



Keeping You “In the Know...” 9/8/17

Spellbound is One Week Away!

- There is still time to get seats to CSC’s annual fundraising gala, Spellbound, which is Friday, September 15th at Landerhaven. This year’s event is “An Evening to Empower” and will feature Author & Speaker Michael Hingson as well as raise important funds for CSC’s Empowerment Fund. Michael Hingson, blind since birth, escaped the World Trade Center on 9/11 with his guide dog, Roselle. From the day he received his first guide dog at age 14, Michael has developed skills in leadership, trust, teamwork, adaptation – skills he passes on to readers and listeners. For more information on Michael, [click here](#). If you have interest in attending, please contact Steve Frohwerk (216-791-8118) for more information on the event. Tickets are available for purchase [here](#).

What’s Happening at CSC:

- CSC's Bright Futures Preschool is enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year. Cleveland Sight Center offers specialized instruction and educational opportunities to children ages 3-5 at Bright Futures Preschool, which is licensed by the Ohio Department of Education and located within CSC's main building. Contact Sylvia Snyder (216-791-8118) for more information.
- Join the Therapeutic Recreation team on Tuesday, September 12th for the highly anticipated return of Latin Dance! Latin Dance classes will be taught by guest instructors from the Viva Dance Studio every Tuesday at CSC from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium. No previous dance experience is necessary, just come

ready to move! For more information, contact Mollie Evans (216-791-8118).

- Applying for jobs can be stressful – CSC’s Job Club wants to help! Join their next meeting at CSC on Thursday, September 28th at 10:00 a.m. in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium as Lindsay Svarovsky and Mollie Evans from CSC’s Therapeutic Recreation team discuss signs of stress and offer tips, strategies and resources on how to manage personal or work-related stress. Contact Nicole Kahn (216-791-8118) for additional information.
- Highbrook Lodge offers adult seasonal camps in addition to the summer schedule. Seasonal camps are much like summer sessions, except condensed into a wonderful weekend with activities based around the season! Register by calling/emailing Lindsay at 216-791-8118 or camp@clevelandsightcenter.org.

Fall Weekend 2017: Friday, Oct 13 – 6:00 p.m.; Depart Camp: Sunday, Oct 15 – 12:00 p.m.

Winter Weekend 2018: Arrive to Camp: Friday, Feb. 23 – 6:00 p.m.; Depart Camp: Sunday, Feb. 25 – 12:00 p.m.

- CSC welcomes Charles Palmer from Low Vision Aids, Inc. to the agency on Monday, October 9th to demonstrate the Patriot Voice Plus, a standalone scanning device which integrates high quality, accurate, text to speech in a compact design easily moved around the home or office. The Patriot Voice Plus is Wi-Fi enabled for internet voice searches. The demonstration is open to staff, clients, customers and outside eye care professionals and will be from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. For more information, contact Tom Sawyer (216-791-8118).

Strengthening Partnerships:

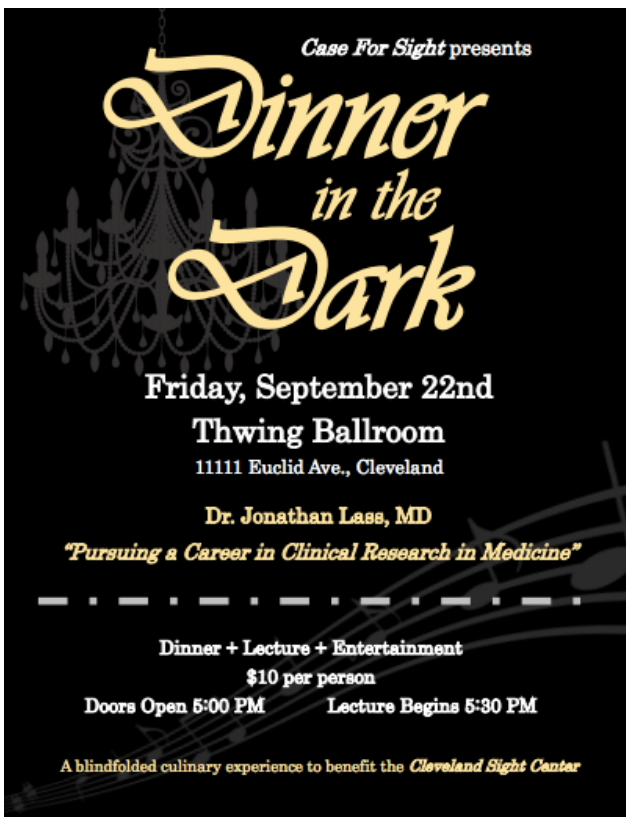
- Mollie Evans met with representatives from the Cleveland Playhouse and Playhouse Square this week to help with their ongoing efforts to make their productions more accessible. The Cleveland Playhouse will put on an accessible performance of *Shakespeare in Love* on Saturday, September 16th, complete with audio description, a pre-show lecture and discounted tickets for individuals with vision loss. If you are interested in purchasing these tickets, please contact Lisa Gallowitz at lgallowitz@clevelandplayhouse.com.
- Lillian Robinson is a student in the Aspire Adult Literacy Program (ABLE program), a partnership between CSC and Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C). Lillian has been a student in this class for the past year and recently turned 95 years old on August 28, 2017. Lillian has been attending classes for two years at CSC showing improvements in all areas of study. She has excellent attendance and attended the Women in Transition Program at Tri-C prior to CSC. She was referred to CSC's ABLE program through Women in Transition. Larry Benders presented her with a proclamation of this milestone earlier this week.



Lillian Robinson with the proclamation certificate

- Desmond Kennedy visited with Craven Eye in North Olmsted and MetroHealth's Broadway Health Center this week.

- CSC partners with students from Case for Sight for the annual “Dinner in the Dark,” a blindfolded culinary experience to benefit CSC, on the campus of Case Western Reserve University on Friday, September 22nd. Lisa Cellura will provide an explanation of the “clock method” as it relates to one’s plate and table settings before guests have dinner. Jonathan Lass, MD will present on “Pursuing a Career in Clinical Research in Medicine”. The event is held at the Thwing Ballroom at 11111 Euclid Avenue in Cleveland. Tickets are \$10 for dinner, the lecture and entertainment. For more information, contact Lisa Cellura (216-791-8118).



Dinner in the Dark promotional graphic

Eyedeas Shop's Featured Product of the Week: Reizen's Wonderful Slice Knife

- The Eyedeas Shop's new Reizen Wonderful Slice Knife is a great addition to the arsenal of helpful gadgets in the kitchen. It has an adjustable slicing guide to make consistent size slices of varying thicknesses with ease. It is constructed of stainless steel and has an

eight-inch long serrated blade. The knife works best for right-handed chefs and recommended it be hand washed as needed. The price is \$30.00.



Reizen's Wonderful Slice Knife

- 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:

- Thanks to Dan Blake from the Office of Secretary of State Jon Husted for the smoked food at last week's potluck lunch at CSC. Thanks as well to Bob Thomas for his assistance on the grill and all staff members who contributed a food item to share.



Dan Blake and Bob Thomas at the smoker grill

- Feedback about an intern's experience was recently posted on an online job site. Thank you to all staff for making CSC such a welcoming environment and great place to work!
 - I wasn't an official employee just a college intern. I was provided the opportunity to work in the various departments of the agency. I love everything about this agency. I feel that this agency is a great example for how all social service agencies should operate. The majority of the staff resembles the target population serviced by the agency which is phenomenal. Who would better service a population better than its counterparts? This agency provides services for every aspect of the sight impaired client life and openly invites sighted family and friends to be a part of their events and community.
 - Pros: Work doesn't seem like work in this environment.
 - Cons: It would be nice if all work atmospheres resembled this one, but most don't.
- During last weekend's college football action, University of Southern California player Jake Olson, who lost his vision at age 12, snapped the football on an extra point kick attempt during the fourth quarter of the game.

Did You Know?

- Russia and the United States are only two miles away from each other.