



Keeping You “In the Know...” 5/11/18

Don't Miss Out on White Cane Walk!

- This year's **WHITE CANE WALK** is less than a month away! This year's event will once again be held right here at CSC on Saturday, June 2nd! Register to walk, join a CSC staff member's or Board Trustee's team or create your own a team (adults \$15 includes event t-shirt; children 10 and under are free) at www.whitecanewalk.org. White Cane Walk is CSC's annual event to raise critical dollars needed to support our mission and raise awareness of our agency and the services we provide.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Register to walk, join a CSC staff member's team or create your own a team! Share the event with everyone you know! Spread the word on social media, send emails to friends and share the event brochure with others. Can't make it on June 2nd? Please consider a donation to this year's CSC team.

If you have any questions or would like help setting up a team please contact Steve Frohwerk (x4562 or sfrohwerk@clevelandsightcenter.org).

Engaging the Community and Strengthening Partnerships:

- Steve Jambrozy represented the Call Center and CSC at the Ohio Tourism Day, which took place in Columbus on May 9th on the Ohio Statehouse Lawn. CSC's Call Center handles phone call inquiries for the TourismOhio program. TourismOhio had some of the state's many diverse destinations, organizations, attractions and events represented. Steve strolled the grounds meeting many people at their tables who market their city, county, state office or business in

promoting tourism. Steve also filled up a big bag full of new information that will aid in the handling of calls this summer and throughout the year.



Steve Jambrozy stands among members of a band playing outside the Statehouse building

- Alicia Howerton and Tom Sawyer had a networking meeting with Medina Senior Services on Wednesday, May 9th. They also presented the “Aging Eye” Program at the Village of the Falls in Olmsted Falls and the “Tips, Techniques & Tools Talk” at Vitalia Senior Residences in Strongsville. Alicia and Tom visited the Golden Years recording session at GTB Medical Services Inc in Brunswick on Thursday, May 10th and presented the and “Tips, Techniques & Tools Talk” at Wiggins Place.
- Desmond Kennedy made connections and visits to medical offices and professionals this week, meeting with the staff at Western Reserve Vision Care in Beachwood to deliver CSC materials and discuss the referral forms and process. He also met with doctors and staff at University Hospital’s Eye Institute in Westlake and staff at University Eye Care and Surgery in Euclid to discuss CSC’s programs.
- Lisa Cellura presented the “Blindness Basics” program and information about CSC to a variety of groups this week, including the English Nanny & Governess School, students from Hawken School and a

second group of Cleveland Metropolitan School District students participating in their “True2U” career exploration program.

- Members of the Fairmount Temple and Fairmount Presbyterian Church Serve Council visited CSC’s Bright Futures program on Wednesday, May 9th where they presented ABC and number tactile books for CSC’s young clients to use in the classroom. The group is very committed to CSC and brings books to the agency each year. CSC Customer Service Representative (and Bright Futures graduate) Jack Desmond assisted in the making of the books with this group.



Youngsters enjoy the letter and number books

- Thanks to the Delta Gamma (DG) volunteers who came to help out with a “Cleaning at CSC” project during their finals week! Volunteers cleaned computer rooms and public spaces on Thursday May 3rd, wiping down phones, keyboards and surfaces. Another group of members volunteer on Friday May 4th, helping clean in the preschool, wiping down all of the toys in the therapy room and observation room, as well as outside toys. A huge thank you to DG volunteers who gave up time during their busy week!



Photo of the Delta Gamma cleaning crew

From Your Friends in the Eyedea Shop:

- This week's product of the week is Cleveland Cavaliers Lanyards. The Cleveland Cavaliers are doing great in the National Basketball Association playoffs so support the home team by purchasing and wearing one of these handmade lanyards made by Sylvia Snyder! Show your support and spirit and keep your key(s) or work ID where you need them to be. The lanyards are \$3.00 or 4 for \$10.00. Stop in and purchase one or several for all the sports fans in your life!



Variety of Cleveland Cavaliers lanyards

- The Eyedea Shop is in the process of making some changes on how technology demonstrations and sales of certain items will be handled going forward. Please refer all inquiries for software, IrisVision, CCTV, etc. and any other questions related to assistive technology products to Barbara Piascik in the Eyedea Shop.
- If you are or someone you know is an artist who is blind or has low vision, consider submitting artwork to grace the cover of some of the 2018 Holiday Cards. The requirements for this year's cards are as follows: artist must be blind or have low vision; two submissions per artist; if submitting in digital format, artwork must be 300 DPI, entry window is May 7, 2018 – August 10, 2018; submit entries to bpiascik@clevelandsightcenter.org. Cleveland-themed entries always do well. Any questions, please contact the Eyedea Shop (216-791-8118).
- 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:

- This week celebrates National Teacher Week. Please take a moment to recognize the wonderful educators on CSC's staff – from early intervention specialists to classroom instructors to school age students to rehabilitation teachers – all those who make a difference in the lives of CSC's clients each and every day. Thank you!
- Job Club met on Thursday, May 10th at CSC and enjoyed guest speaker John Germaine, Inclusion Specialist for Giant Eagle North/West division. John gave a presentation about what it is like to work in grocery retail and discuss possible positions with Giant Eagle.

- A group of young females inventors, all MIT graduates, are working on a product to provide real-time text-to-braille translation. For more information, [click here](#).
- Fashion Designer and friend of CSC Stephanie Nunn, who was the keynote speaker at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees, was recently highlighted on Cleveland.com for her fashion work. The article also talks about Stephanie's history and work with CSC. For the full article, [click here](#).

Did You Know?

- If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than there were before.