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Celebrating 50 Years of Serving Persons with Disabilities

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June 20

Camp begins

Greetings!

Welcome to the May 2016 edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter. Happy Spring!

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.

Have You Made Your Summer Plans?!?!

Sign up for Catholic Camping!

Camp Happiness is a 6 week day camp for children ages



5-21 with cognitive and other developmental disabilities. It runs from June 20 to July 29, Monday-Friday, 9:30am to 3pm. Sites are located in Lakewood, Old Brooklyn, 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

July 8

Dance @ OLA/St. Joseph
Center

July 9

Sr. Corita Golf Outing

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[Click here for our brochure to learn more.](#)

Augustine Rainbow Camp is a 5-week camp in an inclusive setting at St. Augustine Church in Cleveland for children ages 5-13. Rainbow Camp includes children with many disabilities; including those who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind & those with mild developmental disabilities. Call for info - 216-781-5530.

Catholic Charities, Summit Co. - residential & day camp for persons with developmental disabilities. Inclusive programs also offered. Call for information - 1-800-CYO-CAMP; 1-330-376-2267, [email](#) or visit their [website](#).

New Camp Happiness site!

We are very excited to be moving our Parma Camp Happiness site, which was located at Parmadale, to a new site at St. Leo the Great Parish School in Old Brooklyn (4900 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44109)!

This will be a great new site and we will be sure to continue to make Camp Happiness a fun-filled summer for the campers!

St. Leo's has been very welcoming and are looking forward to having us there this summer.

Camp Happiness Wish List - Can You Help Us?

We have started a "Wish List" for Camp Happiness. If you or anyone you know would be able to assist in purchasing any of the following items, please let us know.

- *Gas Grill (with propane tank) for St. Leo site*
- *Grill utensils*
- *10 Storage Bins for arts/crafts*
- *Room divider (3 or 4 panel)*

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Jubilee
Year of Mercy



December 8, 2015 -
November 20, 2016

May Dance!! Friday, May 13

Have you been looking for something fun to do on a Friday evening? Do you like dancing to music? Do you like meeting new friends?

The monthly dances at OLA/St. Joseph Center may be just the thing you are looking for!! Come and try it out...you will not regret it!

The dances are for adults ages 16 and over with and without disabilities. All dancers pay \$3 - Staff/Caregivers are Free. Everyone gets a pop, a bag of chips AND two hours of



entertainment! We also have a dance contest where you can win different prizes each month! It is held the 2nd Friday of the month from 7-9pm at OLA/St. Joseph Center, 2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113 - in Tremont!

Check out our [flyer](#) for 2016 Dates!

Due to weather, there are times we have to cancel - for last minute updates call 216-334-2963 or 2962 - we will change our voice mail; email [Marilyn](#) or [Dennis](#); or check our [website](#).

Faith & Light Retreat

The 27th Annual Faith & Light Retreat will be June 24-26, 2016, at Loyola Retreat House - 700 Killinger Rd., Clinton, OH.

This retreat concentrates on the needs of persons with disabilities and their parents/caregivers. Siblings are invited as well. Cost is \$100 per person or \$300 for a family of four. There are limited scholarships available.

For registration, you can contact Becki Haller at Loyola Retreat House at 330-896-2315 x202. You can also click here for a [brochure](#) and [registration form](#).

What's Your Story? Developmental Disabilities (DD) Awareness Month



We celebrated DD Awareness during the month of March, but we continue to celebrate persons with disabilities all year long! Each of us has a story worth telling - check out our [stories](#)! Some stories are funny, some are serious and some are a mixture...but each is a story worth telling! Through each story, we can educate the community on how we are all connected.



Sharita Taylor - Whats Your Story



Shaye Taylor - Whats Your Story

#DDAwareness #WhatsYourStory #MYSTORY

Celebrating 50 Years of Disability Services

Do you have stories to tell?!

Throughout 2016, we will celebrate 50 Years of providing programs for persons with disabilities. All of the stories we share will be collected in one place on our website in an [ongoing blog](#).

But we need your stories to tell!! Send your stories & pictures to [Marilyn Scott](#) with "50 Years" in the subject field. Share them on our Facebook or Twitter pages using #DisabilityServices50years



Did You Know???

SPRING EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION SESSIONS

Spring 2016 formation sessions are currently in progress and posted on the Diocese of Cleveland Office for Worship's [website](#)

Your parish or institution should have received an email at the end of March with information to register your nominees. If you did not receive that email, please contact the office.

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