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Monthly Dances ~

October is Halloween ~ wear your costumes!!!

Enjoy friends, dancing, snacks, prizes and great music!

Cost ~ \$3.00 for dancers (Staff are Free)

ID ~ Dancers must present ID on arrival and this ID must be kept with the dancers not with staff
Another option is a nametag with their name and phone number on it

Supervision ~ If supervision is needed, the individual group home or family must provide.

Ages ~ 16 and over



Now in 3 Locations...

OLA/St. Joseph Center ~ from 7 - 9:30 pm

2346 West 14th St., Cleveland

NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR OCTOBER

Fridays, Oct. 8; Nov. 12; Dec. 10

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

19350 Euclid Ave., Euclid

216-481-4823

Fridays, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19

Catholic Charities Family Center in Lorain
from 7 - 9:30 pm

203 W. 8th St., Lorain, OH 44052

440-244-9915

Friday, October 22

We'll See You At Our

27th Annual

Walk for Disabilities on

Saturday, October 2, 2004

Sponsored by

Catholic Charities Health & Human Services
Disability Services & Ministries

Held at

OLA/St. Joseph Center

2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113

Schedule:

8 am ~ Registration

9 am ~ Walk through Tremont

10:30 am ~ Raffle Drawing

11:30 am ~ Walk around Lincoln Park

Many Raffle Prizes...

T-shirts to those with over \$150 in pledges...

choice of a Travel Mug or Coffee Mug to those with over \$75 in pledges...

\$100 Gift Certificate for shopping mall to those bringing in \$1000 or more...

Call 216-334-2963 for more information!!!

Weekend Retreats!!!

Register soon for the October 15-17, 2004 Retreat

Spaces are limited to 20 Retreatants & fill up quickly!

Retreats held at St. Joseph Christian Life Center
located along the shores of Lake Erie (18485 Lake Shore Blvd.)

Call
(216) 334-2963
to register

The fee is \$90.00
Send your checks to:
Disability Services
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Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries System Bulletin

On October 10, St. Augustine Church, Hunger Center and Disability Ministries will celebrate **Sr. Corita's 50 years of ministry as a religious** with a special mass at 11:00 at St. Augustine Church.

We are very excited to be able to celebrate with Sr. Corita and to thank God for her 50 years of Ministry. We hope that you are able to join us for this liturgy. God Bless Sr. Corita!

Social & Recreational Activities We want to inform you that Molly Worthington, Program Director of Social & Recreational Programs has recently resigned. She will be pursuing her special education teaching certification. We thank her for the four years she provided services to people with disabilities and wish her the greatest success and happiness in her future opportunities

Catholic Charities Family Center in Lorain ~ Jim Geppert Dancing the Night Away at 8th Street! Fifty-seven dancers and their caregivers enjoyed music, dancing, snacks and prizes at our center on Friday evening Aug. 20th. The "Friendship Connection" event was designed to offer adults with developmental disabilities an opportunity to make new friends in a community setting. Mark your calendar for our Halloween Dance, Oct. 22nd. Scary & silly costumes are encouraged!

OLA/St. Joseph Center News ~ Tom McFadden, Principal The OLA/St. Joseph Center students and staff are off to a great beginning of the school year. We held a Parent Open House on Wednesday, September 8. This event allowed our parents to meet their child's teachers, answer questions, and learn about curriculum, policies, procedures for the 2004-2005 school year.

Congratulations to our Religion Teacher, Ms. Milka Peric, who received a \$1000 gift donation from the MBNA Foundation!

A reminder to all the friends of the OLA/St. Joseph Center and Catholic Charities, please mark your calendars for the annual Walk-a-Thon to be held on Saturday, October 2.

Wish List for the OLA/St. Joseph Center We are seeking a piano in order to provide music therapy for children and adults with mr/dd. If you or someone you know would like to assist us with this donation, please call Dennis McNulty at 216-334-2962 or e-mail him at dcmcnulty@dioceseofcleveland.org. We are really hoping that there is an angel out there who will help us!

CYO & Community Services, Summit Co., Tess Flannery CYO & Community Services is hosting a Fall camping trip at Camp Christopher beginning Friday, October 15 and ending on Sunday, October 17 for persons with disabilities living in the home with family. If you are interested in attending, please call Tessy Flannery at (330) 762-2961 x224.

Supported Employment Pat Price reports that Supported Employment recently assisted a man who is 70 years old with employment! He was referred to us from the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR). We were successful in helping him get a job at one of the finest hotels in downtown Cleveland. They are so happy with him commenting that "He is always early, so courteous, and so eager to do a good job."

From Disability Ministries

The remaining 2004 monthly Retreat dates are: Oct. 15-17; Nov. 19-21; Dec. 10-12. **The 2005 monthly Retreat dates are: Jan. 14-16; Feb. 18-20; Mar. 24-26 (Holy Week); Apr. 15-17; May 20-22; Sept. 16-18; Oct. 21-23; Nov. 18-20; Dec. 16-18.**

The Circle, Everyone Belongs will take place 4 times this coming year. We will get the dates to you very soon.

The Beatitudes Religious Education program for children with disabilities begins Saturday, September 25, 2004, from 11am – 1pm at St. Augustine Church in Cleveland. The second session is October 16 and will be the second Saturday each month after until June of 2005. For more information call St. Augustine's at 216-781-5530.

For information of the New Hope Faith & Light call St. Augustine's.

Call 216-781-5530 for information on Disability Ministries.

Community Information

Don't Forget -> Saturday, October 2nd is the 27th Annual Walk for Disabilities. Please see the front of the newsletter for more detailed information about the Walk!! If you have questions, please call 216-334-2963! Bring your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers...

Our next Diocesan wide liturgy will be our Annual Journey to Bethlehem Mass on Saturday, December 18, 2004 at 10:30 am at OLA/St. Joseph Center. This wonderful celebration has become a tradition that begins the Christmas season. Please plan to join us. Our main celebrant will again be Bishop Roger Gries.

The Cuyahoga County Board of MR/DD will provide sponsorships for up to 10 adults who are residents of Cuyahoga County and who are siblings of individuals with MR/DD for the annual **Ohio Adult Sibling Conference** November 5-6 at the Columbus Marriot Airport Hotel. Those who are interested in CCBMR/DD sponsorship, should contact Lula Holt Robertson from CCBMR/DD at 216/736-2691 or robertson@ccbmrdd.org

Playhouse Square Center is excited to present **BIG RIVER, The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**, at the Palace Theatre, downtown Theater District, November 30 to December 12, 2004. This touring Broadway musical includes deaf, hard-of-hearing and hearing actors performing each role in a synchronized ballet of speaking and signing. Spoken English and American Sign Language are interwoven with music, dance and storytelling techniques from both hearing and deaf cultures into a "third language" creating a unique theatrical event and the adventure of a lifetime! BIG RIVER is a slice of pure Americana!

The Group Sales department is offering a group rate to those mentioning the Catholic Diocese. The special offer is valid on Sunday, December 12, 2004 at 6:30pm. Call for ticket availability and special pricing. Tickets are as low as \$16! Call 216-771-4444 and ask for "Broadway Group Sales" today or send us an e-mail at JulieG@playhousesquare.com.

An evening at the theatre makes a great event for family, friends, coworkers and clients as well. We offer group rates for all Broadway shows for 20 or more people. Have more fun! Bring a group!

September Travels with Art On Wheels, Inc. ~ "Voices of Expression" Traveling Inclusive Art Exhibit featuring artists from The Cuyahoga County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities will be at different venues, simultaneously! Locations include: 1) The Cleveland Clinic, Main hospital building, central hallway, 9500 Euclid Ave. ~ Now thru September 30th; 2) Tommy's Restaurant (1824 Coventry, Coventry Village, Cleve. Hts., OH) Tuesday, September 7th thru Saturday, November 6th; 3) Dominion East Ohio, main headquarters ~ this is for employees and authorized visitors only.

The holidays are just around the corner. Consider giving a meaningful, one of a kind, gift of art to those you love, while supporting local artists. For more information, contact Carolina Martin, M.Ed., Executive Director, Art On Wheels, Inc. at 216-941-7643

Second Generation Foster Care Call Catholic Charities/Parmadale at 440-843-5587 for information regarding Mission Driven Foster Care service for Teens. You must be at least 21 years of age, enjoy parenting teens, have a positive attitude and a willingness to learn, be dedicated and committed and have space in your home or apartment for a child. Weekly information sessions will be held at Parmadale ~ call to RSVP.

You may find the following sites interesting. Both offer perspectives on current issues dealing with Ohioans who have mental retardation and other developmental disabilities: www.mrddawareness.org Associated with County Boards of MR/DD & www.opra.org Ohio Provider Resource Association

The Cleveland Institute of Art (CIA), located at 1141 East Boulevard, will be showing the film PEOPLE SAY I'M CRAZY on Saturday, October 16, at 5:45 pm and Sunday, October 17, at 9:30 pm.

The film is a rare look at mental illness from the inside. This powerful video diary chronicles the filmmaker's real-life struggle with schizophrenia, first diagnosed when he was a 21-year-old art student in Pittsburgh. Visit www.peoplesayimcrazy.org for more information on the film. Tickets are \$8. For more information call 216.421.7450 or visit www.cia.edu/cinematheque

Sharing God's Word with People with Disabilities This Workshop will be Saturday, November 6, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Holy Martyrs Church, 3100 South Weymouth Rd., Medina, Ohio. Presenters are Dennis McNulty, Director of Disability Services and Father Joseph McNulty, Pastor, St. Augustine Church, Cleveland and Director of Disability Ministries. This workshop is for Catechists of children and adults with special needs and anyone desiring to share God's Word of Love with people with disabilities.

Please bring any materials and/or resources you are now using. The cost is \$15.00. Checks can be made payable to Office of Catechetical Services. Refreshments start at 8:30 am.

Please call Pat Flaherty at 800-869-6525 x1029 or 330-773-7621 for information or e-mail epekarek@dioceseofcleveland.org