

2017, Volume II

Spaulding Foundation comes through with a HUGE Show of Support

We are very happy to announce that the Epilepsy Foundation has recently been awarded a grant from the Spaulding Foundation for close to \$30,000 to blacktop the driveway around the group home at Benton Center. We are so thankful they have chosen to provide funding as this project has been on our wish list for many, many years. The new pavement will allow us to cover over the old gravel driveway and walkway. In doing this, the residents and clients at the home and Day Activity will be able to safely and smoothly walk and wheel about. This will also make recreational activities like bike riding so much nicer. We would like to thank the Board of Directors at the Spaulding Foundation for funding this project. Your commitment to our agency and the people we serve is greatly appreciated.



Taylor Huth Golf Outing Hosts another Sellout Crowd

With beautiful weather, a course in excellent shape and a golf course full of generous donors and supporters, the Epilepsy Foundation hosted its annual golf outing benefitting our college scholarship program. Starting off with a moving performance by Stephen Watt on the bagpipes, the golfers were treated to an outing that had everyone smiling. [Skyline in Tri-County](#) again donated Coney's for all the participants and [Stagnaro Distributing](#) provided cold beer on the course for all golfers. Additionally, they were treated to golf shirts from [Dayton Freight](#) and [Gem City Tire](#), and golf umbrellas from [Schiff Insurance](#). After a great round of golf, everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and the presentation of the scholarship awards. Thanks to all who took part, sponsored and made this event possible. You are helping us touch the lives of people with epilepsy in profound ways.



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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Greetings

I hope you all have enjoyed your summer and were able to spend some good quality time with friends and family.

On August 11, 2017, the CDC released it's "Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report" which revealed more people living with epilepsy in the United States than ever before. There are at least 3.4 million in the US with epilepsy. The CDC estimates that 126,400 people in Ohio live with epilepsy of which 16,900 are children.

This information fuels the need to continually work hard to fulfill our mission to lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives. It further enhances our need to ensure that our programs meet the complex needs of adults and children living with epilepsy.

We are here to educate people in our community about epilepsy, raise public awareness, and to increase the understanding of epilepsy and dispel myths. Further, we are here to train school nurses, teachers, first responders, law enforcement, child care providers and employers about seizure recognition and first aid. We also provide advocacy not only on a state level but also through attending IEP meetings or meeting with employers.

To learn more about our programs and services, visit our website at www.epilepsy-ohio.org or call 513-721-2905. We are only a phone call away and always ready to help.

-Kathy



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July 29, 2017

More pics [here](#) on our FB page



Six Young Adults Awarded Scholarships

Thanks to the family and friends of Taylor Huth and our golf outing participants, six young adults will be heading to college this fall with a little extra support. At the Taylor Huth Memorial Golf Outing in June we were happy to announce the winners of the [Taylor Huth Memorial Scholarship](#) for 2017. This year we received seventeen applications for the scholarships and the committee had a challenging time narrowing down the field. All the applicants showed a great amount of determination and stamina in overcoming the challenges which seizures often present. Not only did they succeed in school, but many were involved in extra-curriculum activities and volunteered in the community. We are happy to award scholarships to the following students:

Lara Klein	Cameron Lowe
Connor Pohlgeers	Emily Sayre
Hamilton Scott	Conner Templin

StudioE Continues to Inspire Artists

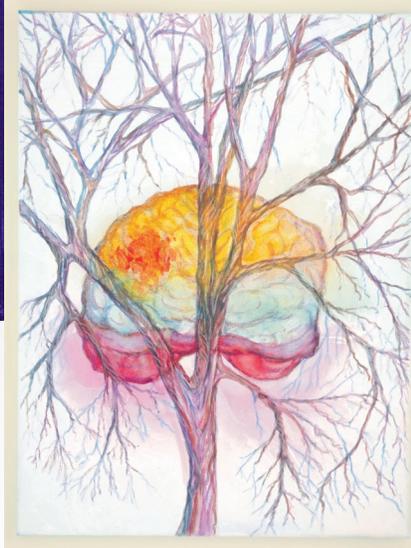
Thanks to our gracious donor, [Lundbeck Pharmaceutical](#), we were able to again host our [StudioE Art Therapy](#) programs in both Cincinnati and Columbus. This unique program brought together over 20 artists with epilepsy who were able to create some amazing pieces of art. These ranged from sculptures to painting and drawing. While creating beautiful works of art, the participants were able to show through their art that

although I have epilepsy, epilepsy does not have me.

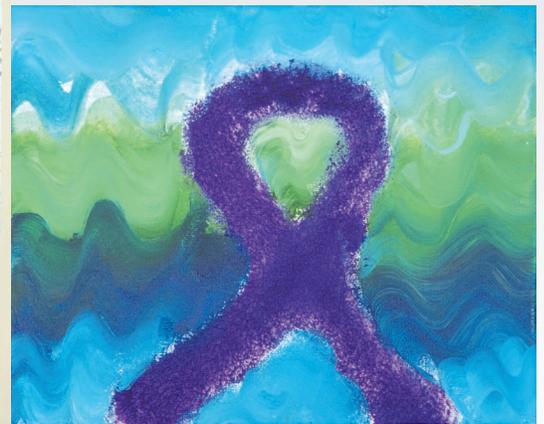
Thanks again Lundbeck for making this program possible.



Always Believe in Yourself
- Molly Foote

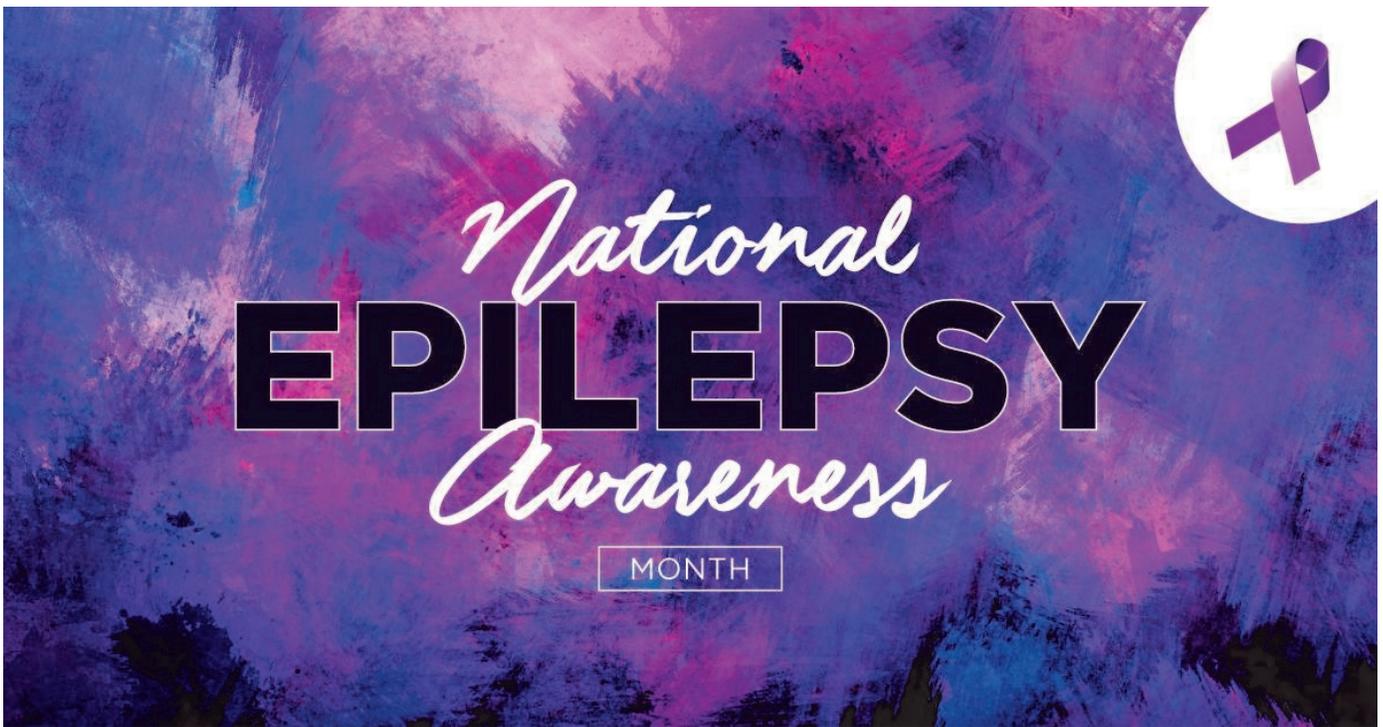


Tree Dissecting Brain
-Mary A. Hoffelt



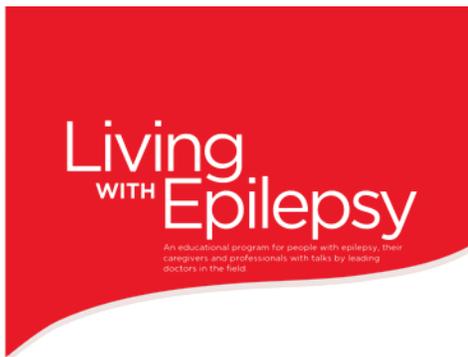
Purple Ribbon
- Shyanne Dale





*The Epilepsy Foundation has celebrated National Epilepsy Awareness Month since 1969. In 2003, Congress passed a formal resolution declaring **November** as National Epilepsy Awareness Month. In recognition of Epilepsy Awareness Month, the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus has packed the first week of November with several local events to raise awareness of epilepsy and those it affects.*

Come and join us!



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Living with Epilepsy

Saturday, November 4, 2017

8:00 AM – 3:45 PM

Nationwide Children's Hospital Education Center, 1st Floor
700 Children's Dr, Columbus, OH 43205

People living with epilepsy, their caregivers and friends, along with professionals in the field of neurology are encouraged to attend this all day seminar focusing on the latest treatments and trends in epilepsy. A variety of sessions will be offered by leading professionals in the field and CEU's will be offered. This is a conference you don't want to miss!

Registration opening soon.

For further details go to epilepsy-ohio.org or call 614-725-1031

A Celebration of Hope for Those Living with Epilepsy

Friday, November 3, 2017

7:00 pm-11:00 pm

Enjoy a night out meeting and celebrating with those who have *Seized Hope* and attained success through their accomplishments. This event is to honor all of the individuals living with epilepsy who do not allow their epilepsy to stop them from achieving their goals and reaching great success! The unique venue is a one-of-a kind museum with a century of signage on display that is sure to trigger childhood memories. The night will be filled with fun, great company, full bar service, heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts, a basket raffle, a silent auction and an awards presentation. There is complimentary valet parking.



Our 5th annual Seize Hope Fundraiser will take place:

- Friday, November 3, 2017, 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
- Individual Tickets are \$85 each; \$150 per couple
 - [American Sign Museum](#)
- 1130 Monmouth St., Cincinnati, OH 45225

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Online registration will be open soon!

Sunday November 5th, 2017

Race starts at 8:00 AM.

Same day registration is from 6:30-7:30 AM in the [Mason Community Center](#).

[6000 Mason-Montgomery Road](#)

[Mason, Ohio 45040](#)



Runners will follow a beautiful course through the local parks and streets of Mason. Chip timing is used and all finishers of the 5K run/walk and of the half marathon will receive finisher medals as well as a great event shirt. If you would like to preview the courses, you can find them here: [Mason Half and 5K Course 2016](#) (pdf document) and [Mason half marathon course](#)

Register early for discounts: <https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Mason/MasonHalfMarathon>



Thank you to our 2017 sponsors thus far! If you or your company would like to become a sponsor, email: mfindley@epilepsy-ohio.org

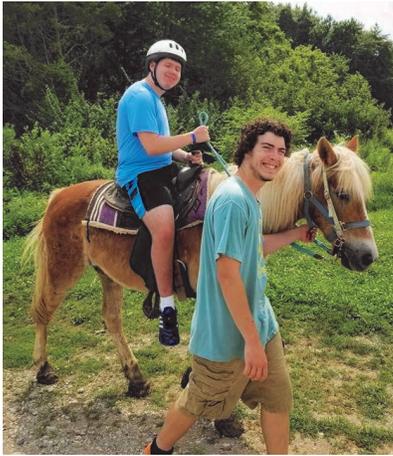
Camp Corner

Fall Camp 2017

This fall we have two camping options for you. They both take place the weekend of **September 22-24**, but in different parts of the state:

Adult Weekend Camp will again take place at [Lutheran Memorial Camp](#), just north of Columbus. This beautiful camp features a small lodge where all participants will stay and take part in a variety of activities ranging from crafts to hiking, games and more. Please email Karen Brown at kbrown@epilepsy-ohio.org for more information or to register.

Fall Kids Camp will take place at Elk Lodge at [Camp Kern](#) the same weekend and will give kids with epilepsy the chance to come together for fun, fellowship and support. We plan to be canoeing, fishing, hiking, and much more throughout the weekend. To take part, email Mark Findley at mfindley@epilepsy-ohio.org.



Teens Speak Up! and the Public Policy Institute is the Epilepsy Foundation's centerpiece advocacy initiative. Every year the National Epilepsy Foundation brings together over 150 advocates, including Epilepsy Foundation affiliate staff, parents, teens, doctors, and volunteers from across the nation. Through this initiative, we are able to strengthen our advocacy network and share updates on the state of epilepsy research & funding as well as give our families an opportunity to speak with Congress and share their stories of living with epilepsy.

This year the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and Columbus was proud to send three teens and their parents from our service area to Washington DC, to receive advocacy training, meet with their legislators, and tell their personal stories.



Way to go! Kyleala, Shyanne, and David!

Shyanne Dale of Mason, Ohio and
Kyleala Stokes of Columbus, Ohio



West Virginia Senator Shelly Moore Capito,
David and Sarah Roach of Saint Albans,
West Virginia, & Dr. Mary Payne

Calendar of Events

September 6, 2017 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

September 13, 2017 5:30-7:00 PM

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

September 13, 2017 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

September 19, 2017 6:00 PM

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

September 20, 2017 6:00-7:30

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

September 20, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

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

September 22-24, 2017

Fall Camp for Youth, Camp Kern, Oregonia, Ohio

September 22-24, 2017

Fall Camp for Adults, Lutheran Memorial Camp, Fulton, Ohio

September 26, 2017 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 Tuesday

October 4, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

October 11, 2017 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group

October 11, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group

October 17, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Huntington, WV Support Group

October 18, 2017 6:00-7:30 PM

Hamilton County Support Group

October 18, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group

October 31, 2017 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group and Teen Support Group

November 1, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Adult Support Group

November 3, 2017

Seize Hope Gala, Cincinnati, Ohio

November 4, 2017

Living With Epilepsy, Nationwide Children's Hospital Education Center, Columbus, Ohio

November 5, 2017

Mason Half Marathon & 5K Run/Walk, Mason, Ohio

November 8, 2017 5:30-7:00 PM

Warren County Support Group

November 8, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Columbus Young Adult Support Group

November 15, 2017 6:00-7:30 PM

Hamilton County Support Group

November 15, 2017 6:00-8:00 PM

Licking County Support Group

November 21, 2017 6:00 PM

Huntington, WV Support Group

November 28, 2017 6:30-8:00 PM

Columbus Parent Support Group & Teen Support Group

December 2017

**** PLEASE NOTE****

No Support Groups scheduled this month

Like us on Facebook to keep up with all of our events!



More pics [here](#) on our FB page

Genoa Park in downtown Columbus, Ohio



Thanks GE!!!

We would like to thank a very gifted, talented and generous group of engineers from GE who recently volunteered at Benton Center and built a bike shed for the residents. These volunteers have been coming out to our facility for the past six years and have made a lasting impact. They have painted, built various projects, done landscaping and much more. Led by John D'Sa and Grant Pickard, these volunteers have made a huge difference. Thank you very much!!!!



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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