

Keeping You "In the Know..." 8/19/16

CSC Golf Classic a Big Hit!

 This year's CSC Golf Classic was held Monday, August 15th at Westfield Group Country Club. For the second straight year, this tremendous fundraising and awareness opportunity is the result of the Employment team's strong partnership with Westfield Group's human resources department. Despite a few rain clouds to start the outing, it was a fantastic day for CSC and all those who participated. Participants from CSC's Golf Program played in the round along with CSC Board Trustees, friends of CSC, and leaders from Westfield Group. It was a great opportunity to establish partnerships, enhance existing ones, and continue to tell the CSC story. Thanks go out to all staff who participated as well as the following Board Trustees for their attendance and support throughout the day: Board Chair Tom Furnas, Bob Englander, Fred Jones, Howard Lichtig, John O'Brien, Sara Parish, Erin Ploucha, Gary Poth, Andy Sikorovsky, and Steve Willensky.



Marcia Houston, Sara Parish, Alicia Howerton, and Lisa Cellura at the registration table



Alexis Vickers, Nicole Kahn, and Phaedra at the CSC information table



Board Chair Tom Furnas welcomes all golfers



Golfers including Westfield executives and CSC Trustee John O'Brien, CSC associate Jack Desmond, and Board Chair Tom Furnas



Clock at the first hole with golf cart and course in the background



Final scoreboard posted on the pavilion wall

Strengthening Partnerships and Educating the Community:

 A group of 15 retirees from Eaton Corporation volunteered at CSC on Wednesday, August 17th. The volunteers prepared giveaway items for the upcoming "Senior Safari" community event being held at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo on Wednesday, August 31st. Some of the volunteers assisted sorting, cleaning, and readying the Bright Futures Preschool classroom for the upcoming school year. Also on Wednesday, Lisa Cellura presented the "Aging Eye" program to a group at Fairhill Partners.

- Judy Kinsely from the Helen Keller Institute in New York visited CSC on Thursday, August 18th where she met with Anthony Easley and Sherry Raymont. She toured the agency and the group discussed the possible partnership and development of programs that would benefit current and future clients CSC who are considered deaf/blind.
- Job Club met on Thursday, August 18th and welcomed guest speaker Jasmine Chandler, the North Ohio Area Work Incentives Coordinator from the Social Security Administration. Ms. Chandler gave a very informative presentation to refresh everyone's knowledge of SSI and SSDI benefits, and discussed other Social Security work incentive programs. Ms. Chandler fielded questions from everyone in the group, which included the Employment department, Ali Thomas, and other CSC staff members. For more information about Job Club, contact Nicole Kahn (216-791-8118).
- Trainings have begun for volunteers in the Preschool Vision Screening program. Led by Louise Miller, recent groups learning the process and techniques to vision screen include Lake County Christ Child Society, Jewish Federation of Cleveland, and students from Stautzenberger College. This program screened over 7,800 youngsters last fiscal year. For more information, contact Louise Miller (216-791-8118).
- Cleveland Sight Center will host an open house at the agency for associates of Cleveland Clinic Cole Eye Institute on Wednesday, September 7th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to learn more the services, programs, and opportunities to enhance the continuum of care for patients. In addition, food trucks will be on site!

Row, Row, Row:

 Join CSC's rowing team, the VIPERs (Visually Impaired Persons Enjoying Rowing), at the Summer Rowing League Regatta on Saturday, August 20th at the Cleveland Rowing Foundation, 1003 British Street, Cleveland, OH 44113. This event starts early Saturday morning and continues until early evening with Team VIPER scheduled to race sometime between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., which wraps up the rowing season for the participants.





Team VIPERs practice rowing on the Cuyahoga River

Eyedea Shop's Featured Product of the Week:

 New colors of the popular flashlight! Introducing "The Larry" in camouflage and "The Lucy" in pink! New looks on a great flashlight, but still the great low price of \$10.00!!



The Larry in camouflage



The Lucy in pink

Calling All Artists:

 Are you or do you know an artist who has blindness or low vision? Submissions are now being accepted for artwork to be on the cover of some of CSC's 2016 Holiday Cards! Please submit entries to Barbara Piascik in the Eyedea Shop by September 1st, 2016. Entries will be presented to a selection committee and are limited to two (2) per artist. If original artwork is not submitted, high resolution images of the artwork will be accepted. Artwork that is selected for Holiday Cards will be displayed in the Eyedea Shop and in the main lobby at CSC with the option to be sold. Interested buyers will be directed to the artist. Artwork that is not selected will be returned to artist.

Items of Note:

- Bright Futures Preschool begins Monday, August 29th. CSC is still accepting enrollment. Contact Sylvia Snyder (216-791-8118) for more information.
- Labels for Education Program Changes: As of August 1, 2016 only UPCs with the Labels for Education logo will be accepted and redeemed for points into registered schools' bank accounts. They have begun the process of removing the logo and expect there will be a limited number of products that contain these labels in stores through August 1, 2017. Once all Labels for Education logos have been removed from the products, UPCs will no longer be accepted. In the meantime, the banked points schools have accumulated, including Bright Futures Preschool, will not be affected.

For the current school year, Campbell's has continued with the Grand Stand for Schools Sweepstakes. Individuals enter their school to have a chance to be one of 100 schools randomly selected to receive a \$10,000 award to help with Bright Futures Preschool's needs. Enter at GrandStandForSchools.com for free. You can also upload a receipt of an eligible purchase for 5 bonus entries. Plus, you have a chance to win a \$175 Visa® Prepaid Card for your next grocery trip. For more information, visit GrandStandForSchools.com. Thank you for supporting CSC's Bright Futures Preschool through this program. For any questions, please contact Lorie Marsalis (216-791-8118).

 Spellbound, CSC's annual fundraising gala, celebrates 30 years in 2016! Save the date for this year's fundraiser, Saturday, September 24th at Landerhaven in Mayfield Heights. This year's theme is "Looking Back, Seeing the Future" and part of the evening will highlight CSC's Early Intervention program. Event invitations are now available! Contact <u>Steve Frohwerk</u> (216-791-8118) for additional information.

Did You Know?

 The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath is a hike and bike trail that stretches for 85 miles through Cuyahoga, Summit, Stark, and Tuscarawas counties. The scenic trail follows the path that mules once used to pull canal boats up and down the Ohio & Erie Canal, back when it was one of the easiest ways to transport passengers and goods in Northeast Ohio. Today, the trail is used by cyclists, runners, hikers, and more, including CSC's recreation program, drawing more than 2.5 million people annually. It passes through four county park districts, as well as Cuyahoga Valley National Park, and has something for everyone.