

SWOHF

A newsletter for the friends and family of
the Southwestern Ohio
Hemophilia Foundation



NOTES

2026 ISSUE #2

JOIN us

Gather your family, friends, and neighbors to walk or run
for bleeding disorder awareness.
Every step makes a difference!



**SWOHF 16TH ANNUAL
BLEEDING DISORDER
AWARENESS**

RUN/WALK 5K

IN SUPPORT OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO HEMOPHILIA FOUNDATION

SEPT 19

SATURDAY

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5K BEGINS AT 10:00 A.M.



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2026 SWOHF EVENTS



AUGUST TBD NOVO NORDISK EDUCATION DINNER

AUGUST 13-15 NBDF CONFERENCE ORLANDO, FLORIDA

AUGUST 18 ALL OHIO VIRTUAL PROGRAM PFIZER



SEPTEMBER 10 PFIZER DINNER, THE BOAT HOUSE, TROY

**SEPTEMBER 19 5K BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS WALK/RUN
RICE FIELD, MIAMISBURG OH**

SEPTEMBER 24 CSL EDUCATION DINNER



OCTOBER 4 FALL OUTING

YOUNG'S DAIRY FARM, YELLOW SPRINGS, OH

OCTOBER DATE TBD NEW FAMILIES EVENT



**NOVEMBER 14 WOMEN'S DAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM & LUNCH
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JULY 31-AUG 2, 2026



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FAMILY EDUCATION WEEKEND

JULY 31 - AUG 2, 2026



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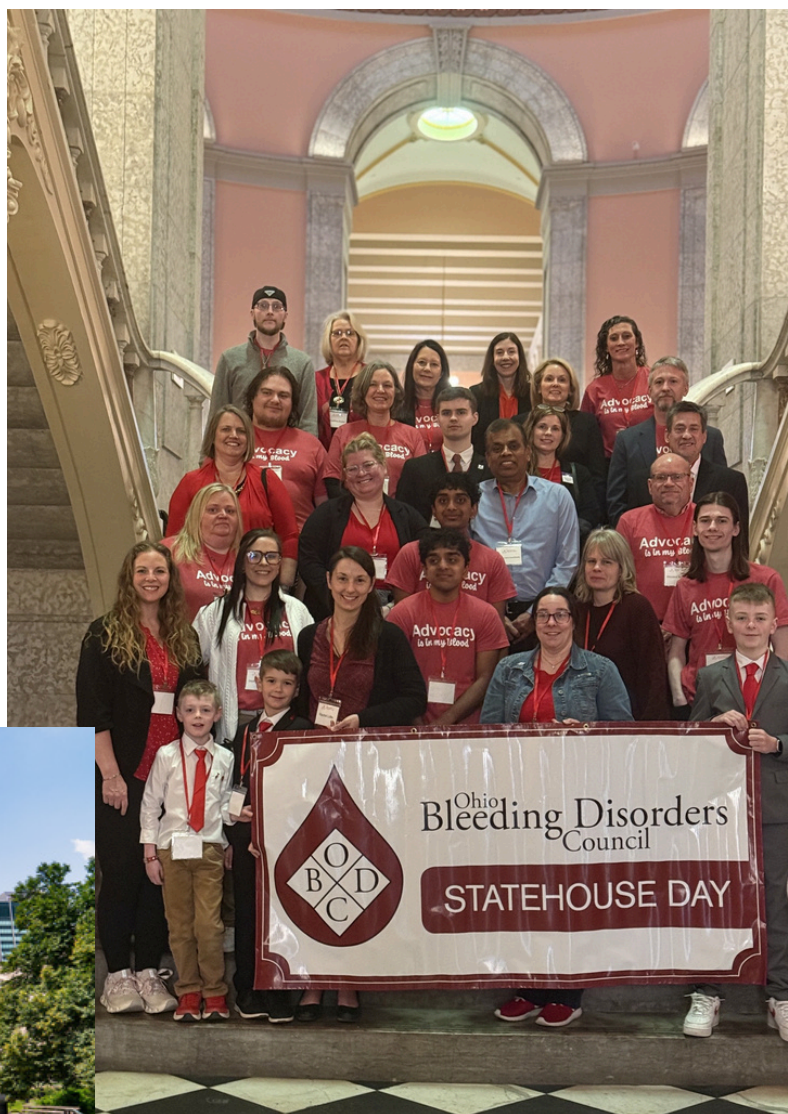
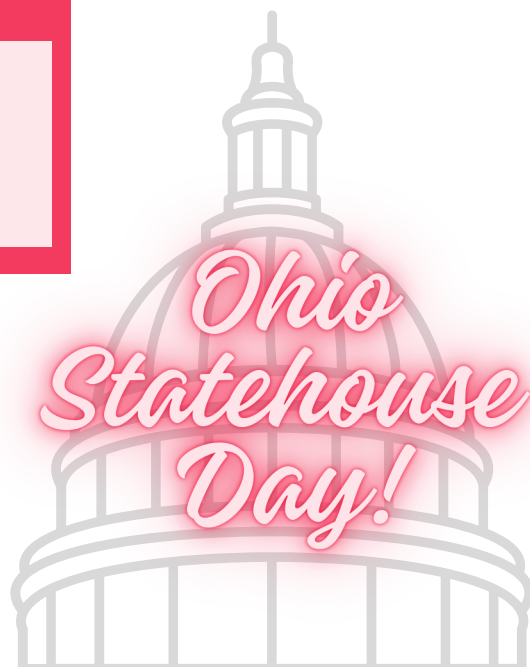
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INFORMATION**

ADVOCACY



Ohio Bleeding Disorders Council

On March 25th, the Ohio Bleeding Disorders Council held its annual Statehouse Day. In person, our advocates attended 23 legislative appointments and raised awareness for bleeding disorders by passing out information and over 100 cookies within the statehouse. This year we were excited to provide an action alert from Hemophilia Federation of America for those not able to make it to Columbus; over 50 participants engaged in advocacy by sending emails to lawmakers' offices. During the in-person meetings, advocates provided educational information on bleeding disorders, and shared personal impacts of cost-sharing requirements and medical debt related to programs that force patients to pay high out-of-pocket costs. It's not too late to advocate! Watch for more action alerts to be sent out to share messages with the legislature to ban copay accumulators in Senate Bill 207. Passage of similar bills have prohibited copay accumulators in 26 states, PR and DC, all since our original bill was introduced in Ohio eight years ago. If you are dependent on copay assistance to have access to your treatment, please reach out to chair@ohiobdc.org to get involved in advocacy efforts.





“He said it was the best day of his life. My heart melted.”



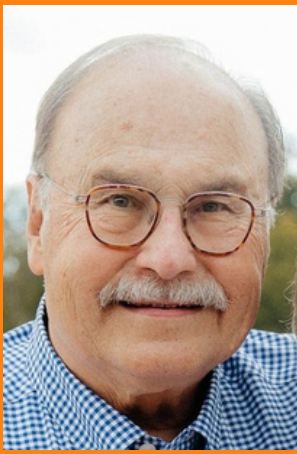
“He truly felt a part of something. The group of kids were so supportive of each other and cheered each other on. It was beautiful.”

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JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

May 1 — 3, 2026
Henderson, Nevada





HONORING THE LEGACY OF DICK MILLER: A TRIBUTE TO YEARS OF DEDICATION TO SWOHF BOARD

We are mourning the loss of our dear friend, Richard Miller. He was a devoted husband to Mary and a loving father to Brad and Ellyn. We share the family's grief as we say goodbye to an extraordinary member of our community. After his son Brad was diagnosed with hemophilia, Richard—known to many as Dick—dedicated himself to raising awareness of hemophilia and other bleeding disorders. His desire to understand these conditions inspired him to take action, and he became a leading fundraiser and ally for the foundation.

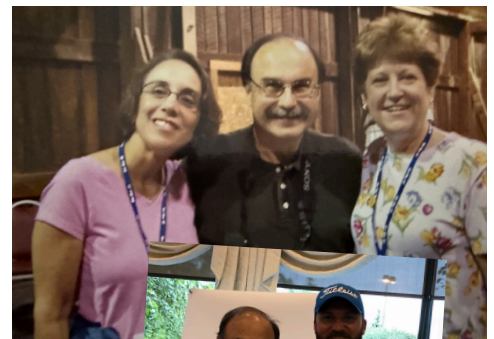
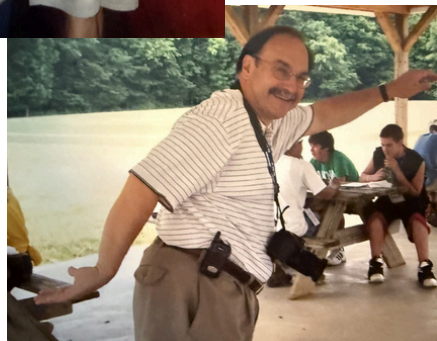
IN LOVING MEMORY of Dick Miller 1947- 2026

For many years, Dick served on the Board of the Southwestern Ohio Hemophilia Foundation, helped raise funds through the Brad Miller Birdie Busters golf outing, and then proposed a life changing endowment by creating the Brad Miller Memorial Scholarship. His years of leadership and service will be deeply missed. He worked tirelessly to improve the lives of people living with bleeding disorders, and words cannot fully express the loss of this devoted advocate.

Although this loss is painful, we can honor Dick's legacy by continuing the meaningful work that he and Mary modeled for all of us. This year marks the sixth year that the Brad Miller Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an eligible student. Everyone at SWOHF is deeply grateful for your continued kindness and commitment to this fund. If you have already given, thank you for your generosity. If not, we hope you will consider supporting this worthy effort.

Your generosity has funded scholarships for the following students:

- 2025 Justine Buell – Penn State University
- 2024 Gunnar Carlson – University of Dayton
- 2023 Chloe Henninger – Wright State University
- 2022 Patrick Toller – Wright State University
- 2021 Chloe Henninger – Wright State University



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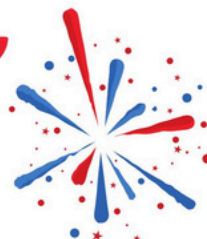
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2026 FAMILY FEST

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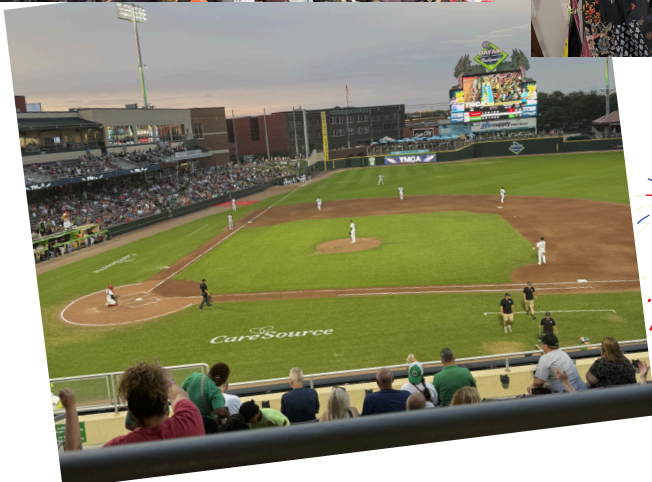
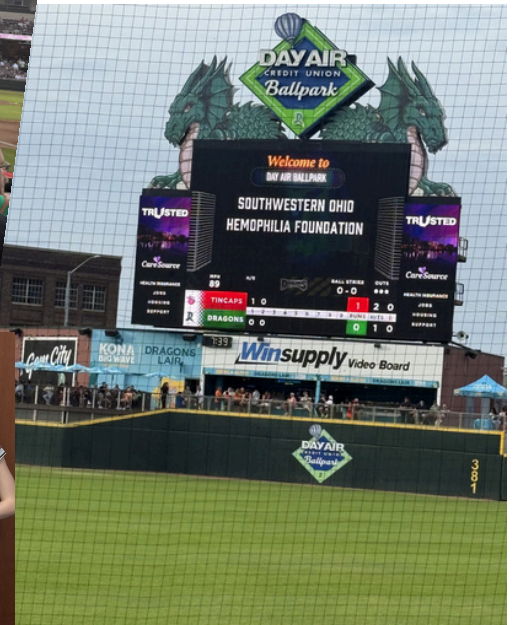
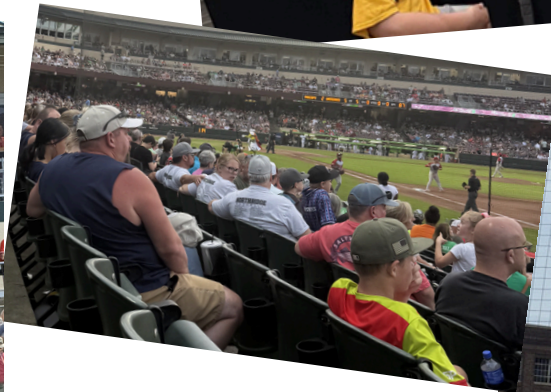
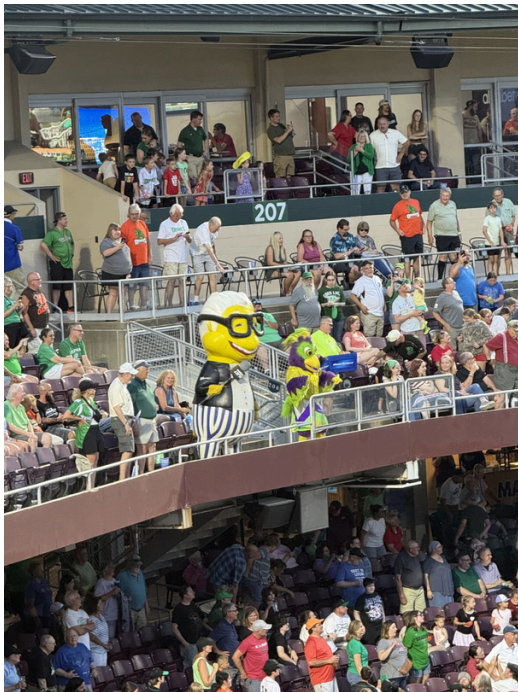
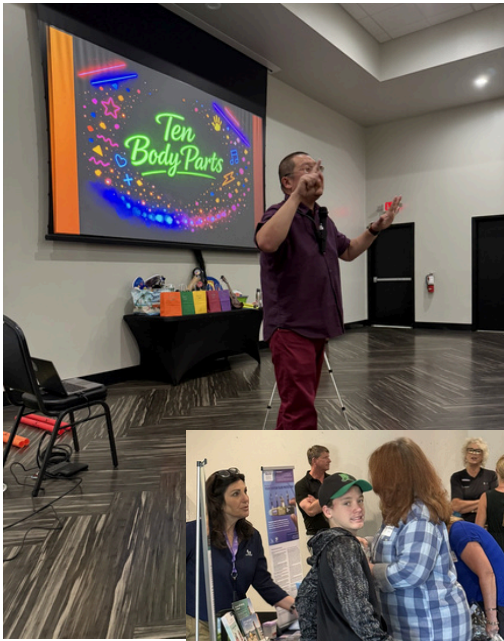


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YOU'RE INVITED TO AN
ALL OHIO VIRTUAL PARTNER PROGRAM
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2026
6:30-8:30 PM

Please join us for a live educational session to learn more about treatment with HYMPAVZI

Understanding a Rebalancing Therapy Option for Hemophilia: In this session, we'll dive into a rebalancing treatment option. From how it works to clinical trial learnings, you'll gain the latest information to help you or your loved ones understand this treatment option with confidence.

You'll hear: The science behind rebalancing therapy, clinical trial data, safety information, information on administration and shared decision-making tips for patients and caregivers



Dinner reimbursement provided

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DID YOU KNOW?

September is National Service Dog Month, a time set aside to raise awareness about these animals and the service they provide people in their care. Service dogs include guide dogs for the blind, hearing dogs for the deaf and mobility assistance dogs.

Fortunately, both federal and state laws offer protections for the use of service animals in various situations, including places of public accommodation, like restaurants. However, before a person who needs a

service animal can have any of the legal protections, he or she must have a disability, which is defined by each of the pertinent laws.

Many people don't realize there are actually **rules of etiquette** when you're in the presence of a service dog. There are helpful articles online you can reference for more information – check out “8 Do's and Don'ts for Behavior Around a Service Dog Team” at healthypets.mercola.com, as well as “7 Guide & Service Dog Do's and Don'ts” on parade.com



The general rule for service dogs is this: DON'T TOUCH OR DISTRACT THEM.

At SWOHF events, we value the special assistance that the service dog provides the owner; equally important is the safety of all individuals in attendance.

Children should never approach a service dog. If you are at a SWOHF community event/program and are concerned about a service dog, please notify SWOHF Staff or Board members immediately. A service dog's owner may be asked to remove the dog if it is out of control and the owner does not take effective action to control it or if the animal is not housebroken. If properly excluded for one of these reasons, the individual would be asked to leave the event and could return without the service animal.

In some states, there are laws that make it a misdemeanor to represent an untrained dog as a service animal and fines up to \$500 for an incident. Because there is currently no certification or official national registry of legitimate service dogs, there is no way to verify whether a dog has undergone rigorous training to become a service animal. However, trained service dogs don't go off-leash, bark, knock things off shelves, jump on people, play or fight with other dogs, or grab food off tables, trainers say.

Here's some info from a website that is a great resource to check out about service dogs in the State of Ohio -- www.disabilityrightsohio.org/service-animals

What is the definition of a service animal under Title III of the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act)?

A service animal is a working animal, **not a pet**. Regulations under Title III of the ADA define a service animal as any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability.

Are emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals considered service animals under the ADA?

No. These terms are used to describe animals that provide comfort just by being with a person. Because they have not been trained to perform a specific job or task, they do not qualify as service animals under the ADA.

What are the responsibilities of a person who uses a service animal in a place of public accommodation?

The service dog's handler must maintain control of the animal, and the animal must have a harness, leash or other tether. However, if a disability prevents the person from using those or if a tether would interfere with the performance of the dog's job, then the dog's owner must maintain control through other effective means, such as voice control or signals.



WHAT'S NEXT? YOU DECIDE.

At Genentech, we're committed to supporting the hemophilia A community in ways that go beyond treatment and focus on you as a person. From sharing real stories and experiences from our Patient Ambassadors, to an educational rap anthem for a hemophilia A treatment, to one-on-one support from a team of experts, we're here to help you take on what comes next.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SEE HOW
GENENTECH AND THE HEMOPHILIA
A COMMUNITY ARE EMBRACING
WHAT'S NEXT, TOGETHER.





HTC

On Your Feet-2026 Pilot Program

Everyone needs supportive, comfortable footwear—and this need is especially important for individuals living with a bleeding disorder.

Joint health is a vital part of managing life with a hemophilia diagnosis.

Dayton Children's Hospital and the Southwestern Ohio Hemophilia Foundation have partnered to provide supportive footwear to DCH HTC hemophilia patients. The goal is to improve access to **essential footwear** so patients facing financial hardship can receive safe, comfortable, and age-appropriate sneakers. This support may help reduce joint bleeds experienced by patients.

A staff physical therapist will assess patient needs during clinic appointments. Orders will be placed through SWOHF and delivered directly to patients. The program will be re-evaluated next year to determine future feasibility.



In 2026, Save One Life is celebrating 25 years of provides long-term, meaningful change in the global bleeding disorder community, one life at a time.



2012



2025



Learn how you can
celebrate with us!



India



In collaboration with Dayton Children's HTC, SWOHF continues its partnership with American Medical ID. They offer a great variety of quality products at a discount to Chapters. Additionally, their Customer Service is exceptional, their shipping is fast and their prices are reasonable.

Free products are included with every order: An emergency medical ID card, a small ID charm and an exclusive engraved rectangular "InCase" phone ID that easily attaches to your cellphone case or any flat object, such as a suitcase, briefcase or laptop.

SWOHF is grateful for grant funding and donations that facilitate these purchases on behalf of our Greater Dayton Bleeding Disorders Community. So when you go to the HTC for your next visit, you can view sample products available and complete a form to request a new bracelet or necklace according to Chapter guidelines.



SWOHF MISSION

Southwestern Ohio Hemophilia Foundation (SWOHF) helps improve the quality of life for those affected by hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, and other bleeding disorders by providing support, education, networking, advocacy and services to individuals, their families and the community.



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