



2016



CENTER NEWS

Susie's Corner...

Welcome to the New Year! We have many exciting things planned for 2016! Watch for emails, flyers and newsletters to keep you up to date on all the happenings. CCA management and staff would like to thank you for all of your efforts in the past year and we are looking forward to working together in the future!

New Board Members

We have added three new Board Members to the CCA team. As a Board Member, Bev Smith will represent educational services. She was the Hamilton County DDS Children Services Director and presently is the Statewide Consultant and Project Director for the Evidence Based Practices in the Early Intervention Grant. In addition she initiated the development of the Regional Autism Advisory Council. I have had the pleasure to work with Bev. She will be a wonderful resource of knowledge and I cannot wait to collaborate with her again. We welcome back Chris Galish, as the parent representative to the CCA Board. Chris has been instrumental in PTO activities, fundraising and supporting CCA curriculum development. She has been here from the inception of CCA. She has a wealth of knowledge from a parent perspective and I utilize her skills often. The newest addition is Jayson Leyda as the banking representative. He has been supporting CCA

through his employment at First Financial and has been helpful regarding banking matters.



Farewell To Matt Brennan



Matt Brennan's last official act as President of the CCA Board was December 16, 2015. He will truly be missed. Matt and Susan Brennan founded the Cincinnati Center for Autism in 2003. Their mission was to provide a variety of services designed to help children with autism reach their fullest potential. Matt and Susan began this journey frustrated by the lack of services available to their son at the time of diagnosis and the desire to provide families a place to go for information and services. Their vision was to provide programs designed to address behavioral, social, communication and motor delays common in children with autism based upon the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Education Core Standards. It was their perseverance, dedication and vision that has made CCA the outstanding program it is today. We hope to continue on their mission and provide quality educational and behavioral programs for families. Thank you Matt, we bid you farewell and wish you the best in the future!

HO, HO, HO!

A special thank you to Howard Martini for volunteering on Monday, December 21, 2015 to be our CCA Santa and his daughter, Amy Holland as his helper. Every student had the opportunity to meet and interact with Santa. I am hoping he grants everyone their special wish. Pictures have been taken and were sent to parents.



Nutcracker Fieldtrip



The Destiny and Super Hero room went on a field trip December 22, 2015 to the Sensory Nutcracker at the Aronoff Center. Due to the generous contribution from a staff member, the students traveled in style in a white Hummer limousine. The students had an awesome time listening to the music and watching the dancers perform. They set an amazing example for CCA, as they practiced their excellent etiquette and social skills. The excitement continued after the performance to Gold Star Chili for lunch, of course in the big white limo. I think this is one event the students will remember for a very long time.



SHOUT OUT:



The Ladies of Harper's Point Tennis, Team Silver (from Loveland, OH.) held a fundraiser and made a donation in honor of Jake Wentland to CCA. Thank You!

Important Dates at CCA

January 15th – Family Movie Event
"Winter Theme" at CCA from 3 -5 p.m.

January 18th – Martin Luther King Day
CCA Closed / No Staff

January 25th – Winter Concert
"at CCA, time TBA

February 10th – PTO Meeting
at CCA – 9:15 a.m.

PTO Teacher Appreciation Luncheon



Thank you to the PTO for hosting the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, December 16th. The food and company was awesome. It was so nice to have a break to sit down and eat a warm meal. CCA is so blessed to have an amazingly active PTO.

BOX TOP\$

Remember to collect your Box Tops and send them in. Every Box Top is worth ten cents. Please cut out the Box Tops on the dotted line and save them in a baggie. Tell family and friends to also save their box tops too.

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