

# Keeping You "In the Know..." 1/4/19

# CSC Receives Another 4-Star Rating from Charity Navigator!

 Cleveland Sight Center has attained another 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, America's largest and most-utilized independent evaluator of charities. This coveted 4-star rating was awarded for the period of January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 for demonstrating strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. The award is the highest possible rating and indicates that CSC adheres to sector best practices and executes its mission in a financially efficient way. CSC exceeds industry standards and outperforms most charities in this area of work. This exceptional designation from Charity Navigator sets Cleveland Sight Center apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness. <u>Click</u> <u>here to review CSC's information on Charity Navigator's website</u>.



CSC's 4-Star Rating Certificate

# Happy New Year!

• Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year! Another brand new year is here so recharge your energies and get set to enjoy. Thanks for your great work in 2018 and all the best in 2019!

# What's Happening at CSC:

- CSC's recreation programs, including participation in the USABA National Fitness Challenge, and clients participating in health and wellness activities at the agency were recently featured in an article on cleveland.com. To read the full article, <u>click here</u>.
- Have you heard of Vision Therapy, including how and why it works and who could benefit from it? Would you like to know more? Grant Vision Care is a private optometric practice in Cuyahoga Falls that specializes in behavioral optometric therapies for children and adults of all ages. Along with Dr. Drusilla Grant, Dr. Samantha Zaczyk has focused her training on vision development and vision rehabilitation. Their practice includes a variety of types of vision therapy, neuro-rehabilitation after brain injuries, syntonics (phototherapy) and vestibular vision therapy. They evaluate and address the core issues related to convergence insufficiency, ADHD, autism, learning disabilities, binocular vision disorders, traumatic brain injuries, strokes, concussions, Cerebral Palsy, Multiple Sclerosis and other neurological conditions. Dr. Zaczyk will give a presentation open to all interested CSC staff members on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium to explain vision therapy and the services offered and will be available to answer questions. Afterwards, Dr. Zaczyk will spend time with various CSC departments to learn about services and how to better collaborate and support each other's work. Please check with your supervisor about attending.
- Adult Winter Weekend will take place at Highbrook Lodge the weekend of February 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. Campers will arrive to Highbrook Lodge at 6:00 p.m on Friday evening and depart at noon on Sunday. Cost of the

weekend is \$75/camper. Transportation to/from CSC is provided for an additional \$15/camper. To register please call the Camp Department (216-791-8118).



The grounds of Highbrook Lodge covered in snow



A snow-covered field with the woods in the background



Snow covers benches at Highbrook Lodge

#### Eyedea Shop's Featured Product of the Week: Atomic Talking Keychain

 The newest item in the Eyedea Shop is the Atomic Talking Keychain. It's a small key fob that you can keep your house keys on or just carry in your pocket or even wear on a lanyard. It can visually display the time with digital numbers or press a button and it will audibly tell the time and the date. It also has an alarm. But the best feature is that this timepiece will automatically change the time when the time change occurs in the spring and the fall! The price is \$24.00.



• Can't make it to the Eyedea Shop at CSC? Then check out the product offerings online at <u>www.eyedeashop.com</u> and purchase items from the comfort of wherever you may be!

# Items of Note:

- January has also been declared as National Glaucoma Awareness Month by Prevent Blindness and other leading eye health organizations, in an effort to help educate the public on the disease, including risk factors and treatment options. Prevent Blindness offers a dedicated web page providing patients and their caregivers with additional free information at http://www.preventblindness.org/glaucoma.
- Despite their difficulties with reading, people with limited vision or dyslexia are now able to learn about the exhibits at the New England Carousel Museum courtesy of the Bristol Lions Club. The museum this week began offering "talking exhibits" to enable more disabled visitors to enjoy its collection of hand-carved wooden horses and its historic carousel. To read the full article, <u>click here</u>.
- The American Council of the Blind has a great opportunity for students who are legally blind to earn a scholarship, whether he/she is going to a technical college, an entering freshman, undergraduate or a graduate student. Over \$55,000 in scholarships are awarded to students each year. To be eligible, students must need to be legally blind, maintain a 3.0 GPA and be involved in your school/local community. The form must be submitted no later than February 15th, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. Central time. For more information, contact Nancy Christine Feela at (612) 332-3242 or (800) 866-3242. To apply, please visit <u>http://acb.org/2019-scholarship</u>.