

STRIDE August E-News!



Congratulations to 2021 Volunteer & Athlete of the Year!

Anthony Curro & Marleah Lybolt

Congratulations to Anthony Curro, 2021 Athlete of the Year and Marleah Lybolt, Volunteer of the Year! Anthony has a success story that embodies everything about the STRIDE way of life and its amazina transformative power. Anthony was diagnosed at age two without speech, with Autism Spectrum Disorder. He began his journey with STRIDE in 2016 at a SCORE Camp weekend that paired him with a **Wounded Warrior**



mentor. Ever since, there hasn't been a program STRIDE offers that Anthony hasn't attended Read more about Anthony!

Marleah is a 21 year-old Occupational Therapy Assistant who just graduated from Maria College. She aspires to work in public education and has put her talents and training to great use as a STRIDE volunteer. Marleah came to STRIDE as a participant, but she realized how much she wanted to help others after camping with a visually-impaired athlete at SCORE Camp in Chatham. Marleah jumped into the water with both feet (literally) as a volunteer with STRIDE's swimming program. Read more about Marleah!

Ride 4 STRIDE / Annual Brewfest

When Warrior Stephen Onley approached STRIDE with a request to use SCORE camp for national meeting of American Infidels Veteran Motorcycle Club as a fundraising opportunity - it was a perfect combo for continuing the Brewfest and former Motorcycle Ride 4 STRIDE. Two events /one cause! And what a breeze of a ride from



Chatham HS to <u>S&S Farm Brewery!</u> The club and ride raised over \$10K, the Brewfest raised a few thousand more and together the event was a huge success, with very little effort! Photos from the event can be found HERE.





Wounded Warrior Boot
Camp and Veteran Camps

The annual tradition of 'Boot Camp Weekend' returned this August, pairing kids and veterans for an action packed

weekend of



- Ages 13 & Up
- Must be able to swim
- Must have parent/ or caregiver to assist in & out of water
- Space is Limited

To enroll contact: Megan Evans; mevans@stride.org, (518)598-1279

Fall 2021 Tennis



Indian Meadows Park Jason Morris Way, Glenville, NY (off of Droms Road)

Sunday's 3-4PM & 4-5pm (Ages 8-21) 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3,10/10, &10/17

Program Leader: Dave Graham

aiver on file. The \$25 administrative fee has been waived at this time

the length of the class. A parent or caregiver must remain with th nelp with hand over hand instruction.

order to sign up for the class, you must call or email

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STRIDE Fall Golf



Route Fore Golf Center 391 N Greenbush Rd, Troy, NY 12180 Sunday's 9:30am (Ages 8-21) 9/12-10/17

Program Leaders:

all participants must have a current STRIDE registration and new liability wais . There will <u>not</u> be a \$25 admin fee to participate. Donations are accepted

All participants must wear a mask and maintain social distancina throughout the length of the class. For more STRIDE Return to Play Information, visit our webs

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Tony & Kelly Curro

activity. The weekend begins with a veteran reconnect dinner in Chatham, NY, to meet and socialize before youth campers attend on Friday night. Campers arrive learning militarybased skills, drills,



and activities such as salute, walk in formation, and fold a flag. On Saturday, the group headed to Jiminy Peak Aerial Adventure park and high ropes course for challenging and team-based activity. Big thanks to Lansingburgh VFW for their longstanding support cooking a delicious steak dinner, which was followed by campfire music entertainment by Dave Graham. Sunday included target shooting with air guns.

Several other veteran weekends have been ongoing through the summer with similar activities and success. A big thanks to Move United Sports for their grant support! Photos are HERE!

Sailing Summer Success

After a year off the water, our sailors were happy to get back on the helm. A full roster of 10 sailors met every Monday night at the Saratoga Sailing Club to learn more about the sport of sailing.



The participants were not just along for a beautiful ride. They learned:

- Sailing terms and parts of the boat
- How a sailboat works
- Basic sail trim and sail controls
- How to rig the boat for sailing
- How to read the wind
- Changing directions by tacking and jibing
- Essential sailina knots
- Safety basics
- Rules of the road and on-water navigation aids

STRIDE is very thankful to the club members that donated the use of their boats along with their time. A special thanks to the program leader, Anthony Cannone, who stepped up into a leadership role this season.



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SHARE Center

Benefits the Community - - ,

*Conference rooms/ party spaces available for constituents / community. All spaces have state of the art electronics and sound.



Meet a client, host a staff training/meeting by reserving one of our spaces. Available spaces include:

- $\cdot\,\,$ 1st floor Warrior/Family lounge (seats 20) informal seating for roundtable meeting with kitchenette.
- · 2nd floor conference room (seats 40) with kitchen.
- · 2nd floor Board room (seats 15-20) formal table seating.
- \cdot Outdoor large patio setting with grill and Bocce court (40-50).
- *Activities happening in-person at the SHARE Center:
 - Zumba on Tuesday evenings
 - Circuit training and Barre classes
 - Yoga Monday evenings
 - Pilates Thursday mornings
 - Individual Fitness training sessions
 - Alter-G Anti Gravity trainings
 - Wednesday HIIT class

When the weather is nice the large doors are open; classes are filling up; and amazing talent coaches inclusive classes! STRIDE athletes/volunteers are free; Guests can join in classes for a suggested donation of \$15 per class.

Contact mevans@stride.org for sign-up! More added every month! Did you know?...these programs are for ANYONE, inclusive!

<u>Family/ Individual Volunteer</u> <u>Opportunities:</u>

- Social media
- Outdoor lawn care/ gardening work at our sites
- Sport program volunteering is back!
- Cleaning for SHARE and office

Contact mwhitney@stride.org if interested

GET WELL WISHES GLOBALLY to all those suffering or affected by COVID-19



- Get Well wishes to
 athlete Gracie Spillman after surgery.
- Get Well wishes to athlete Bridget Hotaling
- Big thanks to LJ Whitney and Tom Wilson for helping install AC in the gym!
- Big thanks to Steve Pechacek for assisting in getting AEDs for SCORE and SHARE
- Congrats to Adaptive Golfer & Honorary BOD member John Robinson on his first Hole-in-one!
- Deepest Sympathy to the family of Jiminy Peak Ski Patrol Pete Anderson. (<u>Obituary</u>)
- Thanks to Empire Blue employees for spending a day at the SHARE Center working/cleaning!
- Thanks to NPA Financial for hosting a charity golf

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 Big thanks to Columbia County Sherriff Dave Bartlett and the Corrections department for SCORE grounds maintenance



We have a very active "SOCIAL" life at STRIDE! Join us on Facebook, for all the latest and greatest activities and resources.











Family Camping @ SCORE

Come enjoy the great outdoors with your family and get a breath of fresh air!



Reserve your families space to camp on our 85 acre campgrounds Weekends available starting in May!

Suggested donation: \$20/night

Resources that would be available:

- . Tent & Cots Grill with propane tank
- Camping chairs
- Campfire wood

For more information to reserve a weekend: call or email Megan-518-598-1279/ mevans@stride.org

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