

## Keeping You “In the Know...” 8/10/18

### What’s Happening at CSC:

- “See What’s Possible,” the annual educators workshop hosted by Children & Young Adult Services (CYAS), is being held at CSC today. Over 60 teachers, educators and school staff members who will work with students who are blind or have low vision in the upcoming school year are in attendance.
- Thank you to those who came out and supported and to those that promoted the Visionaries Happy Hour last night at Hofbrauhaus Cleveland! This was the first event that the Visionaries held and it was a huge success. Hofbrauhaus was buzzing with activity as over 80 people came out to support this event. While the funds from the evening are still being totaled it is safe to say they the Visionaries and supporters raised over \$1,000 for Cleveland Sight Center!
- Staff from Hyland Software visited CSC on Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> to volunteer at the agency, completing a variety of tasks including working with Annette Jakse to clean the PREP kitchen.



Hyland volunteers with Alicia and Annette



PREP kitchen looking sparkly clean

- Friend of CSC Antonio Dobyne recently passed the GED® test through CSC's Adult Literacy program in partnership with Cuyahoga Community College's Aspire program. Antonio is involved in many activities including CSC's Chess Club, the Cleveland Scrappers Beep Baseball Team and bowling. He is now contemplating next steps which include enrolling in a business program in college. Please congratulate him and wish him luck as he pursues his next goal!



Image of a smiling Antonio

- Bright Futures Preschool begins on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> with half days through Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. After being closed for Labor Day, school resumes with the whole day program starting Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. For information on preschool, contact Sylvia Snyder (x8777).

### Educating and Engaging the Community:

- Alicia Howerton and Desmond Kennedy coordinated interviews for first-year medical students at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) at CSC this week. The interviews are part of CWRU's Chronic Conditions Field Experience program and extended over a four-day period at the agency which included 16 CSC clients and families.



Alicia Howerton and Larry Benders with students and friends of CSC

- Alicia Howerton and Tom Sawyer presented the “Aging Eye” program at May Dugan Center in Ohio City this week, after which the group presented CSC with used eye glasses they had collected. Alicia and Tom also represented CSC on the NPR/ideastream radio show “The Sound of Ideas” with host Mike McIntyre. The radio program was also videotaped for live web use and airs on the Ohio Channel.

### Items of Note:

- CSC’s blog for the month of August is titled “A Volunteer’s Perspective.” To read about Mike Musgrave’s volunteer story and why he volunteers at CSC, [click here](#).
- The Cleveland Scrappers beep baseball team’s final game of the season is Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m against The Babes of Solon. The game will be played at the Solon Recreation Park, 6679 SOM Center Road and will be umpired by Ralph Johnson. Come on out for a fun afternoon!
- An article from the Society for Human Resource Management discusses the decrease in jobless rate for people with disabilities, hiring people with disabilities and how AI can make the workplace more accessible. [Click here for the full article](#).

- The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness is offering free Adult Vision Screening and Healthy Eyes Training Programs at the following:

**Twinsburg:** Tuesday, September 25, 2018 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm, Twinsburg Public Library, 10050 Ravenna Rd, Twinsburg, OH 44087  
*(Adult Vision Screening and HealthyEyes)*

To register copy and paste this link into your browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C5FQCVY>

**Parma:** Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Parma-Snow Library,-Conference Room B, 2121 Snow Road, Parma, Ohio 44134.

*(Adult Vision Screening and HealthyEyes)*

To register copy and paste this link into your browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SDZWSYC>

**Barberton:** Training is for individuals serving and/or living in the following counties: Summit, Stark, Medina, Wayne Thursday, October 4, 2018 10:30 am to 1:00 pm, Barberton Public Library, 602 W. Park Avenue, Barberton, Ohio

*(Adult Vision Screening Training only)*

To register copy and paste this link into your browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y8VXFFY>

- CSC's annual fundraising gala, Spellbound, will be held on Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at Windows on the River in downtown Cleveland. This year marks the 32<sup>nd</sup> year for the event and will feature guest speaker Rebecca Alexander ([www.rebalexander.com](http://www.rebalexander.com)). Rebecca Alexander is an author, psychotherapist, fitness instructor, volunteer and extreme athlete who, due to Usher syndrome type III, is almost completely blind and deaf. Consistently upbeat, Rebecca gives encouragement and inspiration to others who are facing their own challenges, whether physical or emotional, in interpersonal relationships or in the workplace. She has been featured on The Today Show, NBC Nightly News, The New York Times, USA Today and more. For additional information, [click here](#) or contact Steve Frohwerk (x4562).



Photo of Rebecca Alexander

### Did You Know?

- The word “queue” is the only word in the English language that is still pronounced the same way when the last four letters are removed.