Keeping you "In the Know ... " 3/27/15

Thank You Community West Foundation!

CSC received a \$20,000 grant from the <u>Community West Foundation</u> last week which marks the third consecutive year of support from this community agency that works to advance the health & well being of our community. The funds will be allocated to Social Work programs.

Thank You Northern Ohio Golf Charities Foundation!

CSC has been named a recipient of 2014 tournament funds from The World Golf Championships-Bridgestone Invitational and its partner Northern Ohio Golf Charities! The money donated by the tournament will be used for recreation projects at Highbrook Lodge!

Strengthening Partnerships:

CSC hosted the Delta Gamma Fraternity as they celebrated Founders Day Brunch 2015 on Saturday, March 21st at CSC. The event, chaired by Board Trustee Mary Tookman, welcomed 150 Delta Gammas and celebrated membership milestones and accomplishments through special awards and recognitions. Thanks to the following CSC staff who helped make the event such a success: Lisa Cellura, Marcia Houston, Scott Malone, Greg McGrath, Barbara Piascik, Tedrick Sanders, Jassen Tawil and Joel Zureick.

Bright Futures Preschool visited Case Western Reserve University on Monday, March 23rd as the Delta Gamma's completed a service project. The students helped decorate a sign, prepared gift bags for the needy and enjoyed a pizza party and parachute game.

CSC's young professionals group, the Visionaries, hosted a "bring a friend" open house on Thursday, March 26th. The group will be participating in CSC events White Cane Walk & 5K Run and Spellbound this year.

Camp Hubble Day, sponsored by NASA Glenn Research Center, will be held at CSC on Saturday, April 18th. The interactive program for middle school students will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Hubble Telescope. Participants will enjoy activities with NASA scientists, engineers and volunteers to learn about Hubble. For more information on this invitation-only program, contact <u>Sylvia Snyder</u> (x8777).

Supported Employment Stakeholders Meeting:

On Thursday, March 26th the Supported Employment (SE) department hosted their quarterly Stakeholders Committee meeting. The Stakeholders Committee, a voluntary group that advises the SE team, was created for the purpose of bringing all SE stakeholder interests together in a group. Stakeholders can provide recommendations directly to SE staff on services provided, networking opportunities and any other matter of concern. Having a Stakeholders Committee is part of maintaining fidelity with the Supported Employment Model.

The next Stakeholders meeting is scheduled for September 17th. Prior to the September meeting, members of the committee plan to convene to capitalize on the momentum of Thursday's meeting in smaller groups. All participants reiterated their commitment to the committee and CSC.

CARF Corner:

<u>CARF is the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities</u> and its mission is to promote the quality, value and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of persons served.

CARF believes in the following core values:

- All people have the right to be treated with dignity and respect.
- All people should have access to needed services that achieve optimal outcomes.
- All people should be empowered to exercise informed choice.

CARF's accreditation, research, continuous improvement services and education activities are conducted in accordance with these core values and with the utmost integrity.

Item of Note:

The Eyedea Shop has inventory slated for March 30 – 31. Get your shopping in before March 30!

Technology Corner:

The OrCam. Smartphone apps. Bionic contact lenses. Not familiar with these technological advances? Visit the <u>Resources page of CSC's website here</u> or contact <u>Tom Sawyer</u> (x7339) for more information or a free in-home product demonstration.

Upcoming Events:

The Delta Gammas will host a "Pancake Night for Sight" on Thursday, April 2nd from 8:00pm – 11:00pm. Held at The Delta Gamma House, 2265 Murray Hill Road in Cleveland, the ladies will be serving pancakes. Prices are \$3 for 3 pancakes with syrup, \$5 for 5 pancakes with unlimited toppings and tickets may be purchased at the door. For information regarding group pricing contact Elizabeth at <u>eav23@case.edu</u>. Proceeds benefit the Delta Gamma Foundation and Service for Sight.

Night at the Races will be held at CSC on Saturday, April 25th. Any donation will be matched, dollar for dollar, by an anonymous (and generous!) donor. All proceeds will benefit Highbrook Lodge! For more information including buying tickets or sponsoring a horse <u>click here</u>.