



Keeping You “In the Know...” 3/29/19

Strengthening Partnerships and Educating the Community:

-The Outreach team hosted an extern from Ohio State University who is currently doing work at MetroHealth for a tour of the agency then a shadowing experience in the Low Vision Clinic. Tom Sawyer attended the Summit Senior Services Network meeting in Akron on Tuesday to talk about programs and services. The Outreach duo gave an overview of CSC and talk about tips for daily living at Cleveland Heights Senior Apartments on Wednesday. They had a tripleheader on Thursday as they presented on assistive technology and how to teach others to help you to three different groups: Gary Clawson’s low vision group at Independence Village and Grace Hall in Avon Lake and to a group at St. Mary of the Woods in Avon. Members of the Lakewood Senior Center/Retina Associates low vision group visit CSC today for an Assistive Technology Talk, shopping in the Eyedea Shop and lunch.

-And down the stretch they come! Join Delta Gamma Cleveland East Alumnae for “A Night at the Races” to benefit Cleveland Sight Center! The event will be held Saturday, April 13th in CSC’s Clyde E. Williams, Jr. Auditorium. Tickets are \$35 each and include dinner. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m. For more information, to buy tickets, sponsor a race and more, [click here](#).

-CSC will host a large group of students from Cuyahoga Community College on April 10th for a “Day with CSC” to learn about the agency, programs and services. This is the second “Day with CSC,” building off the success of the November 2018 event. The students are currently in areas of study including Optical Technology and Early Childhood Education.

What's Happening at CSC:

-The Electronic Medical Record project management team is gearing up to go live with the next phase of ClientCare implementation for the Ticket to Work program in Employment Services on Monday, April 1st! Recent work has included accessibility testing, preparation of training materials and staff training sessions, billing workflows and entering of client data into ClientCare for the Ticket to Work program. Additional work by the project management team has included report creation, generation and testing for outputs, number of clients, hours of service and the VFQ 25 assessment to measure service impact on clients. The team has also been working diligently with Compulink (the software provider) on the integration of EyeCare, which is used in the Low Vision Clinic, and ClientCare, which will be used by all other departments at CSC, to ensure proper exchange of information through a singular client database for the agency. This key connection is the next major component to moving forward with implementation of ClientCare across all remaining departments at CSC.

-Social Recreation had another engaging and fun week as participants enjoyed "Movie and Popcorn Day", which featured an audio-described showing of the 1944 mystery-thriller film "Gaslight" starring Ingrid Bergman and Charles Boyer. In addition, Tuesdays are filled with other activities including Line Dance, Crochet, Game Day, Book Discussion, Music Group, Yoga and more!



Attendees to "Movie and Popcorn Day" enjoy "Gaslight"

-CSC welcomed new volunteers at Volunteer Orientation last week. Welcome to volunteers Marcia (Audio Describer), Sherridina (Administrative Volunteer) and Samson (Radio Reader)! We are excited to have you join the CSC team!



Left to Right: Marcia, Sherridina and Samson

-Students in Bright Futures Preschool are enjoying some well-deserved time off as they are enjoying spring break this week. Check back next week as they get back into the classroom.

-The Children & Young Adult Services (CYAS) Department is gearing up for the annual Spring Fling event on Saturday, April 6th at the agency for the families of CSC's very young clients. Get ready for raffle baskets! Raffle baskets will be on display in the CYAS area of the second floor on April 3rd, 4th and 5th. This year's prizes include: a Trader Joe's gift basket, a ladies bicycle complete with basket and lights, a CSC employees basket (includes 10 free sandwiches at Penn Station in the month of April, lottery tickets and chocolate candy - one of us guaranteed to win!) and a variety of gift certificates for services in the Cleveland area. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 13 for \$10. Stop by anytime between 7:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to purchase your lucky tickets!

Eyedeas Shop's Product of the Week: OXO Good Grips Veggie Peeler

-This week's featured item of the week is the OXO Good Grips veggie peeler. It has a non-slip soft grip, its dishwasher safe and has a precision ground stainless steel blade. It even has a potato eye and comes with a protective blade cover for safety. So get ready for those summer picnics, potato salads and the veggie tray preparations and have the tool to make the job easier and efficient. The price is \$12.50.



Image of the OXO Good Grips Veggie Peeler

Items of Note:

-Earlier this month, the United States Senate unanimously adopted [a resolution](#) declaring March 27th National Assistive Technology Awareness Day. The resolution noted that "assistive technology devices and services are not luxury items but necessities for millions of people with disabilities and older adults, without which they would be unable to live in their communities, access education, and obtain, retain, and advance gainful, competitive integrated employment." To read more, [click here](#).

-Menus4all provides menus for customers that cannot read menus in 9 out of 10 restaurants. The organization provides menus on iPhones for people who have blindness and low vision through supporting voiceover, braille refreshable displays and three low vision display settings. They have the potential of reaching 21,000,000 customers in the U.S. who are AT iOS users and would like to collect additional customer data through a survey.

[Click here to take the survey.](#)