



DSAOC's **Mission** is to create a place for connection, information and hope for people with Down syndrome and their families throughout greater Orange County, to promote Down syndrome awareness through community outreach, and to offer programs, services and support that aim to empower individuals with Down syndrome to reach their full potential. Our **Vision** is to be a one-stop-shop for all things Down syndrome related, and to be a model organization for community collaboration and Down syndrome awareness, to change perceptions and change lives.

Looking Forward in 2017

OC Bike Camp – August 7 – August 11, SOKA University
Teen/Adult Bowling – Saturday, September 9, Irvine Lanes
Teen/Adult Boo Bash Dance – Saturday, Oct 7, Mater Dei
Trick-or-Trunk – Saturday, October 21, GG Elks Lodge
DSAOC Sibshops – Saturday, October 21, DSAOC Center
OC Buddy Walk – Sunday, October 29, Angel Stadium
Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, Dec 2, GG Elks Lodge
Red Carpet Ball – Saturday, March 17, 2018, Phoenix Club

For more information about DSAOC events visit
www.dsaoc.org

OC Buddy Walk

2017 Orange County Buddy Walk!
Save the Date—Sunday, October 29
 Angel Stadium of Anaheim from 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

Live bands, exciting exhibitors, food & fun, DJ Willpower, special guest, bounce houses, rock climb wall, acro-bungee and much, much more!

REGISTER TODAY!

Register your team, Join a team, Donate to a team, or sign up to Sponsor – dsaoc.donordrive.com/event/bw17

Want to learn more about DSAOC's Orange County Buddy Walk?

Visit <http://www.dsaoc.org/buddy-walk.html> for more information and to view photos and video.

CONTEST TIME – FRONT COVER OF BROCHURE! All teams with a team total of \$1,000 or more by midnight, 8/22, will go in the drawing. Runners up will have the opportunity to have a photo featured on the Angel Stadium Jumbo-Tron.

Stay Connected...

Like us on **Facebook & Instagram** to get up to the minute information, news, and see photos of events.

www.Facebook.com/DSAOC
www.Instagram.com/DSAOC



Support/Networking Groups

Circle of Friends Support & Networking Group
Thursday, August 3
from 7—9 p.m. at the DSAOC Center

Circle of Friends: Make friends, and share the challenges, milestones, and triumphs as you raise your child. Expectant parents are also welcome. Child care is not provided, but your little one with Down syndrome is welcome to accompany you.

PRESENTATION: UCI and Infant/Toddler CPR

7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. – Angela Lukowski is an Associate Professor and Vice Chair of the Department of Psychology and Social Behavior at UC Irvine. Understanding the emergence and development of recall memory and generalization abilities in children with Down syndrome is of critical importance to maximize to effectiveness of the intervention programs in which they participate. Such research is necessary because these basic cognitive abilities are recruited each and every time children participate in invention programs: children must encode what is presented to them, remember learned information over the long term, and apply their knowledge in various contexts and across different cues.

8 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. – Barbara Bodenhofer is an RN (University of California Clinical Nurse III) with 31 years of experience at the University of California, Irvine. She has a B.A. Psychology from UCI, and worked as an elementary school substitute teacher until changing careers to Nursing. At UCI she worked in several units including Pediatrics, Pediatric ICU, Post-Anesthesia Care Unit, and the Emergency Department. And she used to work at the Adult Down Syndrome Clinic. Barbara is a licensed and trained CPR Instructor. She will be presenting on infant/toddler CPR, how to do compressions, and Q&A.

Please RSVP to admin@dsaoc.org or (714) 540-5794

Homeschool Friends

Meets on most Mondays – Schedule can vary

Please call our center for info

Starts at noon at the DSAOC Center

The Homeschool children in this group are participating in a special program. Parents are still welcome to join for discussion and networking with the other parents, however, you will need to call to confirm if we can accommodate additional children in the program at this time.

Questions? Email admin@dsaoc.org