Greetings!
Welcome to the September edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter. In just one month is the 39th Annual Walk of Hope - Saturday, October 1.

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.

The 39th Annual Walk of Hope
Saturday, October 1, 2016

Join us for our 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! If you’ve never been to Tremont, consider coming for the 9am Walk. This Walk will take you on a tour and give you a great sense of what the neighborhood is all about: the shops and restaurants; Lincoln Park; and the community fee!!

Registration begins at 8:30 am and the Walk kicks off at 9:00. Make sure you join us after the Walk for food, music and a raffle with great giveaways!

At 11:00 am we have our Walk around Lincoln Park. This has become a very special part of the day, with balloons and many families and friends joining us to support persons with
If you are unable to join us, you can still support us. We are now offering the opportunity for Online Donations. Click on "Tickets" on the event page to make your online donation.

Click here for a flyer

Next Dance is September 9!

We took a month off in August, but are ready to dance the night away on September 9th!

The dances are for young adults and 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 currently held on 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.

Adult Education & Social Program begins Saturday, September 17

Are you interested in learning more? Are you interested in making new friends? Are you interested in community outings? Are you interested in fun? Read more to find out about this program and call or email us!

What do we do each Saturday??

We meet as a group at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland). Each Saturday morning we start by talking about our past week. We break into groups for math, reading and current events. After lunch we continue with art projects, computers, exercise and a fun-filled afternoon. Some Saturdays we go on fun community outings, such as Mitchell’s Ice Cream, the Crawford Auto & Aviation Museum, the House of Blues, Bob Evans, Cleveland Public Library, Tremont Arts Festival, Bowling, Cleveland Metroparks Zoo and more!

Who can join?

Adults with cognitive disabilities, ages 21 and over.
**How Long and How Much?**
The program begins Saturday, Sept. 17 and goes until Saturday, May 20 - with time off for Holidays. The cost is $88 per month, plus a one time $60 materials fee. This program is Waiver approved under the certification area of "Community Respite".

**Contact Us!**
If this sounds like a program you may be interested in, give us a call or send us an email! We’d love to tell you more about this educational, yet fun program! Call Marilyn at 216-334-2963 or Dennis at 216-334-2962 or email Marilyn or Dennis.

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**Faith & Light Pilgrimage of Mercy**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 8, 2016 from 10am to 4pm
THE NATIONAL SHRINE OUR LADY of LOURDES
21281 Chardon Rd., Euclid, OH

All people of the Diocese of Cleveland are invited to attend this one day Pilgrimage to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes. At the heart of this Pilgrimage will be people with disabilities and their families and friends, as we all pray for a more inclusive Church. Join with us as we cross over the threshold of the Holy Door and Celebrate this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy.

RESERVATIONS are NECESSARY
Groups and/or Individuals Call or Email Brian at 216-338-4260
Click here for a brochure

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**Catholic Blind Dinner Dance**

The annual Catholic Blind Dinner Dance will take place on October 9th from 2pm until 6pm at Mylott Hall at St Augustine Church, 2486 West 14th in Cleveland. Tickets are only 20 dollars!

The proceeds will assist the Catholic Blind Association and the St. Augustine Hunger Center. Blind or sighted persons are welcome!

Call St Augustine Church to make reservations – 216-781-5530.

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**CCBDD Community Engagement Survey**

The Cuyahoga County Board of DD is conducting a brief survey to better understand how people with developmental disabilities, those who care for and provide support to them, and other stakeholders feel about persons with developmental disabilities working, traveling and participating in activities and events in their communities. They are also hoping to learn about places in the community open to the public that do an exceptional job of including people with disabilities. They want to collect this information to make sure it is available to others who can benefit from opportunities available to all in the community and replicate promising practices.
Extraordinary Minister Registration

Fall 2016 extraordinary minister of Holy Communion formation session registration will be open soon. Watch your parish bulletin for info or visit the Office for Worship webpage.

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

Sincerely,

Dennis McNulty & Marilyn Scott
Catholic Charities Disability Services