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33rd Annual "Walk of Hope"



Saturday, October 2, 2010

at
 OLA/St. Joseph Center in Tremont
 (2346 West 14th Street, Cleveland)

The Walk of Hope supports programs for persons with disabilities offered by Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries...

Tour Historic Tremont

Learn about Tremont's history - Learn about the new shops and restaurants

8:30am Registration / 9:00am Walk through Tremont
 Meet Local Celebrities at the following events:
 Raffle Drawing at 10:30 am
 Special Walk around Lincoln Park at 11:00 am

Call 216-334-2963 for pledge forms and for more information or email Marilyn at mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org or you can visit our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability

~ 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)
 2346 West 14th St., Cleveland ~ 216-334-2963
 2nd Friday of the month (unless noted by *)

2010 Dates: Oct. 8; Nov. 12; Dec. 10

Rose-Mary Center 7:30 - 10:00 pm

Cost...\$5.00 (Staff Free but pay \$1 for snacks)
 19350 Euclid Ave., Euclid ~ 216-481-4823
 4th Friday of the month (unless noted by *)

2010 Dates: Sept. 24; Oct. 22; *Nov. 19;
 No Dance in December

<p>Fee is \$120.00 Send checks to: Disability Services 7911 Detroit Ave. Cleveland, OH 44102</p>	<p>Weekend Retreats!!! Sign up now for the October 29-31, Retreat!! <i>Spaces are limited to 20 retreatants & fill up quickly!</i> Retreats held at River's Edge (3430 Rocky River Dr.)</p> <p>2010 Dates: Oct. 29-31; Nov. 19-21; Dec. 10-12 (New Date) 2011 Dates: Jan. 21-23; Feb. 18-20; March 18-20; April 8-10; May 13-15</p>	<p>Call (216) 334-2963 to register</p>
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<p>Meet New Friends!</p>	<p>Continuing Adult Education Program (CAEP) Beginning Saturday, September 18 through May 21 at OLA/St. Joseph Center - 2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113</p> <p>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</p>
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Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries Newsletter
Celebrating 44 years...1966 to 2010

33rd Annual Walk of Hope Join us on Saturday, October 2, 2010 for the 33rd Annual Walk of Hope! The Walk will begin and end at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St.) and will tour Cleveland's historic Tremont neighborhood!

As you know our current economy has impacted many people, but it has severely impacted persons with disabilities. Many of them come to us because they find hope and a welcoming community. This annual Walk helps us raise funds, which are needed now more than ever. 100% of the funds raised will benefit the ministries and programs for persons with disabilities, their loved ones and their supporters.

The Walk of Hope gives us a public opportunity as a believing community to demonstrate our belief that all people are called to be part of the life of our society and our Church.

For pledge forms, flyers, to volunteer or for more information, call or email Marilyn Scott at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org or visit our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability If you cannot attend the walk, please consider making a donation.

Respect Life Webinar As part of our annual Respect Life Month, Bishop Richard Lennon has asked us to co-sponsor an important online training (webinar) that is being offered by the National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NCPD).

This webinar entitled, *Threats to the Lives of People with Disabilities, Part I: Prenatal Diagnosis of Lethal and Non-lethal Conditions or Disability*, will be on *Tuesday, October 5 from 1:00 – 2:30 pm EDT*. The webinar will be held in front of a live audience at The Catholic University of America.

Locally, the webinar will be sponsored by Catholic Charities Offices of Disability Services & Ministries, the Diocesan Pro-Life office and St Augustine Health Campus.

The focus of this webinar is central to the church's teaching on life and dignity. Disabilities are a normal, expected part of life, and as Catholics we believe that everyone belongs to the Body of Christ, by right of their baptism. The US Census estimates that 20% of the population has a disability. It is a part of the mosaic of life, not out of the norm.

26th Annual Journey to Bethlehem Mark your calendars to join us at the 26th Annual Journey to Bethlehem Mass, celebrated by Bishop Roger Gries, on Saturday, December 4, 2010. Mass will be at 10:30 am at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 West 14th Street, Cleveland, OH). Join us for this beautiful Christmas mass and for prayer, song, celebration and friendship for persons with developmental disabilities along with their families, friends, catechists, and advocates. Liturgy will be followed by a light luncheon.

St. Vincent Charity Deaf Access Program The Deaf Access Program at St Vincent Charity Medical Center has a new Coordinator. Jean Mendis, who is a member of the Cleveland Catholic D/deaf Community, was hired in April, 2010, to establish the Medical Center as a local leader in healthcare service to the local deaf community. Key ingredients to this healthcare include compassion and high quality care delivered by a well trained, culturally competent staff. To reach this goal, Jean has conducted community outreach programs to the D/deaf, health fairs, has provided inservice trainings for nursing, physicians and employees. She has developed a special orientation for new staff.

Jean Mendis is fluent in American Sign Language and is a graduate of Rochester Institute of Technology.

The Deaf Access Program was developed as a collaborative between St. Vincent Charity Medical Center, St. Augustine Parish, the Cleveland Catholic Deaf Community, Catholic Charities Offices of Disability Services and Ministries and Catholic Community Connection. This program is made possible by generous grants from the Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation and a recent grant by Catholic Campaign for Human Development. The latter will support new specific initiatives such as leadership development and interpretive services.

Jean Mendis can be reached by Video Phone (VP)/Voice at 216-370-7318 or email, Jean.Mendis@stvincentcharity.com

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 available. Classes meet on Saturdays from September through May at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH – on RTA busline).

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

Outreach Ministry Weekend Retreats Catholic Charities Office of Disability Ministry offers a weekend retreat to adults with cognitive disabilities. Participants spend Friday and Saturday evening with volunteers and other adults with disabilities at the River's Edge on the west side of Cleveland. The retreats include scripture readings, praying, sharing together, liturgical dancing, and Eucharistic Liturgy. The Liturgy is celebrated on Saturday night with a visiting priest as the celebrant – sometimes even one of the Bishops in the Diocese of Cleveland celebrates with us! Participants can also join in learning liturgical dancing.

Call us to learn more about this wonderful opportunity! River's Edge on Rocky River Dr. is a beautiful setting and is a great facility full of hospitality. Visit their website at www.riversedgecleveland.com Upcoming retreat dates are listed on the front of this newsletter. The cost is \$120. Call 216-334-2963 to learn more! New participants will be asked to visit first and complete a registration packet.

Camp Happiness We had a wonderful summer at Camp Happiness. The campers at all three sites enjoyed meeting new friends and going on fun and exciting field trips!! This past summer, participants went swimming at Hinckley Lake, watched the Cleveland Indians and Lake County Captains, went to the Cleveland Zoo and enjoyed local parks! All three sites enjoyed getting together for our summer Field Day with the Alhambra and the all sites day with Resurrection Church in Solon! We had a very dedicated staff who enthusiastically came to work each day with new and fun ideas! They made this an exciting summer for all! Thank you to our staff for your great work this summer! The campers are already looking forward to coming back next year!

We are very grateful for the financial support we have received from the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Catholic Charities, the International Order of the Alhambra, and you, who have believed in our programs since 1966. Thanks to your faith, over 300 children and adults experienced camp this summer!

Check out our website for fun photos from Camp Happiness this summer!

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 **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.

Flying Fingers For those who wish to learn sign-language and/or improve their signing skills, the *Flying Fingers* program will help you do so. Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of each month, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Augustine Church (2486 W. 14th St. in Cleveland's Tremont neighborhood). Call 216-781-5530 for information.