad, Heather Conrad, Brandon Hamilton, Jenna Hamilton, Jessica Irwin, Eric Isip, Callie Joiner, Josh Lara, Bree Lientz, Brent Lientz, Cali Lientz, Larissa Macias, Katie McKenna, Ashley Miller, Karlyn Richard, Krista Santacruz, Courtney Smith, Ellen Sohus, Brianna Steele, Lisa Truesdell, Rachel Van Gorp, Justin Wilmeth, Frankie Wilson, and Milica Wilson.*



November is Choking Prevention Awareness Month

During the holiday celebrations from October through December, the risk of choking increases. With parties and events the holidays are a social time and people become distracted while eating and drinking. The foods served over the holidays also increase choking risks like hard candies, caramel, meat and cheese platters, and fruit.

Many members may have a diagnosis that increases their risks for choking, like PICA, cerebral palsy, epilepsy and autism. It is very important to know and follow your member's choking risks to maintain their safety.



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3rd Annual #KINDAAwesome Morning!

We are excited to be holding our 3rd annual #KINDAAwesome Morning at the Phoenix Rock Gym in Tempe next Saturday, November 5th from 8am-10am. This is a FREE event for all families, employees and volunteers



Check out [S.E.E.K. Arizona's Facebook Page](#) to see all of the pictures from this year's Autism Speaks Walk!

Camp Runamuk: A Dino-Mite Adventure

Another successful Camp this year.

The Foundation for Exceptional Kids hosted another fantastic Camp Runamuk. Thank you to all of the volunteers that made this weekend possible for our families:

Mackenzie Alexander, Michele Clarke, Alisha Clause, Michelle Crain, Courtney Dunn, Barb Ficker, Steve Finn, Alexis Fragoso, Hunter Gravenmier, Brandon Hamilton, Jenna Hamilton, Jessica Irwin, Maria Johnson, Jordan Kaplow, Alex Martinez, Dave Meer, Erika Osborn, Brian Puffer, Alexis Ridgway, Nicole Saidi, Courtney Silverman-Moss, Bri Steele, Isabella Tapia, Nancy White, Justin Wilmeth, Samantha Workman, and Jenny Zhang.



If you would like to see all of the pictures from this year's Camp Runamuk, go to the [Camp Runamuk Facebook Page!](#)

Mark your calendars for the 10th Camp Runamuk--October 6-9, 2017!

of S.E.E.K. Arizona and is hosted by the ASU Outdoors Club and KIND Snacks! The Phoenix Rock Gym will only be open for SEEK Arizona, so it's a great way for families to come and check out the facility and do some climbing. All ages and abilities are welcome. If you don't want to climb, that's ok too! The entire gym is padded and is a great place to just hang out and watch everybody climbing. The gym will supply the shoes and harnesses and the ASU Outdoors Club volunteers will be there to get climbers up on the walls. KIND Snacks will be there with yummy treats for everyone too. We hope to see you all there!

Take Additional Trainings and Earn Bonuses!

This is a reminder to all S.E.E.K. Arizona Direct Care Providers--we offer optional training classes that you can take and earn hours to your next tier raise and/or bonus! We will be holding Cultural Competency 101 on November 12th. Direct Care Providers who take this class will earn 100 hours for their next tier increase. Class space is limited! Contact [Michele Clarke](#) for more details or to register.

Quick Links:

[Calendar](#) of Events
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Our Locations:

[S.E.E.K. ELC](#)
[Therapy Clinic](#)
[Therapy House](#)

KIND[®]Awesome Morning

The Arizona State University Outdoors Club, along with KIND Snacks is inviting you to a #KINDAwesome Morning at The Phoenix Rock Gym

When: Saturday, November 5th 2016

What Time: 8am-10am

Where: Phoenix Rock Gym
1353 E University Drive
Tempe, AZ 85281

Come rock climb and have a KINDAwesome Morning with us! This event is FREE for all families of S.E.E.K. Arizona!



Belayers will be provided by the ASU Outdoors Club



Halloween Tips for Kids with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Halloween is an exciting holiday for kids, but it may offer certain challenges for children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Members of the Autism Parent Advisory Board of the Boone Fetter Clinic at Children's Hospital Los Angeles Autism Treatment Network site partnered with Kathryn Smith, RN, DrPH, nurse care manager in the Boone Fetter Clinic, to provide tips every parent and caregiver can use during the Halloween season. Preparation and planning can help you stay stress-free. Whether this is your child's first Halloween or not, here are some ideas to help you and your child enjoy the holiday.

Before Halloween: Tips for Kids with ASD

-Create a visual story of what Halloween may be like for your child, with some pictures or drawings. This will help your child prepare for the day's activities.

-Try on costumes before Halloween. If the costume is uncomfortable or doesn't fit right, it may cause unnecessary distress and ruin their fun.

Visit the Autism Speaks Blog to [read this article in its entirety.](#)

Fall Family Happenings

Check out these FREE kid-friendly events around the Valley. KINDAwesome Morning at the Phoenix Rock Gym, Nov. 5th, 8am-10am. Join SEEK Arizona, the ASU Outdoors Club, and KIND Snacks for an



awesome morning of rock climbing! This event is FREE and only open to SEEK Arizona families and staff. All ages and abilities are welcome. The gym will provide shoes and harnesses and the ASU Outdoors Club volunteers will help get all of our participants up on the walls. Phoenix Rock Gym--1353 E. University Dr. Tempe. Contact Michele@seekarizona.org for more information.

Arizona Harvest Festival, Nov. 5th 4:00pm-11:00pm. Presale general admission is \$8 online and \$10 at the door. \$8 at the door if you bring a non-perishable food item, to be donated to the United Food Bank. Kids 12 and under will be admitted for free. Dr. AJ Chandler Park 178 E Commonwealth Chandler, Arizona 85225 <http://www.arizonaharvestfest.com/>

Gilbert Days. The Old West is coming back to Gilbert for the town's annual rodeo. The fun kicks off with a Pony Express ride on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8. The professional rodeo is Nov. 14-16, followed by the annual parade and family festival Saturday, Nov. 22, which includes a half-marathon and wellness events. Nov. 7-22. Various times and locations. gilbertdays.org

Tom Laveen presents 'Kindergarten Bootcamp'. Through 11/21: Kindergarten Bootcamp gives parents tools, information, and activities to help prepare their children for school success in a fun, educational, and interactive setting. Bootcamp consists of one-hour sessions for children who are preparing to enter kindergarten. Under the guidance of Tom Laveen, early literacy specialist and author of several teen novels, parents and caregivers will work with their children on skills to prepare kids for kindergarten and a successful school experience. Call or go online to RSVP. Details: 1-2 p.m. Mondays--Nov. 7, 14 and 21. Changing Hands Phoenix, 300 W. Camelback Road. Free. 602-274-0067 changinghands.com

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