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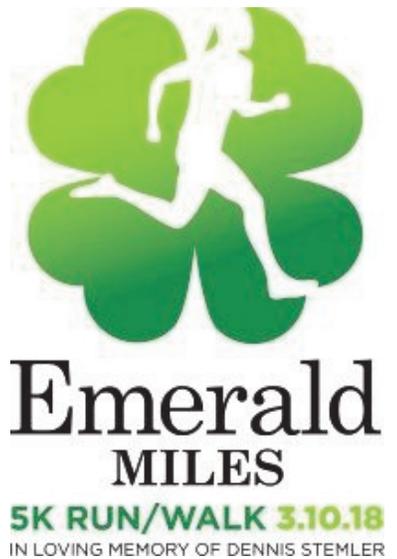
Are you ready for Emerald Miles 2018?

Registration is now open!

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Join us on Saturday, **March 10th, 2018**, for the annual Emerald Miles 5K run/walk! Your participation in this event helps the Epilepsy Foundation provide valuable services to our community including: counseling, support groups, community education, group homes, Camp Flame Catcher for youth with epilepsy, an Adult Day Activity Program and much more!

The race begins and ends at Newport on the Levee and is dedicated to the memory of Dennis Stemler. Dennis was an energetic, caring young adult who found joy in living. He never let life get him down, and always reached for the stars as he overcame the many struggles associated with epilepsy. He took part in the Epilepsy Foundation's Camp Flame Catcher and teen support group, was active in his high school and ran on both his school's cross country team and in this race. On February 24, 2004, Dennis died unexpectedly from a seizure. His death has had a profound impact on the community as hundreds of families, friends, and classmates have joined together to honor Dennis by participating in this event.





RUN TO ERASE EPILEPSY

3 Mile Run/Walk • 4.21.18

Please join us Saturday, **April 21st, 2018**, on a beautiful 3 mile course along the waterfront at Genoa Park in Columbus, Ohio. Race / Walk begins at 9:00 AM.

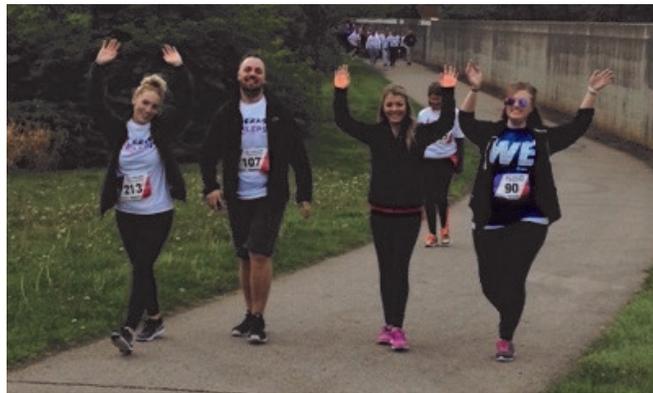
Gather your family and friends, create a team and register [HERE](#)!

View this informative [video](#) to see how you can effectively set up a team for RTEE and encourage your family and friends to support our cause. Together we can make a difference for people living with epilepsy!!!

For support with setting up your team click [HERE](#)



[Run to Erase Epilepsy Course Map](#)



[Taylor Huth Scholarship Fund](#)

The Taylor Huth Scholarship Fund was established by the family and friends of Benjamin "Taylor" Huth to remember and celebrate Taylor's zeal and love of life. This is a one year, \$1,500 scholarship honoring local college-bound students or students already in college who have epilepsy. Go to our website at www.epilepsy-ohio.org to find information and to apply. Be sure to include ALL the requested information. Every year someone misses out on this scholarship because of a lack of documentation.

Applications are due **February 22, 2018**.

Scholarship awards to be announced at Emerald Miles March 10th.



Dear Spaulding Foundation,

We want to thank you for your support with our group home improvement project. The grant you generously awarded us was used to blacktop the driveway and common lot area at one of our group homes, Benton Center. This project has been on our wish list for the past twenty years and we are so very grateful that with your support, we were finally able to make our wish a reality and complete the project. The residents, their families, and staff love having the area free of gravel and pot holes and able to use the space recreationally. Not only does it look great, more importantly, it is safer for our residents who use walkers, wheelchairs, or who have an unsteady gait. The area is being used more with the residents who are enjoying riding their bikes, taking walks, getting the mail, and playing games. It is fun to see how much joy they are receiving by being able to utilize the lot area for their enjoyment. It is also comforting to us knowing it is so much safer for them. This project will benefit the people we serve for years to come. We cannot thank you enough!

Again, thank you for your support. Your generosity has helped us provide a beautiful environment and nice quality of life for our clients. We thank you, our residents thank you, their families thank you, and our staff thanks you.



Welcome to the Rare Epilepsy Network. We need your help.

The Rare Epilepsy Network, or REN for short, is a collaboration between the [Epilepsy Foundation](#), [RTI International](#), [Columbia University](#) and many different organizations that represent patients with a rare syndrome or disorder that is associated with epilepsy or seizures. The REN will establish a registry of these patients which includes patient or caregiver-reported data in order to conduct patient-centered research. [Learn how you can help with this important research.](#)

Top 10 Reasons to Participate in the

- 1 Help researchers understand your rare epilepsy 
- 2 Enable faster and more efficient epilepsy research 
- 3 Help researchers identify individuals at risk 
- 4 Find better treatments for your rare epilepsy 
- 5 Improve the quality of care for people living with a rare epilepsy 
- 6 Help others obtain an early diagnosis and avoid delayed or misdiagnosis 
- 7 Help change the way rare diseases are studied 
- 8 Unlock the cause and lead to the cure for your rare epilepsy 
- 9 Share your story with researchers who really LISTEN 
- 10 Participate in your pajamas! 

Save The Dates



July 28, 2018 Flannagan's, Dublin, Ohio



Memorial Golf Tournament

TAYLOR HUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Taylor Huth Memorial Golf Tournament is an annual event that benefits the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus and remembers the fun-loving spirit of Taylor Huth, who began having seizures in high school and died at an early age. In spite of being challenged with epilepsy, Taylor was a good-natured young man who would do anything for anyone and was committed to life. Please join Taylor's family and friends in helping those who have epilepsy continue to live each moment to the fullest and celebrate Taylor's joy for life, friends and golf!

Friday, June 8th, 2018

Registration begins at 12:00 noon. – Shotgun start at 1:00 p.m

Location: Elk Run Golf Course, 2000 Ellick Rd., Batavia, OH 45103

Go to epilepsy-ohio/events for complete event information.

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**FAMILY
EPILEPSY
SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM**

2018

In 2018, UCB will award thirty-two scholarships to people living with epilepsy, their family members and caregivers pursuing higher education. Thirty applicants who demonstrate academic and personal achievement will receive scholarships of up to \$5,000 each. In addition, two applicants will receive Epilepsy Leader Scholarships of up to \$10,000 each honoring the late Sandra Helmers, MD, MPH and the late John M. Pellock, MD, two prominent figures in the epilepsy community who passed away in 2016.

Applications for the 2018 scholarship program are due **March 5, 2018**. Please click here to access [program details](#) and [FAQ](#) for the 2018 scholarship. Plus check out the [video library](#) to see highlights of the first decade and to hear from previous scholarship winners.

Camp Corner 2018

As the hopes of warmer weather enter our minds, we are excitedly planning for a great year of camping programs. We will again offer programs in both the Cincinnati and Columbus areas that will serve both kids and adults. Please note that because of our generous donors, we never turn anyone away from our camp program. If you need assistance, just ask. If you would like to give to support this outstanding program, just call. Together we are creating some awesome memories outdoors!

Spring Camp will take place the weekend of **April 6-8** at Camp Kern. During this 2 night, 3 day adventure kids age 8 and up will be able to explore the outdoors while fishing, hiking, horseback riding and much more. Cost is \$175.

Camp for Champs is our day camp centered around horseback riding and will be held at the Shane Center in Centerburg, Ohio, the week of **June 25-29**. Camp is held 9:00 a.m. to noon daily and activities are lead by the experienced staff at the Shane Center. Cost is \$50. Registration is limited to only 10 children, so call today.

Summer Camp will be the week of **July 15-19**. During this time the kids will swim daily, play games, do crafts, horseback ride, canoe and much more. The camp will be filled with close to 150 people so reserve you spot early. Cost is \$375.

Fall Camp will be held **September 21-23** at Camp Kern. Similar to our other camps, the kids will be outside enjoying many wonderful activities, but will be taking advantage of nice cool fall weather and the changing of the leaves. It is a great time to be outside, so please join us. Cost is \$175.

Adult Camp will be held **September 21-23** at Lutheran Memorial Camp, just north of Columbus. This camp is for adults 18 and older and features plenty of time to hike, do crafts and visit with friends. Its relaxed atmosphere is a great way to make new friends and enjoy the outdoors.



To register for any of these camps please call our office at (513) 721-2905 or email Mark Findley at mfindley@epilepsy-ohio.org.

Living WITH Epilepsy

Are your seizures not controlled by medications?

Wednesday, March 21 | 6:30 - 8:00pm

Epilepsy Foundation Office | 895 Central Ave., Ste. 550 | Cincinnati, OH

Learn about new treatment options for drug resistant epilepsy (intractable seizures) from epilepsy specialist Dr. David Ficker. Individuals living with epilepsy, loved ones, and caregivers are all welcome to join.

An individual benefiting from the NeuroPace RNS System will be there to speak about their experience with the RNS System. Light food and drinks will be provided.

The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus will also be broadcasting this event LIVE on Facebook! Visit their Facebook page at the time of the event to tune in.



David Ficker, MD
Professor of Neurology
University of Cincinnati Health

RSVP online at www.neuropace.com/ohioepilepsy or to the Epilepsy Foundation at (877) 804-2241

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Job Opportunities: Direct Care Workers

We currently have openings for **Direct Care Workers** to work with the residents in our group homes located in **Clermont County**. These positions involve assisting in providing for the resident's basic needs and following each client's Individual Habilitation Plan to encourage them to reach their maximum level of independence.

The openings are full-time.

For more information and to apply go to our [website](#) or call us at 513-721-2905.

Calendar of Events

February 7, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group:
Dempsey Family Education and
Resource Center (Silver Tower area of
Riverside Methodist Hospital, 3535
Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio
43214) * First Wednesday

February 14, 2018 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group: Kidd
Coffee (653 Reading Rd., Mason, OH,
45040) *2nd Wednesday

February 14, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group:
Dempsey Family Education and
Resource Center (Silver Tower area of
Riverside Methodist Hospital, 3535
Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio
43214) *2nd Wednesday

February 20, 2018 6:00 PM

Huntington, WV Epilepsy Support Group
(Enslow Presbyterian Church 1338
Enslow Blvd Huntington, WV 25701)
*3rd Tuesday

February 22, 2018

Taylor Huth Scholarship Application Due

February 22, 2018 6:00-7:30

Hamilton County Epilepsy Support
Group: Epilepsy Foundation's Main
Office (895 Central Ave., Suite 550,
Cincinnati, OH 45202) *3rd Wednesday

February 22, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group: Licking
Memorial Hospital (Mound View Room,
1320 West Main St., Newark, Ohio
43055) *3rd Wednesday

February 26, 2018 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group and
Teen Support Group: Dempsey Family
Education and Resource Center (Silver
Tower area of Riverside Methodist
Hospital, 3535 Olentangy River Road,
Columbus, Ohio 43214) ***Last Monday**

March 7, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

March 10, 2018 9:00 AM

Emerald Miles, Newport, Kentucky

March 14, 2018 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group

March 14, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group

March 20, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

WV Support Group

March 21, 2018, 2017 6:30-8:00 PM

Living with Epilepsy, Cincinnati, Ohio

March 21, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group

March 26, 2018 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group
& Teen Support Group

April 4, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

April 6-8, 2018

Spring Camp for Youth, Camp Kern

April 11, 2018 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group

April 11, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group

April 14, 2018

National Walk, Washington DC

April 17, 2018 6:00 PM

Huntington, WV Support Group

April 18, 2018 6:00-7:30 PM

Hamilton County Support Group

April 18, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group

April 21, 2018

Run To Erase Epilepsy, Columbus, Ohio

April 23, 2018 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group
& Teen Support Group

May 2, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

May 9, 2018 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group

May 9, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group

May 15, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Huntington, WV Support Group

May 16, 2018 6:00-7:30 PM

Hamilton County Support Group

May 16, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group

May 28, 2018 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group
& Teen Support Group

June 6, 2018 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

June 8, 2018

Taylor Huth Memorial Golf Tournament,
Elks Run, Batavia, Ohio

The Update is a periodic newsletter published by the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus (EFGCC). The EFGCC was founded in 1953 to assist people with epilepsy and their families in meeting their multiple health and social needs. We provide direct services to optimize each person's understanding of epilepsy and to improve their methods of coping with epilepsy in all facets of their lives.

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Thank You

We would like to extend our warmest thanks to the following foundations for their generous support by awarding the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus grants for our many services. Thanks to their generosity we are able to continue to serve those with epilepsy and their families. The 2017 Grants that were received and the programs to which they were designated include:

Group Home Improvements:

The Spaulding Foundation... \$22,225

Camp Program:

The Greater Cincinnati Foundation /
Summertime Kids ...\$1,000

Community Education Program:

The Epilepsy Foundation of America / Centers
for Disease Control ...\$5,000

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Counseling Program:

Charles H. Dater Foundation... \$10,000

Maxwell C. Weavers Foundation... \$5,000

StudioE Art Therapy / Lundbeck... \$8,000

The Epilepsy Foundation of America / Centers
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The Harry C. Moores Foundation... \$5,000

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\$5,000

Mission statement:

To lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives.

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