



# TRUMBULL COUNTY

BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

*Their Journey, Their Needs, Our Support.*



# SUMMER 2018 NEWSLETTER

## Save The Date

- **20th Annual Art Show**  
November 7, 5-7:30 p.m.
- **Basket Open House**  
October 31 - November 2,  
8 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- **Fashion Show**  
March 30, 2019, Metroplex

## Upcoming Events

- **Journey of Hope Meet and Greet Dance**  
August 4, 2-4 p.m.
- **Closed for Labor Day**  
September 3
- **Fairhaven School and Special Olympics Golf Outing**  
September 8 @ Knoll Run Golf Course
- **All Staff In Service Day (no students or consumers)**  
October 12
- **Closed for Thanksgiving**  
November 21 – November 23

## TCBDD Receives Three-Year Accreditation

The Trumbull County Board of Developmental Disabilities (TCBDD) recently received a three-year official accreditation from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD).

The Office of Provider Standards and Review within the DODD Division of Legal and Oversight is responsible for monitoring and overseeing the county boards in terms of accreditation. Accreditation reviews are conducted by DODD to ensure that county boards meet certain accreditation standards as outlined in the Ohio Administrative Code 5123:2-1-02.

During the review process, all aspects of a county board’s services, including personnel administration, service planning and delivery, medication administration, behavior support, money management, waiver administration, health and welfare and other indicators of the Board’s general effectiveness are examined. This includes reviews of the following programs and services: Early Intervention, SSA Services, Behavior Support, and staff training and certifications.

## Transition Update:

On April 25, the Trumbull County Board of Developmental Disabilities hosted a successful Transition Information Forum for parents, guardians and individuals. In coordination with the Board’s new provider, Fairhaven Industries, Inc., the Board hosted the event at the Champion Workshop in Warren. A total of 100 guests, with both TCBDD Superintendent Edward Stark and Fairhaven Industries CEO George Paroz in attendance, participated in two sessions from 9 to 11 a.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.

The Board is still in the process of working towards a final service transition with Fairhaven. Fairhaven Industries will officially begin providing services to TCBDD on July 1. During this transition, it’s important to continue our communication about the changes involved with individuals served, families and caregivers and answer any questions they may have. TCBDD and Fairhaven Industries will continue to host family forums, like the one for the Champion Workshop, throughout the transition.

## Fairhaven Classic

Over 60 golfers participated in the annual Fairhaven Classic on Monday, June 4 at Squaw Creek Country Club in Youngstown. We would like to thank our major sponsors this year, including Kaleidoscope Project, Leeda Northeast Inc., New Leaf Residential Services, Person Centered Services (PCS) and Sylvester Construction LLC. We would like to extend our congratulations to the winning team, Team Francisco, who finished the event with a top score of 11 under par! We are grateful to all of our sponsors, golfers and volunteers that supported the Classic this year – we couldn’t have done it without you!

If you were unable to make it to this year’s Fairhaven Classic, save the date for next year’s event that will take place on Monday, June 3, 2019. The support we receive is highly appreciated, as it ultimately benefits the Fairhaven Foundation and the individuals served by TCBDD.



## DD Awareness Distinguished Readers

March 23 – During Developmental Disability Awareness Month, individuals from our Workshop programs spent time reading to our Preschool classrooms. This year's theme was "Dr. Seuss" and everyone enjoyed their time at the School.



## Fairhaven Prom

April 20 – the Fairhaven School Prom was held at Leo's Ristorante in Howland. Our King and Queen were crowned – Congratulations to seniors Jamie Zuhosky and Brandon Scarberry-Haynes!



## Preschool Jr. Olympics



April 26 – Our preschool classrooms held their 12th annual Jr. Olympics Exhibition displaying the students' tumbling, jumping, running, balancing, climbing, and throwing skills! Our Adaptive Physical Education teachers worked with all students to prepare them for the event. Classes paraded around the gym representing their team's country. All students received a medal and t-shirt for participating!



## Donations Fund Preschool Projects



Donorschoose.org is a website that focuses on 'bringing educators dreams to life'. Each project raises funds to support the needs and wants of the individual classroom. Over the month of April, preschool teacher, Danielle Mrofchak, has been fortunate enough to complete two projects through the Donorchoose.org site. The first project, "Weighted Animals to Keep School Cool!" raised over \$400 to purchase 12 weighted stuffed animals for the sensory needs of her students. The second project, "Keeping the Light Shining in Preschool" raised over \$600 to purchase a light table and a set



of manipulatives to engage students in STEM learning activities through play. Each project has opened the door to more engagement in the classroom with self-led learning and discovery!

## Spring Fling

May 25 – the School held their annual "Spring Fling" festivities that included bounce houses, face painting, a photo booth, a DJ and delicious snacks throughout the day. Fun was had by all!



# Pump N Run

As we celebrate another successful Pump N Run event, we would like to thank everyone for their support of the event and extend our congratulations to the participants.

We would like to recognize the overall winners in the men's division, Jim Patton, and women's division, Susan Work, for their dedication and effort.

Thank you all for a great event. We look forward to seeing you again next year!



# Secondary Graduation

May 31 – the Fairhaven School Graduation Ceremony honored four graduates: Johnathon DeVitto, Kyle Miller, Brandon Scarberry-Haynes and Jamie Zuhosky. Brandon Scarberry-Haynes was awarded the “Eric Allen Award” for Achievement, awarded to a graduate who maintains a positive attitude, has overcome significant challenges and has progressed further than the expectations. We wish all our graduates the best of luck in their future



# Preschool Graduation

May 30 – the Fairhaven Preschool program held their graduation ceremony celebrating the advancement of 53 preschoolers to Kindergarten. Congratulations to the Graduates and their families!



# Ivanchak Swim Competition

May 9 – the 47th Annual Tami Ivanchak Memorial Swim Competition involved four of our Fairhaven Preschool students. They competed by diving for rings, performing an underwater swim through hoops, gliding and freestyle swimming as well as deep water entry. This year's participants were Collin Keller, Jonathan Meyer, Daniel Moore and Aleia Tomasik. The 2018 winner was Daniel Moore! Our judges for the competition were Warren's Mayor Doug Franklin, Judge Terry Ivanchak and retired Fairhaven teacher, Kathy Murphy.



# Track Meet

On May 12, 300 athletes from six counties and nine different teams recently participated in the 9th Annual Track Meet hosted by our Special Olympics Program. The event proved to be a great success, with around 200 spectators in attendance.

We would like to thank the 250 volunteers from Girard High School and the community for making this event so great.

Congratulations to all of the athletes who participated in the track meet for their amazing showing!





## Fashion Show

The first show was held four years ago. Twelve individuals with disabilities and models from the community walked the runway. This year there were 100 models with disabilities ranging in age from 3 – 73 along with community models. The models were from different agencies serving individuals in Ashtabula, Mahoning, Portage, Stark and Trumbull counties.

The fashion show continues to be one of our most rewarding opportunities for those involved because it allows their personalities to shine through, helps build confidence and makes individuals feel special by being in the spotlight.

Proceeds raised benefitted Fairhaven Foundation, Leeda Northeast's Trip Ahoy Foundation and Siffrin's HOPE Fund. These non-profits provide funding for individuals with disabilities in emergencies, with quality of life issues, and other needs to improve their lives.

Michelle from The Encore Shop and the Fashion Show committee extends sincere thanks to all the models, volunteers, donors, and supporters who helped make this event a true celebration of abilities!



## Ohio Arts Council

The Ohio Arts Council grant recipients had their last official meeting of the grant session. During the meeting, the recipients were awarded Certificates of Completion along with a sentiment expressing how they have grown along their journey referred to as the "Acorn." In appreciation of the Council's work, there will be an exhibit opening in late August at the Trumbull Art Gallery.



## Rick Cesta-Golden Palette Award Winner

Rick Cesta, Service and Support Administrator (SSA) for TCBDD, was presented with the "Golden Palette" Award in appreciation for sharing his time and talents with those who are looking to express themselves artistically. The series, "Painting with Rick," raised money to match the maximum amount of the Ohio Arts Council grant.

## Birthday Card Contest Winners

Fairhaven Foundation recently held the 17th annual Birthday Card Contest. The winners were Amanda Brozman for best picture and Melissa Baker for best verse, both of whom were presented medals and a \$25 Walmart gift card. Everyone eligible for TCBDD services receives a card for their birthday. This project is funded by The Fairhaven Golf Committee.



*It's your birthday  
so let's celebrate  
your special day.*

*Happy Birthday* 

*Fairhaven Foundation  
and Friends*

