

Keeping You "In the Know..." 3/10/17

Educating and Engaging the Community and Strengthening Partnerships:

- Cleveland Sight Center will host a day of advocacy at the Ohio Statehouse on Wednesday, March 15th to share the CSC story and show the impact the agency has on those who are blind or have low vision to state legislators and their staffs. The Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Sight Center of Northwest Ohio will partner with CSC and support efforts that day, which include meetings with legislators along with exhibits and displays of the work done by these agencies. Some "hands-on" activities for legislators and staff will include interactive simulation goggles for common vision problems, how to use a white cane, demonstration of assistive technology products and additional activities focusing on daily tasks that become challenging for individuals with vision loss.
- Camp Manager Lindsay Svarovsky and Therapeutic Recreation Specialist Mollie Evans attended the One Call for Wellness Launch at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging on Wednesday, March 8th. One Call for Wellness is a newly-created coordinated programming initiative bringing together Cleveland-based community partners to provide a one-stop-shop for reaching older adults in Cuyahoga County with evidence-based and evidenceinformed programs that promote health and wellness.
- Lisa Cellura presented the "Blindness Basics" program to the naturalists and education staff of Cleveland Metroparks on Wednesday and then teamed with Sylvia Snyder to present a program on accessibility to staff at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. On Thursday, Lisa presented information on CSC as well as careers in vision rehabilitation to students at Bryant & Stratton College. Desmond

Kennedy had visits this week with the Free Clinic, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Health Center in East Cleveland, Complete Eye Care Institute in Willoughby and Corrective Eye Center in Willoughby Hills.

- Also on Thursday, March 9th, Melissa Bresnahan participated in a Forum for Volunteer Administrators (FVA) workshop held at Cleveland Sight Center. The workshop reviewed utilizing social media as a tactic for maintaining relationships with volunteers and provided tips for tracking social media reach.
- CSC's Employment Department, in partnership with the Employment Collaborative of Cuyahoga County (ECCC), is gearing up for their next hiring event on Tuesday, March 21st from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Market Garden Brewery located at 1947 W. 25 Street in Cleveland. This is the second of four planned hiring events for 2017 and will feature companies including Hyland Software, MetroHealth, New York Community Bancorp, Inc., Planet Fitness, Home Depot, Dave's Markets are over 20 other local employers interviewing candidates to fill their current vacancies. The ECCC, founded in 2014, is a group of dedicated agencies whose vision and goals facilitate Ohio's Employment First Initiative. The group looks forward to building on the success of the February 2017 hiring event, which included outcomes such as: 100% of participating businesses surveyed checked "Yes" to "Do you believe you will hire one or more of the candidates you interviewed today?"; 89% of employers surveyed responded that working with the ECCC "exceeded expectations"; 100% of the 75+ individual job seekers checked "Yes" to "Do you believe you will gain employment as a result of this hiring event?"
- The film "7 Years of Darkness," which featured CSC's Dr. Anthony Easley, won the best non-fiction documentary award at The "Short. Sweet. Film Fest!" held last weekend at the Alex Theater in downtown Cleveland's Metropolitan at the 9. Any information regarding further availability of the film will be passed along if received.

Eyedea Shop's Featured Product of the Week:

- This week's featured product is the OttLite Crane Lamp. While supplies last! Make your work space a little brighter with the OttLite Crane Lamp. Perfect for the desk, workbench or crafting room, the Crane Desk/Clamp Lamp features counterbalancing tension springs that provide smooth movement and allow for optimal light positioning. You'll love seeing every detail clearly and color accurately with this work lamp's wide reach and versatility. Use as a desk lamp or use the clamp on conversion kit. The adjustable, sturdy clamp holds strong to surfaces.
 - o Details:
 - Counter-balancing tension springs provide smooth movement and wide reach
 - Includes both table-top base and clamp-on conversion kit
 - Bulb included. Rated to last up to 10,000 hours.
 Replacement bulbs are carried at the Eyedea Shop.
 - The "While Supplies Last" price is \$75.00.



OttLite Crane Lamp

• 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!

Comings and Goings at CSC:

 Students in Bright Futures Preschool continued with "Read Across America" activities this week. The class was joined by volunteer Pat Frost-Brooks, who read to the class and brought the students stickers, calendars and...HATS!



Ms. Pat and students with their hats



Mr. Keith joins in the fun

 It's never too early to start looking ahead to the summer! The CSC Sailing Program has begun to prepare by kicking off their training series. So far, participants have learned about different safety equipment and what to do if someone falls overboard. Coming in the next couple of weeks will be sessions on the science of sailing and anchor and motor operations. If you or someone you know is interested in participating this year, make sure you fulfill your training requirements. Contact Mollie Evans (216-791-8118) for additional information.



Sailing program participants learn about safety and a fire extinguisher

- Lose those job interview jitters at CSC's March meeting of Job Club! Stop by CSC's Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium on Thursday, March 16th from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. to get the best tips and tricks from a panel of CSC's Employment Specialists and take part in mock interviews to sharpen your skills. Come build interview confidence and learn how to show employers that you're the professional candidate they want.
- CSC is hosting a Job Fair! Save the date Thursday, March 23rd from 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium at CSC. The event, coordinated by Carlton Toppin, will feature jobs with partner in employment Sodexo, a worldwide leader in quality of life services. Sodexo will be hiring for dietary services, cooks and stockers for Cleveland Clinic's Main Campus location. Know someone who may be interested in attending? Contact Carlton Toppin (216-791-8118) for questions or to RSVP.
- Registration for upcoming summer 2017 camp sessions at Highbrook Lodge is now OPEN! The 2017 schedule with additional information is posted on the Highbrook Lodge pages of CSC's website, <u>click here</u>. Any questions, contact the Camp team at 216-791-8118.
- Tickets are now on sale for "A Night at the Races" benefiting CSC hosted by Delta Gamma Cleveland East, held at CSC on Saturday, April 29th from 6:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m. To purchase tickets, sponsor a horse or race, place an ad or make a donation, <u>click here</u>.

Items of Note:

- Enrollment for the 2017 2018 preschool year has begun. Contact Sylvia Snyder (216-791-8118) with any questions.
- An update from the Ohio Department of Transportation: East 105th Street has been restricted to one lane in each direction between Euclid and Chester Avenues while crews work on replacing the pavement on the existing southbound lanes. Traffic will remain restricted to one lane in each direction through summer 2017. All lanes will remain open on Euclid and Chester Avenues at East 105th Street.
- The 41st Cleveland International Film Festival (CIFF41), presented by Dollar Bank, has announced its program line-up at <u>clevelandfilm.org</u>. CIFF41 will take place March 29-April 9, 2017 at Tower City Cinemas and select neighborhood screening locations. The Festival will showcase 202 feature films and 216 short films representing 71 countries during its 12-day run.

Did You Know?

• Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 12th. Remember to "Spring Ahead, Fall Back" and set those clocks ahead one hour!