



Keeping You “In the Know...” 1/19/18

Engaging the Community and Strengthening Partnerships:

- CSC hosted the Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio’s LeadDiversity program on Wednesday, January 17th. LeadDiversity is a 10-month program that approaches diversity and leadership issues from a no-fault interactive foundation with the goal of affecting positive social change. A select group of up to 35 professionals are chosen through a competitive application process. The class meets approximately once per month from September to June to visit locations and organizations around Northeast Ohio to engage with regional leaders in the corporate, non-profit, and civic arenas. Each session is designed to help participants explore the concept of diversity leadership and to analyze its personal, workplace and community impact. Wednesday’s session at CSC included topics on disability awareness, blindness basics and employment and featured presentations by Lisa Cellura, Rosalie Daley and Jessica Polack as well as a welcome and introduction by Larry Benders and Ali Thomas (2017 LeadDiversity graduate). Special thanks to the following for coordinating this highly impactful day for regional leaders: Lisa Cellura, Bobbie Christopher, Steve Frohwerk (2010 LeadDiversity graduate), Marcia Houston, Alicia Howerton, Scott Malone, Tina Pringpuangkeo, Tamika Smith, Fidel Swain and Ali Thomas.



CSC President and CEO Larry Benders and Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio President and CEO Peggy Zone Fisher



Set up of a poverty simulation activity titled "Archie Bunker's Neighborhood"

- New vision rehabilitation staff members of Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) visited CSC earlier this week where they received a tour of the agency from Alicia Howerton and met with representatives of the Employment Services department to discuss how CSC works with clients to gain meaningful employment.

- Tom Sawyer and Alicia Howerton and the CSC Road Show visited with the staff and facilities in the Medina area this week to discuss programs and services. They met with a staff member at Brookdale in Medina about CSC offerings who is also the president of Medina County Senior Services Networking Group, which CSC has been invited to join. Additional visits included the Medina County Office for Older Adults, Elmwood Court and Forest Meadow Villas.

What's Happening at CSC:

- CSC hosted a Job Club meeting on Thursday, January 18th and welcomed Kimberly Moss, Talent Manager from the Human Resources Division of Cuyahoga County Public Library, who discussed employment opportunities with the library, the hiring process and what makes a good candidate stand out from the rest. For more information on Job Club and February's meeting, contact Nicole Kahn (216-791-8118).
- CSC is recruiting young professionals to start a networking group that will focus on volunteering for opportunities offered by CSC, be ambassadors of the agency to raise awareness in the community and to assist in fundraising for CSC special events. The first event will be held Thursday, January 25th at CSC from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and will be a great evening of conversation, fun and discovery as input is gathered in further developing this group. Refreshments and free parking will be available! For more information, contact Jessica Polack (216-791-8118).



Become a part of

CLEVELAND SIGHT CENTER YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Meet other Young Professionals and change lives! Join us for a night of conversation, fun and discovery as we get your input in developing this group.

**January 25
2018**

5:30PM - 7PM

**1909
East 101st St.
Cleveland, OH**

RSVP to Jessica Polack: 216.658.4565 or jpolack@clevelandsightcenter.org
Refreshments and free parking provided!



Cleveland Sight Center

Our mission is to empower people who are blind or who have limited vision to realize their full potential and to shape the community's vision of that potential.

Invitation to the Young Professionals gathering

- Winter Weekend at Highbrook Lodge takes place the weekend of February 23rd – 25th. Campers will arrive to Highbrook Lodge at 6:00 p.m. Friday evening and depart at noon on Sunday. Cost of the weekend is \$65/camper. Transportation to/from CSC is provided for an additional \$15/camper. To register please call the Camp Department (216-791-8118).



The grounds of Highbrook Lodge covered in snow

- Are you a staff member who works with volunteers? Be sure to remind your volunteers to record their volunteer hours using the online Volgistics portal found [here](#). When volunteers record their hours using the Volgistics portal your department can:
 - Capture the impact volunteers make on clients and programs.
 - Illustrate the difference volunteers make when applying for grants or pursuing funding.
 - Reflect volunteer impact back to volunteers to thank them for their work and encourage them to continue making a difference.
 - Use reports to attract new volunteer talent.Volunteer hours should be recorded from October 2016 - present day. Volunteers who need assistance learning to record can sign up for assistance [here](#) or can contact CSC Volunteer Services at 216-658-4581 or mbresnahan@clevelandsightcenter.org. Please have hours recorded by January 26th, 2018.

Eyedeas Shop's Featured Product of the Week: Writing Guides

- The Eyedeas Shop carries several types of writing guides to keep you on the line and centered. Items available include two different size check writing guides, signature guides of many types, letter writing guides and even one for addressing envelopes. The typoscope guide is actually used to read text one line at a time or also can be used as a signature guide if needed. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$9.50 so stop in today to check out these great and useful items!



All kinds of writing guides

- Can't make it to the Eyedea Shop at CSC? Then check out the product offerings online at www.eyedeashop.com and purchase items from the comfort of wherever you may be!

Items of Note:

- The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) this week announced the 2018 winners of the Migel Medal, the highest honor in the blindness field: Larry Campbell and Ted Henter. The AFB Migel Medal was established in 1937 by the late M.C. Migel, AFB's first chairman, to honor professionals and volunteers whose dedication and achievements improve the lives of people who are blind or visually impaired. [Click here](#) for the full article and to read about the achievements of Larry Campbell and Ted Henter.
- CSC's Employment team partners with the Employment Collaborative of Cuyahoga County (ECCC) on hiring events throughout the year. The ECCC is offering the opportunity to purchase discounted Cleveland Cavaliers tickets to the February 27th game against the Brooklyn Nets. Ticket prices are \$28 (Upper Bowl Corners), \$40 (Upper Bowl Middle)

and \$69 (Lower Bowl Corners). A portion of the proceeds go to support ECCC hiring events. To purchase tickets, [click here](#).

Did You Know?

- On March 30, 1867, the United States reached an agreement to purchase Alaska from Russia for a price of \$7.2 million, approximately two cents per acre. Alaska accounts for more than 17% of the total acres in the United States...more than California, Texas and Montana combined.