

# Keeping You "In the Know..." 8/26/16

### CSC to Host Open House for Cleveland Clinic Cole Eye Institute:

- Cleveland Sight Center will host an open house at the agency for associates of Cleveland Clinic Cole Eye Institute on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to learn more the services, programs, and opportunities to enhance the continuum of care for patients. In addition, Sauced Wood Fired Pizza will have a food truck on site, the menu is below. For more information on the open house, contact Desmond Kennedy or Steve Frohwerk (216-791-8118).
  - Margherita (\$8) Fresh Basil, Tomatoes, Fresh Mozzarella, Balsamic Reduction
  - Sweet Chili (\$9) Chicken, Prosciutto, Pineapples, Sweet Chili Sauce
  - Bourbon Chicken (\$9) Bourbon Sauce, Bacon, Chicken, Onions
  - o 3-Meat (\$10) Pepperoni, Bacon, Sausage
  - Firecracker (\$9) Chipotle Ranch, Chicken, Bacon, Hot Banana Peppers

#### Argus II Passes the One-Year Mark:

 The Argus II partnership recently passed the one-year mark for the first and second patients who received the implant. Steve Okland, Vice President of Second Sight Medical Products, which manufactures the Argus II, visited CSC on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> and met with Erin St. Denis.

Strengthening Partnerships and Educating the Community:

- Lisa Cellura presented the "Aging Eye" program to residents at Independence Place I and II in Parma Heights on Tuesday. She presented the "Blindness Basics" program to an association for people with mental disabilities of Medina County on Thursday. A former client who received services as a child and is now an adult visits the agency with his family on Friday, where they meet with Lisa Cellura and Steve Frohwerk to tour the facility and discuss CSC's programs. This weekend, students of Case for Sight host a CSC awareness table at Case Western Reserve University's Student Activity Fair. The Case for Sight students will be hosting their annual Dinner in the Dark event on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. More information to come as the event draws near.
- The Employment Team attended the quarterly BSVI/CSC meeting in Lakewood on Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> and was joined by Susie Meles, Debbie Ruffin, and Debi Welsby. These meetings help strengthen communication between CSC and the BSVI counselors and administrative staff at Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities. CSC reported on job placements and department updates. Additional agenda items included billing issues/concerns and the ILOB Program.
- The Employment Collaborative of Cuyahoga County (ECCC) hosted their second hiring event at the Parma-Snow Library on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. As a member of the ECCC, CSC's Employment Department helped organized the event and bring in employers to interview job seekers from CSC and 12 other vocational rehabilitation agencies. Employers included Planet Fitness, Panera Bread, Gabriel Brothers to name a few and each employer interviewed with six or more candidates. The goal of the event is to create an opportunity for employers to meet with prequalified job seekers and to diversify their workforce by tapping into a new and unique talent pool. The first ECCC hiring event was just six months ago and resulted in 27 positions that were successfully filled!
- CSC will be represented at next Wednesday's "Senior Safari" day at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. Susie Meles, Anthony Easley, Ralph Johnson, and volunteer Mike Musgrave will attend on behalf of the

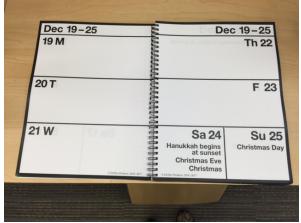
agency and be available to answer questions and distribute goodies including CSC-branded pens, wristbands, and pieces of candy with CSC information attached to these items.

# Eyedea Shop's Featured Product of the Week:

2017 Date Planner...\$20. Stay on task and schedule in the next year with this large print date planner that has a very bold contrast and plenty of extra writing space for your personal notes and appointments. There is a limited supply for now, so come in and let the Eyedea Shop team know what you think about this new calendar. It is on a trial basis but your feedback will determine if this item will be carried on a permanent basis...so stop in today!

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### Last Call for Artists:

 Are you or do you know an artist who has blindness or low vision? Submissions are now being accepted for artwork to be on the cover of some of CSC's 2016 Holiday Cards! Please submit entries to Barbara Piascik in the Eyedea Shop by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Entries will be presented to a selection committee and are limited to two (2) per artist. If original artwork is not submitted, high resolution images of the artwork will be accepted. Artwork that is selected for Holiday Cards will be displayed in the Eyedea Shop and in the main lobby at CSC with the option to be sold. Interested buyers will be directed to the artist. Artwork that is not selected will be returned to artist.

#### Hodgepodge and Items of Note:

 Life Safety Systems visited CSC on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> and performed the agency's annual all safety systems test and inspection, including all fire panels, fire alarms, smoke detectors, fire strobes, and inline HVAC detectors. The Facilities Team is pleased to report that all systems passed and no deficiencies or recommendations were generated. Thanks to Chris Gruber, Scott Malone, Amos Grant, and Phyllis Solomon for keeping our beautiful building clean and in safe working order.

 Congratulations to Team VIPERs who concluded their rowing season on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> with a fantastic down-to-the-wire finish among the two VIPERs racing boats. Thanks to all participants and the volunteers at Western Reserve Rowing Association.



Team VIPERs boats on the river



Team VIPERs with volunteers from WRRA

- Bright Futures Preschool begins Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. CSC is still accepting enrollment. Contact Sylvia Snyder (216-791-8118) for more information.
- Attention Heinen's Shoppers! With your help, Heinen's will help support Bright Futures Preschool. When you use your Tasteful Rewards Preferred Card throughout the school year, Heinen's will donate up to 1% of your purchase to a school of your choice. You can sign up online at Heinens.com/schools or in-store at the Customer Service Desk, or by calling their Customer Relations Department at 1-855-475-2300 ext. 2337. <u>Heinen's requires that everyone reselect a</u> <u>school every year. Be sure to select Cleveland Sight Center Bright</u> <u>Futures Preschool.</u>
- Spellbound, CSC's annual fundraising gala, celebrates 30 years in 2016! Save the date for this year's fundraiser, Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Landerhaven in Mayfield Heights. This year's theme is "Looking Back, Seeing the Future" and part of the evening will highlight CSC's

Early Intervention program. Event invitations are now available! Contact <u>Steve Frohwerk</u> (216-791-8118) for additional information.

 Save the date of Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> for a beep baseball game between the Cleveland Scrappers, a softball team of players who are blind or have low vision, and Solon's Babes of 1916 over 65 softball team. This exhibition game is a great family event and highlights the talents of the Scrappers. Last year's contest was won by the Scrappers 15-8 and drew hundreds of spectators. Details for the game are below. Lawn chairs and blankets are recommended.

Sunday, September 11, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Solon Community Park - Field 4 6679 SOM Center Road Solon, OH (1/4-mile south of Aurora Rd (Rt 43))

# Did You Know?

 Cleveland could host the World Series opener and Cavaliers season opener on the same night this fall. Cleveland figures to garner plenty of additional attention in October, especially if the Indians make a postseason splash. The Cavs will host the New York Knicks for their regular-season opener on October 25. The encounter will kick off the NBA season and the Cavs will receive their championship rings at Quicken Loans Arena. Next door, the Indians could host Game 1 of the World Series at Progressive Field on the same night. Major League Baseball released its 2016 postseason schedule on Tuesday. Some American League club -- by virtue of the league's triumph in the All-Star Game in July -- will host the first tilt of the Fall Classic on October 25. Should the Indians reach their first World Series in 19 years, it would give Cleveland two premier sporting events in the same night, separated only by the small, grassy Gateway Plaza.