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## Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter

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### Greetings!

April is Autism Awareness Month - check out our Light It Up Blue pictures below! Following is the April 2019 edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter, which has lots of information for you - especially about summer camp, which is just around the corner!

For more information about our services check out our [website](#)! Also don't forget to check out our upcoming events by clicking "News & Events" and following us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

### Quick Links

[Disability Services & Ministries Website](#)

### Upcoming Events

APRIL

Autism Awareness Month

May 10

Dance at OLA/St. Joseph Center

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### Register for Camp Happiness!!

Camp Happiness is open for registration! Call us for a packet or print it out from our [website](#). We are excited for a fun-filled summer for those who attend and work at Camp Happiness!



Camp Happiness is a six-week summer day camp for children and young adults, ages 5-21, with cognitive disabilities, from June 17 - July 26, 2019. We have two locations - St. Francis de Sales in Parma and Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe.

You can sign up for 1 week or multiple weeks. The weekly cost is \$350 and there are many options for payment and assistance. Camp Happiness is a Waiver provider (IO, Level One & SELF) under Community Respite. *(Waiver does not cover the cost of transportation)*

Our staff ensure that the campers have a fun and adventurous

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summer, with field trips, swimming, arts & crafts and lots of singing! If you are interested in learning more, call 216-334-2963 or [email](#) us or visit our [website](#).

We are also interviewing for new counselors. If you or someone you know may be interested in working at Camp Happiness this summer, [email Lauren Mailey](#) for more information.



Camp Happiness will be re-accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA) this summer, ensuring that we continue to provide the best camp for your child.

**Camp Happiness Match Challenge Update**

Thank you for your support of our Logsdon Family Foundation Camp Happiness Match Challenge! We have now raised over \$3,000 of our \$10,000 in just one month. Last month was DD Awareness Month - this month is Autism Awareness Month!! What a great time to raise money for our Camp Happiness summer program!

**Will you help us reach \$10,000?!?**

You can donate [online](#) or send a check made payable to "Catholic Charities Disability Services" to 7911 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, OH 44102.



**Catholic Charities Summit County Golf Outing**

The 24th annual Catholic Charities Summit County Golf Outing will be June 6, 2019, at Mayfair in Uniontown. Come out and support Catholic Charities programming at Camp Christopher for individuals with developmental disabilities. It will be a day full of fun, great food and fellowship. For a information, call

330-762-2961, ext. 220, or email [Carl Bako](#) or you can register [online](#).

[2019 Golf Outing Flyer](#)



## *April is Autism Awareness Month*

What a great show of support by the employees (and one resident!) of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland and St. Augustine Health Ministries. April is Autism Awareness Month and on April 2nd, we wore blue to make others aware. Thank you to all of you who came to the Manor for our annual picture and to those who sent pictures! Click [here](#) to see more employee photos!

*Catholic Charities and St. Augustine Health Ministries Light It Up Blue for Autism Awareness  
#LIUB2019 #AutismAwareness*



## *Saturday Program*

The Saturday program participants have been busy this Spring! They celebrated St. Patrick's Day with guest magician David Anthony! David is an awesome magician and our participants had a great time assisting him with his illusions!



In April Andrew Horansky from WKYC, Channel 3, visited and talked about his experiences as a reporter and all the places he has lived and reported from. He shared funny stories and told us some of the famous people he has met along the way!



We also continued our **Healthy Lifestyles Program!** We are currently learning about nutrition and creating healthy habits throughout our week! Students created delicious meal size salads and had a dance party!

If you or someone you know may be interested in joining us on Saturdays, you can [email](#) or call Lauren for more information.

## 2019 Dance Schedule

**May 10 is the Next Dance!!!**



CATHOLIC  
CHARITIES  
Diocese of Cleveland

Disability Services

Dance Night  
2019

**OLA/ST. JOSEPH CENTER**  
2346 W. 14TH ST, CLEVELAND, OH 44113

FOR PERSONS WITH AND WITHOUT  
DISABILITIES

AGES 16+ | \$3 | 7-9PM

March 8	Sept. 13
April 12	Oct. 11
May 10	Nov. 8
June 7	Dec. 13

**Please join us at our dances in 2019!  
Two hours of fun, music and a dance contest!**

- Don't forget that all dancers should bring identification (ID or nametag with telephone number)
- For sensory sensitive individuals, please be advised that our dances do have flashing lights and loud music

- Supervision of dance participants must be provided by a family member or direct care staff (Free admission for family/staff)

Email [Lauren Mailey](mailto:Lauren.Mailey) or call  
(216) 334-2963 with any questions

*Due to weather, sometimes we have to cancel - for last minute updates call our voicemail at 216-334-2963 or 2962 or check our website*

## ***Happenings Around the Diocese***

### ***Seton Catholic School in Hudson American Sign Language/Deaf Culture Class***

Mrs. Rebecca Schapel began teaching an intro to American Sign Language class and a Deaf Culture class during the 2017/2018 school year at Seton Catholic School in Hudson, an Independent Catholic school within the Diocese of Cleveland. The class is offered to 7th grade students on a semester basis, and as a year long elective to 8th grade students.

Below is an article from Seton Catholic School *(edited to fit our E-News)*

#### **"Creative Curriculum Ignites Innovation**

28 million Americans.... 1 in 10 have some degree of hearing loss.

Pioneering a rapidly growing trend, Seton Catholic School is one of only a handful of non-deaf schools in the United States teaching American Sign Language at the middle school level. The class is taught by Seton teacher, Mrs. Rebecca Schapel.

American Sign Language (ASL) is the fastest growing foreign language and the third most utilized language in the United States, only behind English and Spanish. Currently, more deaf people are learning ASL than any other language...

...Mrs. Schapel invited her students to participate in the "Tech 4 Innovation" contest, sponsored by Scholastic and MasterCard... The contest encourages innovation in technology....The ASL class was to brainstorm an obstacle within the deaf community and come up with a technologically advanced solution...Seton Catholic School 7th grade student, Casey Kula, won the national sixth and seventh grade division!

Casey's digital innovation was (in his own words), "An app that videos ASL and turns it into closed captions and turns English into closed captions." The problem his innovation solved was "...translating ASL to English so they can have a conversation.... and letting people that do not know ASL talk to deaf people."

...Mrs. Schapel has a daughter Lucy who is deaf. She has been

incorporating her appreciation of the deaf community and incorporating Sign Language in her role as a Teaching Aide with Seton First Grade students...Additionally all students, are exposed to an additional foreign language, able to perform basic signs to communicate with the deaf community and develop an appreciation of the differences between the deaf and hearing communities..."

Keep up the great work Mrs. Schapel and Seton Catholic!

For more information on Seton Catholic School visit their [website](#)



*We wish you and your family a joyful and blessed Easter!*

Marilyn Scott & Lauren Mailey  
Catholic Charities Disability Services