

Keeping You "In the Know..." 5/13/16

"Exploring Sensation" Art Show at CSC:

 Cleveland State University art students and CSC present "Exploring Sensation," a juried exhibition designed to bring art into the world of those who are blind or have low vision. The Opening Reception was held on Thursday, May 12th in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium. Exploration hours of the artwork continue today, May 13th, from 11:00am – 4:30pm.



Sculptures of a bronze fist and foot



Laser-engraved heart on the front panel of a light box



Hands explore a bird sculpture and metal leaves on wood blocks



Engaging the Community and Strengthening Partnerships:

- Anthony Easley will present at the 2016 Cleveland Urban Minority Alcoholism Drug Abuse Outreach Project conference in downtown Cleveland on September 30th, part of the ongoing partnership with the Distinguished Gentlemen of Spoken Word, who have performed at CSC over the last couple years. The topic of his presentation is "perseverance is the only way to live" and will be delivered to young underrepresented boys and teens who are on a college track to overcome the environmental circumstances that surround them.
- A team of volunteers from Progressive's Real Estate division visited Highbrook Lodge on Wednesday, May 11th. The crew completed interior painting, outside weeding, and exterior painting. Said Camp Manager Lindsay Lowe, "They did an awesome job!"

Feedback from Independent Living Group Participants:

• Clients who have participated in the Independent Living group sessions being held around the community through the Senior Independence Fund have shared positive feedback.

-An attendee at the program at Westlake Village was very impressed with Erin's (St. Denis) presentation and thought she was a wonderful speaker.

-A Franciscan Village group participant stated that Bryan (Manthey) was very informative, thorough, and a very good instructor.

-A program participant at Myers Apartments stated that he was so grateful to Mary Jo (Chisnell) and all the time she took to teach the group.

To date \$845.00 has been given back to the Senior Independence Fund by the clients being served. They state that it is a great program and they want as many people as possible to receive the same training and service as they have been able to enjoy. For more information on this program, contact <u>Susie Meles</u> (216-791-8118).

More Feedback to Share...from the Technology Fair:

 Feedback from some vendors in attendance at the Technology Fair is listed below. Many positive sentiments have been passed along and some of the items being discussed for improvement include managing the traffic flow and event layout, as well as noise levels. Do you have comments, thoughts, suggestions about this year's event? Pass them along to <u>Anthony Easley</u>, <u>Steve Frohwerk</u>, or <u>Tom Sawyer</u> (216-791-8118) as dialogue begins for planning a bigger and better Technology Fair in 2017.

-"It was an electrifying day! Can't wait to do it again!"

-"You had a wonderful technology day and I was surprised at the number of people that attended. Good showing!"

-"It was awesome, and greatly exceeded my expectations."

-"Thanks again for including [us] in your first annual 2016 show. Overall we believe it was a very positive experience and show. Great attendees that were truly interested and excited to see what we had to offer and learn more about [us]."

-"You guys did a great job, especially for your first-ever fair. Seriously. I've seen fairs that were a few years "old" and weren't as well run."

Happenings in CYAS:

• Labels for Education is offering DOUBLE POINTS for the month of May! Please bring in any eligible UPCs and bottle tops to Lorie Marsalis as we help raise funds for Bright Futures Preschool!



May is Twice as Fun graphic with flowers

- Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 26th for Bright Futures Preschool graduation. The program begins at 10:00am in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium and the theme will be based on the book "The Very Hungry Caterpillar."
- With summer just around the corner, contact Sylvia Snyder (216-791-8118) for more information on the Summer Youth Work Experience (June 12th – July 15th) and Stepping Stones for Success career exploration (July 18th – August 5th) programs. More information, including flyers for both programs, is on the <u>CSC website here</u>.
- CSC's annual Teacher Workshop will be Thursday, August 11th. <u>Click</u> <u>here for workshop details</u>.

Qualified Staff Needed!

 CSC's summer residential camp, Highbrook Lodge, is still looking for qualified individuals to become a part of our summer camp team! Recruitment is still occurring for several Role Models as Cabin Leaders, a Nature Leader, and a Kitchen Assistant. Highbrook Lodge staff members gain invaluable skills while spending the summer helping clients grow and have a blast! All staff are required to reside on property. If you know of someone who is a hard working self-starter, not afraid to get dirty, and can roll up their sleeves and provide dailyliving care, sports, recreation, arts, theater and/or various other camping skills, and is able to be a role model and partner with campers/clients, please refer them to apply TODAY – and remember to take advantage of Human Resource's new PILOT Candidate Referral Program emailed this week! All job descriptions and the online application are available here: <u>https://csccamp.trackingtalent.com/opportunities</u>. Camp Manager Lindsay Lowe is also available to answer any questions applicants may have and can be reached via email at <u>llowe@clevelandsightcenter.org</u>.

May Job Club Meeting:

 The May Job Club meeting on Thursday, May 19th from 10:00am – 11:30am at CSC in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium will feature consultant and trainer, Steve Shober, BS, LSW from the Center for Evidence Based Practices at Case Western Reserve University. He will focus on the basics of Social Security programs and benefits planning, and answer questions about SSI and SSDI, blindness related expenses, and work incentives. Contact <u>Nicole Kahn</u> (216-791-8118) for additional details as the featured topic and program are confirmed.

What are You Doing June 18th?

 REGISTER NOW for this year's White Cane Walk, which is Saturday, June 18th at Legacy Village. The event will again feature the White Cane Walk, a 5K Run, and NEW THIS YEAR, a 1-Mile Stroll!!! <u>Click</u> <u>here to register</u> and don't forget to start your own fundraising team as well! For more information, contact <u>Steve Frohwerk</u> (216-791-8118).



White Cane Walk event logo

Congratulations, You're Awesome!

 Congratulations to Scott Malone, winner of the Random Acts of Awesome Award, who was nominated by Tina Pringpuangkeo.
Congrats to all who were nominated for this award, including these semifinalists:

-Jennifer Dean, nominated by Susie Meles

-Stanley Griffin, nominated by Ali Thomas

- -Carlton Toppin, nominated by Alexis Vickers
- -Debi Welsby, nominated by Steve Penberthy



Larry Benders and Scott Malone

Did You Know?

The fear of Friday the 13th is also called friggatriskaidekaphobia or paraskevidekatriaphobia. Friggatriskaidekaphobia comes from *Frigg*, the Norse goddess of wisdom after whom Friday is named, and the Greek words *triskaideka*, meaning 13, and *phobia*, meaning fear. Paraskevidekatriaphobia is also derived from Greek: *paraskeví* translates as Friday, and *dekatria* is another way of saying 13. Experts say that friggatriskaidekaphobia affects millions of people and estimate that businesses, especially airlines suffer from severe losses on Friday the 13th. For a month to have a Friday the 13th, the month must begin on a Sunday.