



## Keeping You “In the Know...” 5/6/16

### Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees:

- The [Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees](#) was held last evening at Corporate College East. In addition, the agency recognized members of the [Foresight Society](#), which was established to honor all individuals who have made the ultimate commitment of a gift through the establishment of a life income planned gift, some other deferred gift, or have made provisions in their estate plans to benefit CSC.

Board Chair [Tom Furnas](#) conducted the meeting, which announced the addition of five new members to the [Board of Trustees](#): [Suber S. Huang, MD, MBA](#), [Erin C. Ploucha](#), [Bonita \(Bonnie\) G. Teeuwen, G. Maxwell \(Mackey\) Toole](#), and [Susan H. Kimberly Turben, PhD](#). Board Trustee [Caroline Oberndorf](#) was given the distinguished honor of Life Trustee for her commitment to the agency, which began in 1952 when she volunteered at CSC while a student at Laurel School. CSC President [Larry Benders](#) presented the year in review during his remarks. To conclude the program, volunteer [Mike Musgrave](#) was presented with the [Partner for Life Award](#) for his significant impact to the agency through volunteer services, [Gabiella Drago](#) provided a client’s perspective as she told her story, Director of Development [Bill Spiker](#) talked how [Foresight Society](#) members are raising the bar for the agency, and [Larry Benders](#) spoke on building on success and positioning the agency for the future.



Board Chair Tom Furnas calls the meeting to order



Larry Benders gives his year in review



Mike Musgrave and Larry Benders with the plaque  
Dr. Anthony Easley, Dr. Michael Greenberg, Jassen Tawil



Alexis Vickers, Tom Furnas, Dr. Suber Huang,

## CSC and Secretary of State on Fox 8:

- As a follow-up to Secretary of State Jon Husted's visit to CSC on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, [click here](#) for the feature that aired on WJW Fox 8's newscast last Friday evening.

## "Exploring Sensation" Art Show at CSC:

- Cleveland State University art students and CSC will 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 will be on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm in the [Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium](#). Introductory remarks about the exhibit will be made at 6:30pm. Viewing hours for the artwork are 4:00pm – 7:30pm on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and 11:00am – 4:30pm on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to attend this free event; please pass along to clients and friends of the agency. For more information, contact [Desmond Kennedy](#) or [Steve Frohwerk](#) (216-791-8118).

## Happenings in CYAS:

- Students in CSC's [Bright Futures Preschool](#) have been patiently waiting to release their five butterflies. After watching them transform from caterpillars to cocoons to Monarch butterflies, the students released the butterflies into the sunshiny day on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The students also enjoyed a cello performance this week.



Students prepare to release the butterflies



Students wave goodbye as the butterflies lift off



Preschoolers listen to the cello performance



A preschooler touches the cello strings

- Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>) and [Stepping Stones for Success](#) career exploration (July 18<sup>th</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>) programs. More information, including flyers for both programs, is on the [CSC website here](#).
- CSC’s annual [Teacher Workshop](#) will be Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. [Click here for workshop details](#).

### Engaging the Community and Strengthening Partnerships:

- CSC participated in the quarterly meeting with Cleveland’s Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) Cleveland-area Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired (BSVI) team on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. BSVI Supervisor Brandan Wray along with several of his Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors and administrative staff met with members of CSC’s [Employment](#), [Rehabilitation](#), [Fiscal Management](#), and [Children & Young Adult Services](#) departments to discuss services, provide updates, and uphold ongoing communication between agencies. [Sylvia Snyder](#) shared information on CSC’s upcoming [Summer Youth Work Experience](#) program and the [Employment](#) team reported first half of the year outcomes.
- [Susie Meles](#) represented CSC at a conference of Summit County Buckeye Health Providers on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- [Lisa Cellura](#) and [Tom Sawyer](#) presented the “[Blindness Basics](#)” program and demonstrations of assistive technology products at Medical Mutual of Ohio on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

## 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 daily-living 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:  
<https://csccamp.trackingtalent.com/opportunities>. Camp Manager [Lindsay Lowe](#) is also available to answer any questions applicants may have and can be reached via email at [llowe@clevelandsightcenter.org](mailto:llowe@clevelandsightcenter.org).
- Some of the concrete around [Palda Cabin](#) was recently replaced, including a new ADA-compliant ramp into the cabin. Guide railings will be added during the next phase of the improvement project.



New concrete walkway and ramp outside Palda Cabin

### Items of Note:

- Save the date for the May [Job Club](#) meeting on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 11:30am at CSC in the [Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium](#). Contact Nicole Kahn (216-791-8118) for additional details as the featured topic and program are confirmed.
- REGISTER NOW for this year's [White Cane Walk](#), which is Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at Legacy Village. The event will again feature the [White Cane Walk](#), a [5K Run](#), and NEW THIS YEAR, a [1-Mile Stroll!!!](#) [Click here to register](#) and don't forget to start your own fundraising team as well! For more information, contact [Steve Frohwerk](#) (216-791-8118).



White Cane Walk event logo

## Did You Know?

- CSC is the first agency serving those who are blind or have low vision to achieve CARF accreditation, which happened in 1982. CSC has since received 12 consecutive three-year accreditations, with the most recent coming earlier this year.