***Sign Up Now for Catholic Summer Programs***

Visit our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability

Camp Happiness is a 7 week day camp program for children to young adults ages 5-21 with cognitive and other developmental disabilities. It runs from June 18 to August 3, Monday-Friday, 9:30am to 3pm. Sites are located in Lakewood, Parma, and Wickliffe. Campers enjoy a variety of activities, such as swimming, arts and crafts, indoor and outdoor games and community field trips. Extended School Year / Waiver Certified / Financial Assistance Available

Call 216-334-2963 or email mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org for information

Augustine Rainbow Camp is a 5-week program in an inclusive setting at St. Augustine Church in the Tremont neighborhood of Cleveland for campers ages 5 to 13 who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind or who have mild cognitive and developmental disabilities. This program is open to children with & without disabilities. It runs from June 25 – July 27, Monday-Friday, 10am to 3pm.

Call 216-781-5530 for information

CYO Camp Christopher in Bath, Ohio, is a 7 week residential camp program for adults, 18 & over, with disabilities. This program allows individuals to participate according to their ability and choice. Swimming, boating, arts, crafts, nature study, relaxing, games, horseback riding, walking and more is offered.

Call 1-800-CYO-CAMP (1-800-296-2267) or e-mail campregistrar@clevelandcatholiccharities.org for information

RoseMary Center is an 8 week day camp program for children and young adults ages 6-21 with severe and profound disabilities. It runs from June 18 – August 10. RoseMary Center Camp is located at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH)

Call 216-481-4823 x105 for information

~ Monthly Dances ~

Ages…16 and over ID…All dancers must carry their ID with them or wear a nametag with their first name and phone number on it. Helpful Hint…Come with a nametag already on – it will help keep the line shorter!!!

The group home or family must provide supervision if needed

**OLA/St. Joseph Center 7 – 9:00 pm**

Cost…$3.00 for dancers (Staff are Free)

2nd Friday of the month (unless noted by *)

March 9; April 13; May 11; June 8; No Dance in July;

No Dance in August; Sept. 14; Oct. 12; Nov. 9; Dec. 14

Fee is $12.00.00
Send checks to: Disability Services
7911 Detroit Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44102

**Rose-Mary Center 7:30 – 10:00 pm**

Cost…$5.00 (Staff Free but pay $1 for snacks)

19530 Euclid Ave., Euclid – 216-481-4823

4th Friday of the month (unless noted by *)

March 23; April 27; May 25; June 22; July 27; August 24;

Sept. 28; Oct. 26; Nov. 16; No Dance in December

Weekend Retreats!!!

Sign up now for the March 23-25, Retreat!!

Spaces are limited to 20 retreatants & fill up quickly!

Retreats held at River’s Edge (3430 Rocky River Dr.)

2012 Dates: March 23-25; April 20-22; May 18-20; Sept. 28-30; Nov. 30-Dec. 2

2013 Dates: Jan. 25-27; March 22-24; April 19-21; May 17-19

Meeting New Friends!

Continuing Adult Education Program (CAEP)

Call us to learn how you can join us for classes

at OLA/St. Joseph Center – 2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113

The CAEP is dedicated to meeting the continuing educational needs of adults with cognitive and other developmental disabilities ages 21 & over. Students have the opportunity to learn new things & meet new friends!

For information contact Marilyn at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org

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Disability Ministries ~ 2485 West 14th St., Cleveland. Ohio 44113 (216) 781-5530 Voice/TTY

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March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Ohio
From Ohio Public Images and Public Images Network: The campaign theme for 2012 is Our Community is Better Together. It is only when we have a truly inclusive community that we see the future as brighter, our neighborhoods grow stronger, we accomplish more, and everyone wins!

It is often attitudinal barriers that affect everyday life for people with developmental disabilities. In addressing those barriers through positive awareness efforts, fears and negative attitudes can be replaced with knowledge and understanding. Visit www.publicimagesnetwork.org for further information.

Spread the Word to End the Word
Join us on March 7, 2012 as we join others in spreading awareness to end the r-Word. From the Spread the Word to End the Word website: The r-word, “retard,” is slang for the term mental retardation. Mental retardation was what doctors, psychologists, and other professionals used to describe people with significant intellectual impairment. Today the r-word has become a common word used by society as an insult…

Visit their website to learn more and to sign the pledge to Spread the Word to End the Word - www.r-word.org.

April is Autism Awareness Month
April 2 is World Autism Awareness Day. Let us join together to make it Autism Awareness Month in Parishes & Dioceses! Call Dennis McNulty at 216-334-2962 for more information or resources for observing Autism Awareness Month can be found at www.ncpd.org/ministries-programs/specific/autism

Catholic Charities Health & Human Services is Celebrating 100 years! Catholic Charities mission statement: Under the leadership of the Bishop of Cleveland and inspired by the Gospel message, the Secretariat for Catholic Charities Health and Human Services continues the mission of Jesus by providing vision and leadership for those who respond to the health and human needs and the social concerns of the people of the Diocese of Cleveland. We extend the reign of God in this time and place as we work with others to build a just and compassionate society that respects the dignity of every person.

From 1912 – 2012, Catholic Charities has been providing services to Children & Families, Persons with Disabilities, Older Adults and Emergency Assistance. For more information on Catholic Charities or to make a donation, visit the website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org

Congratulations to Marilyn Scott! Marilyn recently was promoted to Program Director of Disability Services. Marilyn has been with us for 20 years this August and we are very proud of her professional growth and dedicated spirit. Crain’s Cleveland Business recently spotlighted Marilyn for her promotion and in recognition of her great work! Congratulate Marilyn at mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org

Fr. Joe & Sr. Corita receive Pastoral Worker of the Year Award
Congratulations to Fr. Joe and Sr. Corita for receiving the Fr. David Walsh Pastoral Worker of the Year Award from the National Catholic Office for the Deaf (NCOD) on Sunday, January 15, 2012.

The Rev. David Walsh Pastoral Worker of the Year Award was established to honor individuals, organizations or companies that have contributed significant dedication, support and assistance to Deaf Catholics. It is NCOD’s way of saying “thank you”, not only for a job well done but for his/her leadership role and impact among Deaf Catholics.

2011 Agency Partner of the Year
Catholic Charities Disability Services was recently named a 2011 Agency Partner of the Year. We are proud to be one of the 2011 HandsOn NEO Award Winners!

HandsOn partners individuals and organizations in volunteer opportunities. We have been very blessed to partner with HandsOn and we thank them for their hours of volunteering and for recognizing us as an Agency Partner of the Year! To learn more about HandsOn NEO, visit their website at www.handsoneo.org.

The Beatitudes Faith Formation Program is designed to provide a nurturing and prayerful environment for children with special needs to be introduced to Jesus and His love. In addition, instructors attend to and assist with the preparation of the children for the Sacraments. The program is held the 2nd Saturday of every month from 11am to 1pm. Lunch and refreshments are provided. This program is held at St. Augustine Church’s Walsh Hall (2486 W. 14th St. in Cleveland’s Tremont neighborhood).

The Continuing Adult Education Program
Learn new things and meet new friends!!! Consider joining us at the Continuing Adult Education Program (CAEP), which is now in its 21st year. Space is still available. Classes meet on Saturdays from September through May at OLA/ST. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH – on the RTA bus line).

The CAEP is dedicated to meeting the continuing educational needs of adults with cognitive and other developmental disabilities ages 21 and over. Students have the opportunity to learn new things and meet new friends! Students must provide their own transportation and tuition is $88 a month with an additional one time material fee of $60. Financial assistance may be available. Call to set up an appointment to visit us! Contact Marilyn Scott at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org

The New Faith & Light Community meets the first Friday of each month at 6pm at St Augustine Church (2486 W. 14th St. in Cleveland). Call 216-781-5530 for both ministries.

Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries Website – Don’t forget to check out our New Facebook page and our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability. Also, check the Additional News & Information Page, updated regularly!

Have a Blessed Easter!