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Greetings!
Welcome to the August/September edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter.

The Walk of Hope is Saturday, October 3 - Mark your Calendars! Look for more information below.

Remember to check our website for more information and be sure to click on "News & Events" for more upcoming events. And don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook and "Follow" us on Twitter.

38th Annual Walk of Hope
Saturday, October 3, 2015

Mark your calendars and plan on joining us for this annual "Friend"raiser!! This is such a special event for us each year - we look forward to seeing everyone!

The Walk takes place in Tremont - on Cleveland's west
side! Tremont is a wonderful neighborhood and if you have never been there, consider coming for the 9am Walk through Tremont. It will give you a great sense of what the neighborhood is all about: the shops and restaurants; Lincoln Park; and the community feel!

Our Director of Disability Services, Dennis McNulty, leads the 9am Walk through Tremont. This tour has grown each year - everyone wants to hear what Dennis has to say about Tremont. So, if you plan on walking, make sure you arrive to register at 8:30 so that you can be ready to walk with Dennis at 9:00. That is the official kick-off time!

Open the flyer for more details - but the the schedule is:
8:30 - Registration
9:00 - Walk through Tremont (with Dennis!)
10:30 - Raffle Drawing
11:00 - Walk around Lincoln Park

There will be food and music throughout the day. So if you are unable to do the Walks, come down and enjoy the morning with us!

Thank You from Marilyn Scott, Program Director

I just wanted to send my sincere thank you to all of you who have sent prayers, thoughts, cards and more my way, during this difficult time of my dealing with breast cancer. This has been a long process but I can see the light at the end of the tunnel. I am very lucky to have the support of so many family and friends!

A quick update - I have one more chemo treatment on Sept. 15. Then I will have surgery towards the end of October and then finish up with radiation. So far, everything looks as if it is all working out as my doctors had hoped.

So again, thank you! You are much appreciated!

CCUSA Promotional Video featuring one of our Camp Happiness families!
We are so excited to announce that one of our Camp Happiness families - the Meyer's - was interviewed and will be featured in upcoming promotional and marketing video for Catholic Charities USA. It will be timed with Pope Francis' visit to the USA. If you've seen the video for the Catholic Community Foundation's Annual Appeal, you've already gotten to know the Meyers family and their beautiful story of getting their son Nick involved with the Camp Happiness family! We are honored to have them represent us - first to the Diocese of Cleveland and now to the World!

And our Director, Dennis McNulty, was also interviewed. Once we have the link to this new video, we will share it with you. But, here you can find information about Pope Francis' visit and a link to the 2015 Annual Appeal video.

Office for Worship - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Are you interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister?? The Office for Worship is currently planning for the Fall 2015 sessions. Please visit the Office for Worship website where details will be posted when available about dates, times and locations.

CAEP starts September 19, 2015

It feels like the CAEP (or Saturday Program!) just finished the 2014/2015 year on Saturday, May 23. But we are already thinking & planning for the next year already!

We had a great last day with Awards and an Art Show!! Our
students were so proud to show off all of the great art work they did over the year! Thank you to our CAEP teachers - Mae, Michelle & Gerry - who worked very hard with the students this past year on these art projects. And we are excited to get started on all new art projects for this upcoming year!! We've already decided on a few great ones!

Information about the start of the 2015/2016 year will come out soon. Keep an eye out for that! And if you would like more info on the CAEP, you can email Marilyn.

Monthly Dances are Great Fun

Join us for a night of fun at OLA/St. Joseph Center (OLA/SJC)

The next dance will be Friday, September 11
If you've never been to a dance, consider coming down! Dancers spend two hours with friends - old and new - listening to fun, danceable music - requesting songs - enjoying time spent just having fun!! Chips and pop will be provided. It really is a lot of fun and a great way to just relax. So put on your dancing shoes and join us on Sept. 11.

Info You Need
Age - Adults, 16 & Over, with disabilities
Location - OLA/SJC, 2346 W. 14th, Cleveland, OH 44113
Time - 7pm to 9pm
Cost - $3 for dancers / Staff & Caregivers are Free
Everyone receives pop and chips

***Bring your ID or wear a name-tag with your first name and phone number
***Group home staff and caregivers must provide supervision

2015 Dance Schedule
Dances at Rose-Mary Center
Due to reorganization at the Rose-Mary Center, they will no longer be hosting their monthly dances. We know you will miss these dances but we know this was a tough decision for Rose-Mary Center to make. But, for you who attended the Rose-Mary Center dances, you are more than welcome to attend the dances we host at OLA/St. Joseph Center - we look forward to seeing you there!

Camp Happiness Wrap Up
Camp Happiness has wrapped up another fun-filled summer! Thank you to all of our campers, their families and summer staff for collaborating on the success of this wonderful summer! You can see pictures from this summer, field trips and Field Day on our Facebook page.

The Ohio Disability and Health Program and the Ohio Department of Health Tobacco Program
Did you know that the rate of cigarette smoking is significantly higher among adults with a disability compared to adults without a disability?

The Ohio Disability and Health Program and the Ohio Department of Health Tobacco Program have teamed up to address this smoking disparity and are promoting the Ohio Tobacco Quit Line among people with disabilities. The Quit Line is a free service that provides counseling support and nicotine replacement therapy to qualified callers. Quit Line callers are five times more likely to quit.

Visit their website or call 1-800-Quit-Now (800-784-8669).

Flyer: Smoking Cessation for Persons with Disabilities
Services for Independent Living, Inc. (SIL) is excited to be able to present "The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) at 25: The Past, The Present & The Future" on Friday, October 23, 2015 at the Corporate College East from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This conference will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the landmark legislation.

Click here for a brochure highlighting the Conference. Please share it with colleagues, consumers, and/or other individuals who might be interested in attending. Thank you in advance for your assistance in promoting the conference! SIL hopes to see you there!

Sincerely,

Dennis McNulty & Marilyn Scott
Catholic Charities Disability Services