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Getting to Know Bonnie Teeuwen:

-Bonnie Teeuwen (Chair, Board of Trustees) was featured this week as the newly-appointed chief operating officer for the City of Cleveland as part of Mayor Justin Bibb's administration. Bonnie has been Board Chair of Cleveland Sight Center since May, 2021 and a Board Member since 2016. To read the full feature, [click here](#).

What's Happening at Cleveland Sight Center:

-Come one, come all to the Spring 2022 Winner's Club! The program will be held on Tuesday, March 29th in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium at Cleveland Sight Center from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Join the Leisure & Lifestyle Services team to hear from several community activists about their personal and professional advocacy efforts. The presentations will be followed with a luncheon - the menu includes glazed ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, salad, and birthday cake - games and will finish with a prize raffle! We ask that clients interested in attending RSVP with Gabriella Drago (Leisure & Lifestyle Specialist) at 216-658-4598. If you are interested in volunteering for the event or donating a prize for the prize raffle, please contact Bobbie Szabo (bszabo@clevelandsightcenter.org.)

-The preschool hosted a small reading party this week as the students and teachers welcomed parents and guardians to the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium for a short presentation from Dorota Tomaszewska (Manager of Preschool Services) about why and how reading aloud to the children is so important and beneficial. She also presented some resources including websites that are free and can be used to enrich reading. From there, everyone moved to the preschool classroom where the students grabbed their favorite books and spent time reading with the grownups on comfy blankets and surrounded by stuffed animals. To close out the reading event, everyone enjoyed some snacks and more quality time together.



Image of Dorota Tomaszewska presenting to a group of parents
Image of a mother reading to her son as they both sit on a blanket
Image of a double-decker cake that resembles two books stacked on top of each other



-While it may technically still be the winter season, improvements continue at Highbrook Lodge in preparation for the spring and summer camp seasons! Kevin Pye (Camp Ranger) and Chris Gruber (Director of Facilities and Transportation) are rebuilding the south wall of Cabin Hall 2. Over the years water has damaged parts of the wall, which is mainly constructed of wood. They are working to remove the exterior and interior parts of the wall, including the windows and frames. The entire exterior wall is being rebuilt, the internal panels being reused and the cabin will be ready for this coming camp season!



Image of the exterior side of the building with the outside layer of wood siding removed

Image from the inside of the building with the windows removed and interior wall panels in place



-Leisure & Lifestyle Services is happy to welcome campers to Highbrook Lodge for a Winter Day Trip on Saturday, March 19th! The plan is to enjoy the end of winter...and hopefully ushering in spring! As always, vaccination against COVID-19 is required. The trip is \$10. To register, please call Gabriella Drago (Leisure & Lifestyles Specialist) at 216-658-4598; registration is now open; a confirmation call will be made when someone is successfully registered.

-Highbrook Lodge is hiring for seasonal staff members! We're looking for empathetic, dynamic, creative individuals to guide our campers and programs.

Positions include: Leadership Team (Staff Coordinator, Camper Coordinator), Aquatic Supervisor, and Specialty Areas (Marketing, Environment/Survival/Conservation, Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Housekeeping, Maintenance, Athletics, etc.)

must be available to live at Highbrook Lodge in Chardon, OH from June 11th, 2022 - August 7th, 2022 (staff will have time off, during which they can leave camp grounds)

To read more or to apply, click [here](#). Come join an amazing team in an amazing camp in Chardon, Ohio. For more information, please reach out to Bobbie Szabo (Leisure & Lifestyle Manager) at bszabo@clevelandsightcenter.org or 216-658-4597.

-Tom Sawyer (Outreach Specialist) visited Jenkins Place Senior Center in Olmsted Falls to give a "Tips Talk" and present information about Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities programs to seniors and staff at the facility. In addition, Outreach has been contacting senior-focused caregiver organizations and service providers to offer presentations for their staff while coordinating presentation dates through the fall of this year.

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-The Ohio Department of Aging is conducting a survey to help them better understand what matters most to older Ohioans, adults with disabilities, and their families and caregivers. The feedback and opinions gathered with this survey will be used to inform the creation of Ohio's 2023-2026 State Plan on Aging. This four-year State Plan will guide programs and services across the state. This survey allows you to answer anonymously and consists of easy-to-answer, multiple-choice questions. It should take you only 10-15 minutes to complete.

Take the Survey

The Department of Aging values your perspective and greatly appreciates your participation. Thank you for your contribution to ensure every Ohioan has the opportunity to live a long, healthy life with dignity and autonomy.

-Sunday, March 13th marks the return of Daylight Savings Time! Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night. Remember, "spring ahead, fall back."

Did you Know:

-Did you know Monday is Pi Day (3/14)? Pi is the most studied number in mathematics and is integral to the understanding of geometry. Pi also has uses in physics, astronomy, mathematics, architecture and construction. It has been a vital part of everything from arches and bridges to the Pyramids of Giza. Check out these fascinating facts about Pi.