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providing help,
offering hope and
restoring health
to those in need*



SISTERS of CHARITY HEALTH SYSTEM

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Our Mission Knows No Boundaries

A MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL

President & CEO, Sisters of Charity Health System



One of the greatest joys of our mission is seeing how the work of the Sisters of Charity Health System continues to reach far beyond the communities we directly serve. While our ministries are rooted in Cleveland, Canton and South Carolina, the impact of our work is increasingly being shared across the country, and even around the world.

This month, that reach extended to Ireland, where leaders from the Sisters of Charity Health System and the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine joined partners in honoring the life and legacy of Sr. Ignatia Gavin, CSA. Sharing her story and the continued work of the Sr. Ignatia Gavin, CSA, Center for Addiction Medicine with international audiences was a powerful reminder that compassionate care, innovation and healing know no borders. It reinforced what the Sisters have modeled for 175 years—that “in all things, charity” has the power to create a ripple effect far beyond what we can see.

Closer to home, we’re also seeing that ripple effect through increased visibility in our own communities. Our ministries continue to be recognized as trusted voices and leaders, with recent television and media features highlighting the impactful work of the Early Childhood Resource Center and the South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families, helping bring their missions to even more families in need.

In this month’s newsletter, you’ll find:

- **People of Hope** traveling museum brings stories of faith, hope and service to the St. Vincent Charity Health & Healing Hub and Joseph & Mary’s Home.
- **City Club of Cleveland forum** celebrating the 175-year legacy of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine and the Ursuline Sisters.
- **Pathways to Purpose** reaches nearly 600 youth through summer programming in Cleveland’s Central neighborhood.
- **Ministry updates** from Joseph & Mary’s Home, Light of Hearts Villa, Regina Health Center and the Early Childhood Resource Center, which continues to expand fatherhood services.
- **South Carolina** highlights, including Systems Change Grants from the Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina and leadership updates across the ministry network.

Thank you for helping extend this mission every day. Together, we continue to demonstrate that acts of charity, compassion and service have the power to transform lives—not only in our own communities, but wherever hope is needed.

Warmly,

Michael

◆ **SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE 175TH ANNIVERSARY: City Club of Cleveland Hosts CSA and Ursuline Sisters Leaders for Forum on Legacy of Women Religious** — For 175 years, the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine and the Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland have served Northeast Ohio through education and health care, founding and stewarding institutions that have helped shape Greater Cleveland. On July 16, The City Club of Cleveland hosted leaders from both orders, including **Sr. Judith Ann Karam, CSA**, and **Sr. Marian Durkin, CSA**, in exploring the enduring legacy of women religious in Greater Cleveland. Both the Health System and Light of Hearts Villa sponsored tables at the event to support this important conversation and to join community members in reflecting on the service, sacrifice and vision that continue to inspire work across all ministries today. Watch a video of the entire forum by [clicking here](#).



Sr. Marian Durkin, CSA, and Sr. Judith Ann Karam, CSA, on stage at the forum (seated, fourth and fifth from left)



Health System table at the forum (left); Lights of Hearts Villa table (right)

Pilgrimage to Ireland Honors Sr. Ignatia Gavin, CSA, and Her Homeland —

Sr. Ignatia Gavin, CSA, was a pioneer in addiction medicine in the 1930s. She played a formative role in the early development of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and later founding Rosary Hall. A group of 12 from Cleveland and beyond traveled to County Mayo, Ireland, to honor her life and work by accepting the Diaspora of Achievement Award from officials in County Mayo, Ireland, and to give two presentations on the Sr. Ignatia Gavin, CSA, Center for Addiction Medicine.

The group included: **Sr. Judith Ann Karam, CSA**, congregational leader, Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, **Sr. Catherine Walsh, CSA** (born in County Mayo, Ireland), **Marissa Ortosky Dorantes**, archivist for the CSAs, **Dr. Ted Parran**, addiction medicine doctor and Rosary Hall co-medical director, his wife **Laura Parran**, **Michael Goar**, president & CEO Sisters of Charity Health System, **Mark Coteleur**, Health System VP fund development, **Tria O'Maile**, friend to the CSAs, and **Colleen Corrigan Day**, senior director of major gifts. Also choosing to go on the trip were **Marian Rubin**, president, Catholic Community Connection and her husband, **Marc Rubin**.

The first presentation at the National Museum of Ireland in Castlebar, County Mayo, was standing room only with attendees coming from Dublin, Australia and the United States with many people from the addiction and recovery community as well. The second presentation was

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Dr. Ted Parran, Michael Goar, Colleen Corrigan Day, Kevin Kelly, Sr. Judith Ann Karam, CSA, Sr. Catherine Walsh, CSA, Sean Carey, Martina Hughes, communications director, County Mayo, Mags Connell, diaspora director, Mayo County Council



Standing-room-only audience at the presentation at the National Museum of Ireland

PILGRIMAGE *continued*

on Achill Island (an Island twinned with the City of Cleveland and County Mayo is twinned with Cuyahoga County). It brought Clevelanders who were visiting Ireland as well as a 94-year-old woman who was 50 years sober. “Overall, the trip was a success and creates an even deeper connection with Sr. Ignatia and Ireland and the world,” said **Colleen Corrigan Day**.



Local Mayo resident Michael Larkin presented Sr. Judith Ann Karam, CSA, Sr. Catherine Walsh, CSA, and Marissa Ortosky Dorantes, archivist for the CSAs, the birth certificate of Sr. Ignatia Gavin and some historical documents about her



Visiting Sr. Ignatia's birthplace in Shanvalley, County Mayo



SHARE YOUR MEMORIES What's your connection to CSA? The Sisters invite you to share your memories and experiences by participating in the 175th anniversary story project. Visit srsfcharity.org/story to learn more and to submit your story.

Cleveland News

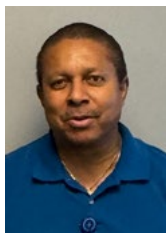
HEALTH SYSTEM

◆ SCHS MISSION & MINISTRY: New Employees in Ohio Attend Mission Orientation —

In late June, Mission & Ministry in collaboration with Health System Human Resources hosted a mission orientation for several new employees and board members of the Health System and ministries in Canton and Cleveland at Mt. Augustine in Richfield, Ohio. The orientation introduced participants to the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine's rich heritage, explored the significance of serving within a Catholic organization and reflected on the shared vocation to be compassionate agents of healing and hope. The session concluded with a missioning prayer, sending participants forth renewed in purpose and commitment to carrying our mission into their daily work and service, followed by a luncheon. Mission orientations are open to all employees and board members, especially those who are new to the organization and have not attended a previous mission orientation.



(from left) Kate Mach (Light of Hearts Villa), Candace Tell (ECRC), Savanna Bishop (ECRC), Lindsey Hosking (ECRC), Sr. Kathy Andrews, CSA, Anna Stormer (Joseph & Mary's Home), Grace Salvino (Catholic Community Connection), Miguel Chavez (SCHS), Hossana Olaomotito (Catholic Community Connection), Tom Moore (ECRC), John Parente (Catholic Community Connection)



Michael Gray

Thank You Michael Gray for 37+ Years — Congratulations to Health System Information Technology Network Analyst **Michael Gray** on your August 7 retirement date! Michael has been with the Health System for more than 37 years, going all the way back to high school when he worked at St. Vincent Charity Hospital for a year. He went off to college, served in the military and came back to St. Vincent Charity for a few more years. He took another job and then came back to work at the Health System in 1989. Thank you Michael for your decades of dedicated service!

HEALTH SYSTEM *continued*Andratesha
Fritzgerald

Dig Below the Surface Lunch and Learn Series — Members of the Health System gathered virtually this summer for a presentation titled, “Designing Powerful Community Partnerships as Pathways to Belonging and Wellness,” led by acclaimed author and international speaker **Andratesha Fritzgerald**. Drawing on her expertise in education, community engagement and inclusive leadership, Andratesha invited participants to explore how intentional partnerships can foster belonging, strengthen relationships, and promote individual and community wellness. Her presentation encouraged participants to look beyond surface-level connections and consider how authentic collaboration, shared responsibility and a commitment to inclusion can create more compassionate connected, and thriving communities. To see Andratesha’s inspiring Dig Below the Surface presentation, [click here](#).



Sisters from the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, Health System employees, Catholic Charities employees and other supporters at an opening ceremony

◆ **ST. VINCENT CHARITY HEALTH & HEALING HUB: Traveling Museum Visits the Hub and Joseph & Mary’s Home to Share Faith-Filled Stories** — Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland, in collaboration with the St. Vincent Charity Health & Healing Hub and the Women Religious Archives Collaborative (WRAC), hosted People of Hope: Faith-filled Stories of Neighbors Helping Neighbors July 8-9. The nationally touring museum is an immersive storytelling experience presented by Catholic Charities USA. This two-and-a-half-year project celebrates the power of Christian service and its transformative impact on both giver and receiver. Hundreds of people took advantage of the free museum, which was located on the grounds of Joseph & Mary’s Home. **Sister Susan Durkin, OSU**, executive director of WRAC, welcomed guests to the museum at an opening ceremony on July 8. Other speakers included **Bob Varley**, chair, Sisters of Charity Health System Board of Directors, **Anna Stormer**, Joseph & Mary’s Home executive director, and **Chris Larson**, president & CEO, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland.

CLEVELAND MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS

◆ **CLEVELAND CENTRAL PROMISE NEIGHBORHOOD— Pathways to Purpose Summer Experience Update** — The first three weeks of the Pathways to Purpose Summer Experience marked a successful launch of programming across the Central neighborhood in Cleveland, demonstrating strong community engagement, family participation and youth engagement. Through strategic recruitment efforts and partnerships, the initiative recruited a total of 599 youth for summer programming. It officially launched June 15, operating Monday through Thursday across multiple community locations. The initiative, which was part of community outreach celebrating the 175th anniversary, expanded access to high-quality career exploration, workforce development, mentoring and enrichment opportunities that empower young people to discover their purpose, build essential life skills and prepare for future success.



Visitors enjoying the People of Hope displays



Joseph & Mary’s Home Executive Director Anna Stormer spoke at the opening ceremony

photos provided by Catholic Charities



◆ **JOSEPH & MARY'S HOME: Summer Edition of *The Journey* Newsletter Now Available** — The Summer 2026 edition of *The Journey*, Joseph & Mary's Home's biannual newsletter, made its way to mailboxes in early July. It is also now available online. Top stories include a feature on resident alumni **Harry**, whose time at Joseph's Home reminded him to slow down and remember that God is with him always; the 2025 Overview of Care, offering a glimpse at who was served this year; a staff spotlight on Certified Community Health Worker **Tearra Smith**; an inside look at the new Joseph's Home space, which officially opened to residents in January; the 2025 Donor Honor Roll; and many more news briefs and notes. [Read the full newsletter here.](#)

Ohio Department of Development Monitoring Visit Leads to Passing Status — In June, Joseph & Mary's Home received fantastic news: successfully passing its Ohio Department of Development monitoring visit. Required due to grant funding awarded, this was wonderful news to learn. Kudos to Executive Director **Anna Stormer**, who, along with her team, coordinated this visit just three months after her arrival to Joseph & Mary's Home.

Men's Care Closet Seeking Clothing Donations — The men's care closet is running low on clothing items such as soft shorts, sweatpants, t-shirts, new socks, underwear, undershirts and jeans. If you have any of these items — gently worn, with no stains, rips, or holes — they would be greatly appreciated to restock the care closet. If you have a donation, please email info@jmhome.org to coordinate a drop-off time.

MEN'S CLOTHING Donations Accepted!



◆ **LIGHT OF HEARTS VILLA: Community Gathers to Explore the Future of Vincentian Pathways** — More than 25 community members recently came to a Vincentian Pathways information session and grounds walk, where they learned about the rich history of the former Vincentian Sisters of Charity property and the vision for its future as a place of reflection, restoration and community connection. The evening sparked meaningful conversation and enthusiasm as guests explored opportunities to preserve the legacy of these historic grounds while creating new opportunities for future generations to enjoy and benefit from the space. Bedford Ward 3 Councilman **Frank Spiker** joined attendees to learn more about the initiative and its potential impact on the broader community.

Momentum surrounding Vincentian Pathways continues to grow as supporters work together to restore the former gardens, walking paths and contemplative spaces once enjoyed by the Vincentian Sisters of Charity and generations of Lumen Cordium students. To learn more about the project and its vision, click on the link to read the recent article from the [Catholic Diocese of Cleveland.](#)



LIGHT OF HEARTS VILLA *continued*

Light of Hearts Villa Recognized with Bedford Beauty Award — The Bedford Garden Club recently recognized Light of Hearts Villa with a Bedford Beauty sign in recognition of efforts to help make the community a more beautiful place. The designation celebrates the care and attention given to the grounds, gardens and outdoor spaces, which contribute to the beauty and vibrancy of the Bedford community. Light of Hearts Villa is honored to play a small part in making Bedford a welcoming and attractive place to live, work and visit.



Celebrating America's 250th Birthday at the Villa — Residents at Light of Hearts Villa enjoyed a festive Independence Day celebration filled with delicious food, patriotic activities and time together in honor of our nation's 250th birthday. The holiday spirit was on full display throughout the community, with residents taking part in a variety of red, white and blue festivities while enjoying a special holiday menu. Adding to the celebration, the Villa's exterior lighting proudly illuminated the campus in patriotic colors, serving as a tribute to this historic milestone and a visible reminder of the community's pride and celebration.



Bob Rivera

◆ **REGINA HEALTH CENTER: Congratulations to Regina Health Center July Employee of the Month — Bob Rivera.**

Bob has been a member of the team of transportation drivers for the past nine years, but has been an instrumental part of the Regina Health Center team since 2000. That's when he and his wife Sharon began volunteering. "I love coming to Regina for the people. There are a lot of good people here," Bob said.

New Gardener Continues Tradition and Beauty of Gardens —

Regina Health Center recently welcomed its newest gardener, **Patty Conklin**. Patty fills some very big shoes, as long-time Summit County Master Gardener, **Karen Thomas**, steps back from the position. Patty started her ministry at Regina Health Center 10 years ago as a volunteer Eucharistic minister and just recently retired from being an activities assistant. Patty has been a gardener since childhood and most recently was a volunteer in the Strongsville Community Garden.



Volunteer gardener Patty Conklin

UPCOMING EVENTS: REGINA HEALTH CENTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20 | Holy-In-One Golf Outing and Luncheon Presented by Absolute Pharmacy and Absolute Rehabilitation – The 27th Annual Holy-In-One is just a few weeks away! Presented this year by Absolute Pharmacy and Absolute Rehabilitation, you can support Holy-In-One from home by visiting www.holyinone.com to:



- **Bid on the Silent Auction** – Opening online Monday, August 17, you'll have until 3 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, to bid on your favorite items. Those include Ohio State football tickets, Notre Dame football tickets, exclusive bourbons, a week's stay in Riviera Maya and so much more!
- **Contribute to Fund-A-Need** – The 2026 Fund-A-Need is focused on The Regina Promise: No resident's ability to live at Regina Health Center is ever dependent on dollars. Your contribution will help bridge the Medicaid reimbursement gap.
- **Participate in the Four Raffles** – Tickets can be purchased online for the opportunity to win four great prizes: a trip to Pebble Beach; a getaway to the Greenbrier Resort; golf for four on Firestone's South Course; and the 19th hole rolling bar cart. Raffle winners do not need to be present at Holy-In-One to win.

Questions? Please contact **Mackenzie Phelps** at mphelps@sistersofcharityhealth.org or 216.875.4639.

CLEVELAND COLLABORATORS:



Chris Larson

◆ **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CONNECTION (CCC): Chris Larson Joins Executive Board of Directors** — Christopher Larson, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland, president & CEO, recently joined the CCC Executive Board of Directors. As CEO, he is committed to strengthening the organization's Catholic identity, investing in its people, and expanding its impact across Northeast Ohio. Guided by faith and service, he is focused on helping individuals, families and communities access the support and opportunities they need to thrive. Faith and family are at the center of his life and leadership. Raised in a Catholic home, Chris credits his Catholic faith as the animating force behind both his personal and professional journey. Chris brings more than 35 years of executive leadership experience in mission-driven organizations, including national, regional and local leadership roles at El Barrio, Inc. Throughout his career, he has led organizational growth, developed high-performing teams, community partnerships, secured significant funding investments, and guided organizations through periods of formation.



Canton News

◆ **SISTERS OF CHARITY FOUNDATION OF CANTON: Continuing to Celebrate 30 Years through Service** – The Foundation continues to honor its 30th anniversary milestone by volunteering and giving back in a way that reflects both the mission and the legacy of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine. In July, Foundation staff, along with board members **Sherice Freeman** and **David Kaminski**, participated in the fourth of 10 volunteer events scheduled to celebrate the 30th anniversary. The group packed backpacks with back-to-school supplies for the Stark Community Support Network’s open house providing 200 children with free backpacks to help families prepare for a successful school year. Since 1997, the organization has helped low-income individuals

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and families access health care, food, housing and other essential services. Stark Community Support Network is an important resource for those who might not have other support, helping families meet basic needs and connecting them to mental health care during crises. They also work to support pregnant women and families with infants by addressing social factors that affect health, plus offering a food pantry, clothing closet and a Narcan distribution box.



(left to right) Emmy Hull, Shannon McMahon Williams, Marisa Rohn, Sherice Freeman (board member), David Kaminski (board member), Anne Savastano, Robyn Steinmetz

CANTON MINISTRY NEWS



ECRC Parent Engagement Coordinator Jamahl Id-Deen with Ann Ream, department director of community relations at Summit County Children Services



ECRC Fatherhood Project Manager Randy Jellison on the Sound of Ideas news program

♦ **EARLY CHILDHOOD RESOURCE CENTER (ECRC): Fatherhood Services Gain**

Momentum Across Northeast Ohio — ECRC's commitment to strengthening families by supporting fathers continues to gain momentum, with recent media coverage and new funding shining a spotlight on the impact of its fatherhood services throughout the region. Last month, WOIO Channel 19 News highlighted a new partnership between the ECRC and Summit County Children Services that places ECRC Parent Engagement Coordinator **Jamahl Id-Deen** on-site at the agency to connect fathers with resources, encouragement and practical support. By meeting fathers where they are, the partnership helps strengthen parent-child relationships while working toward safer, more stable outcomes for children and families. *The Plain Dealer* also ran a story about this partnership. To learn more, check out the [Channel 19 news story](#), [The Plain Dealer](#) article or visit ECRC's [webpage](#).

The spotlight on fatherhood continued on Ideastream Public Media's Sound of Ideas, where ECRC Fatherhood Project Manager **Randy Jellison** joined a panel discussion exploring the challenges many fathers face in maintaining relationships with their children and the importance of father engagement in building strong families and communities. Watch the full program by [clicking here](#). And the momentum doesn't stop there. Thanks to new funding from the Ohio Department of Children and Youth, ECRC will be expanding its fatherhood services into Portage County, extending support to even more fathers and families. These efforts will be led by **George Beatty**, who recently stepped into the role of fatherhood project manager for Portage County.

These recent milestones reflect the continued growth of the ECRC's fatherhood initiatives and the increasing recognition that engaged fathers make a lasting difference in the lives of children. Through programs like 24/7 Dad®, InsideOut Dad® and Iron Clad Dads, ECRC remains committed to equipping fathers with the tools, confidence and support they need to build stronger families and brighter futures.

SPARK Program Graduation Celebrates Kindergarten Readiness — Families, children and staff recently gathered at the Akron office to celebrate an important milestone for 51 Summit County children who completed the SPARK program and are now ready to take their next step into kindergarten. The graduation ceremony recognized not only the children's achievements but also the commitment of the families who supported them along the way. SPARK stands for Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids, and the program's unique home-visiting model



EARLY CHILDHOOD RESOURCE CENTER *continued*

helps empower parents and caregivers as their child's first and most important teacher. Throughout the program, ECRC SPARK Parent Partners work alongside parents to build early learning skills in children, while also equipping families with the tools and confidence to support learning long after each monthly visit ends.

The 51 Summit County SPARK graduates join 186 Stark County SPARK program grads in reaching this exciting achievement. Among this year's graduates was **Brynnlee**, whose journey reflects the kind of growth SPARK is designed to support. When Brynnlee first began the program, she was often shy and hesitant. She moved quickly from one activity to another and struggled to feel confident in her abilities. With consistent encouragement from her SPARK Parent Partner, **Samantha Taylor**, and the steady support of her parents, she began to build both focus and self-assurance. Over time, that growth became clear. Today, Brynnlee eagerly participates in activities, completes tasks with pride, and expresses her creativity through drawing and coloring. She has also made tremendous social and emotional gains, approaching new experiences with confidence and excitement as she prepares to enter kindergarten. Her story is just one example of the lasting impact SPARK has on children and families across the region. Every graduate represents a family that invested time, encouragement, and love to help their child build a strong foundation for lifelong learning. Congratulations to all 237 SPARK graduates and their families on this major milestone. To learn more about the SPARK program, visit sparkohio.org.



SPARK graduate Brynnlee



SPARK graduate Brynnlee

UPCOMING EVENTS: EARLY CHILDHOOD RESOURCE CENTER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | [Make a difference at ECRC's Ready, Set, Swing Golf Outing](#) —

Whether you're planning to hit the links or cheer us on from afar, there are plenty of ways to support ECRC's Ready, Set, Swing Charity Golf Outing on Friday, September 18, at Arrowhead Golf Club in North Canton.

Every swing, silent auction bid and raffle ticket purchased helps drive meaningful change and builds brighter futures for local children, families and early childhood educators. Can't make it to the course? You can still play a part by:

- Spreading the word and recruiting a golfer or foursome
- Entering the “par-tee” bar cart raffle
- Bidding on exclusive silent auction packages (auction opens September 14)
- Donating to support families across the region.



Golf registration includes a light breakfast, 18 holes with cart and snack, lunch, and much more. Lunch-only tickets are also available for non-golfers. Ready to get in the game? Spots are limited, so learn more and register now at onecau.se/ecrcgolf.

South Carolina News

◆ **SISTERS OF CHARITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA: \$400,000 in Systems Change Grants Awarded** — The Foundation recently awarded \$400,000 in Systems Change Grants to organizations working to dismantle the root causes of poverty in the state. This funding will support initiatives that remove systemic barriers to financial stability and secure housing, helping individuals and families thrive. The five Systems Change Grant recipients are:

- **Able South Carolina:** Funded for The Palmetto Prosperity Project: Reforming Waivers for Economic Autonomy
- **Affordable Housing Coalition of South Carolina:** Funded for general operating support
- **Catawba Area Coalition for The Homeless:** Funded for general operating support

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- **South Carolina Tenant Union:** Funded for general operating support
- **Steelworkers Charitable and Educational Organization:** Funded for general operating support of the Chester Worker Empowerment Center

“The work of these five organizations is rooted in community, centered around meaningful partnerships and driven by a vision to truly change systems,” said **Donna Waites**, president of the Foundation. “I couldn’t be more honored to partner with them in this work.”

This marks the inaugural year for the Foundation’s Systems Change Grants, which provide up to \$100,000 to support advocacy and lobbying; address systemic power imbalances; affirm the dignity of people experiencing poverty; and implement big impact, scalable, and innovative solutions that address economic mobility and housing security. Part of the Foundation’s three-year strategic plan launched in January 2026, these grants support statewide, regional or local efforts across all 46 South Carolina counties. In tandem with these awards, the Foundation has awarded eight Community Engagement Grants totaling \$12,000. These grants support events, trainings and workshops that directly engage communities experiencing poverty.

SC MINISTRY NEWS

◆ **SOUTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR FATHERS AND FAMILIES (SCCFF): Karriem Edwards Celebrates Fourth Year as President** — **Karriem Edwards** celebrated his fourth year as president of SCCFF on July 5. Under his leadership, SCCFF has grown stronger, its partnerships deeper and its mission sharper. This year, Karriem was named the 2026 Joyce Gillespie Ford Black Nonprofit Leader of the Year by Together SC’s Black Nonprofit Leaders Group, in recognition of his strategic vision and dedication to families across the state. From the staff: “Karriem, thank you for believing in the potential of every father. We’re grateful for your leadership and vision, and we’re excited for our future, and the future of fathers and families throughout South Carolina!”

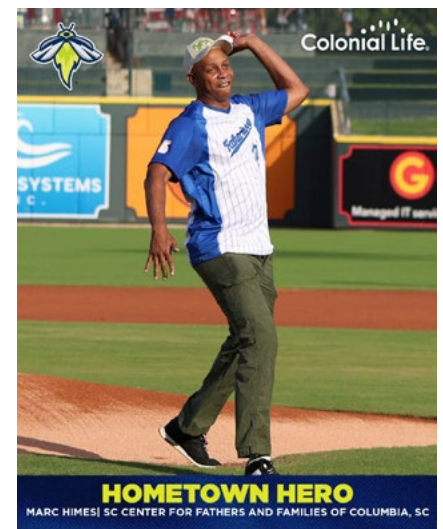


Fraendy Clervaud, Dr. Lawrence Ford and Woodrow Evans

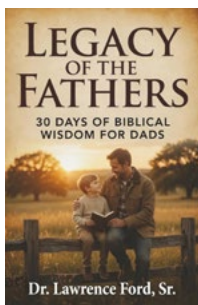
SCCFF Representatives Appear on WACH FOX 57 — Just before Father’s Day, SCCFF Board Member **Fraendy Clervaud**, host of Good Day Columbia on WACH FOX 57, invited SCCFF Director of Marketing and Communications **Dr. Lawrence Ford** and **Woodrow Evans**, one of the dads participating in the Midlands fatherhood program, to the studio to discuss how SCCFF works with fathers around the state to change lives and strengthen communities.

Director of Community Engagement Honored as a Hometown Hero — The Columbia Fireflies minor league baseball team honored **Marc Himes**, director of community engagement, as a Hometown Hero. He was celebrated at the game on July 10, where he threw out the

ceremonial first pitch and received five seats behind home plate for himself and his family, along with complimentary swag and concessions from the team. Colonial Life, a major contributor to SCCFF, sponsored the event. Congratulations Marc!



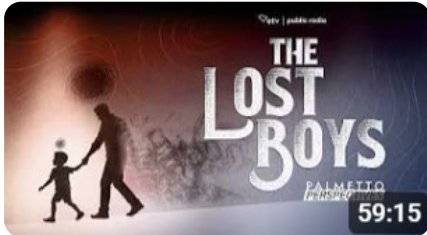
Marc Himes



Director of Marketing and Communications Publishes Devotional Book for Dads — **Dr. Lawrence Ford**, SCCFF director of marketing and communications, recently published a devotional book for dads titled *Legacy of the Fathers: 30 Days of Biblical Wisdom for Dads* that helps fathers of any age learn scriptural principles from fathers in the Old and New Testaments. Learn more about the book and purchase it by [clicking here](#).

SOUTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR FATHERS AND FAMILIES *continued*

SCCFF Team Members to Receive Advanced Training — Marc Himes and Andrew Coston, director of quality assurance & evaluations, have been selected by Korn Ferry Leadership University for its Professional Development certificate program. Dr. Lawrence Ford received admission to Johns Hopkins University's certificate program in AI Business Strategy through the JHU Whiting School of Engineering.



SCCFF Featured in Documentary Premiere — SC ETV featured SCCFF in its premiere of “The Lost Boys.” This documentary explores how changing cultural expectations around masculinity, leadership, vulnerability and emotional expression impact men’s mental health and well-being. The episode, featuring **Marc Himes** and other experts in the field, highlights the pressures men face to conform to traditional roles while remaining emotionally open. With men nearly four times more likely to die by suicide than women, open conversations about mental health are crucial. [Watch here.](#)

◆ HEALTHY LEARNERS: UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 11 & 12 | Nashville Songwriters in the Round

Join Healthy Learners for one of two unique and intimate evenings of music at the Nashville Songwriters in the Round, a special fundraiser dedicated to supporting students with healthcare needs in poverty across the community. This event showcases four acclaimed Nashville singer-songwriters renowned for their songwriting talents and contributions to chart-topping hits. For more information, visit: healthylearners.com/events/songwriterintheround

Mark your calendars for one of our two spectacular venues:

- **Nashville Songwriters in the Round — Columbia, Friday, September 11**
The Laundry at Bull Street, Columbia, SC – 6-9:30 p.m.
- **Nashville Songwriters in the Round — Georgetown, Saturday, September 12**
Kaminski House Museum, Georgetown, SC – 6-9:30 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Ministry Upcoming Summer & Fall Events

AUGUST

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

The Glick Recovery Campus Ribbon Cutting (Rosary Hall Withdrawal Management Services slated to open in early 2027)

11 a.m.–noon

Visit: thecentersohio.org to register for the event.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

Regina Health Center: Holy-In-One Golf Outing

Firestone Country Club, Akron

8:30 a.m. golf; 2 p.m. celebration luncheon

Want to attend? Email Mackenzie Phelps:

mphelps@Sistersofcharityhealth.org

For more information or to sign up for the raffle, visit: holyinone.com

SEPTEMBER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Healthy Learners: Nashville Songwriters in the Round—Columbia

The Laundry at Bull Street, Columbia, SC

6–9:30 p.m.

For more information, visit: healthylearners.com/events/songwriterintheround

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Healthy Learners: Nashville Songwriters in the Round—Georgetown

Kaminski House Museum, Georgetown, SC

6–9:30 p.m.

For more information, visit: healthylearners.com/events/songwriterintheround

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Early Childhood Resource Center: Ready, Set, Swing!

Charity Golf Outing

Arrowhead Golf Club, N. Canton

9 a.m. shotgun start; 1:30 p.m. luncheon and program

Includes silent auction and special raffles, open to non-golfers

For details or to purchase tickets/view auction items visit: onecau.se/ecrcgolf

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Healthy Learners: Adult Spelling Bee in memory of George Nolan

Greenwood, SC

For more information, visit: healthylearners.com/events/spelling-bee/register-your-team

OCTOBER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine: Archive Open House

Regina Health Center Heritage and Gathering Rooms

1–4 p.m.

Registration to attend is needed: <https://forms.gle/QPF1NRm4SyQMfnxj7>

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Light of Hearts Villa: Community Trick-or-Treat

4–5:30 p.m.

The Villa's annual Trick-or-Treat event featuring a balloon twister, face painter, festive food displays and door-to-door trick-or-treating. Residents, families and neighborhood children are invited to enjoy this fun annual tradition together!

NOVEMBER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Joseph & Mary's Home: Perseverance in Hope Luncheon

Windows on the River, Cleveland

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Registration for the luncheon is open: jmhome.org/events

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Light of Hearts Villa: Lumen Cordium Alumnae Mass of Remembrance

6 p.m. (Doors open at 5 p.m.; optional tour at 5:15 p.m.)

Former Lumen Cordium students and families are invited to join us for a special Mass of Remembrance honoring classmates and teachers who have passed away, followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments.



Like us! Love us! Follow us!

Through the Sisters of Charity Health System, news about successes, events, amazing employees and the people we uplift is shared on social media. When you're scrolling through your feeds, be sure to find and engage with our posts. Every "like," "love" and "follow" helps amplify our message and extend our reach. Below is a list of "handles" (usernames) and links associated with many of our social media platforms.

CSA Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine

Facebook: @srsofcharity
Instagram: @srsofcharity

Sisters of Charity Health System:

Facebook: @SistersOfCharityHealth
Instagram: @sochealthsystem
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/sisters-of-charity-health-system
Twitter/X: @SOCHHealthSystem

**St. Vincent Charity Health & Healing Hub
and Northeast Ohio Ministries and Programs:****Cleveland Central Promise Neighborhood**

Facebook: @ClevelandPromiseNeighborhood
Instagram: @clecentralpromise
Twitter/X: @CLE_Promise
YouTube: socfcleveland-clevelandcen9249

Early Childhood Resource Center

Facebook: @EarlyChildhoodResourceCenter
Instagram: @earlychildhoodresourcecenter
Twitter/X: @ECResCenter
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/early-childhood-resource-ctr

Joseph's Home / Joseph & Mary's Home

Facebook: @jmhome.org
Instagram: @jmhomecle
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/jmhome
YouTube: josephshome8286

Light of Hearts Villa

Facebook: @lightofheartsvilla
Instagram: @lightofheartsvilla
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/lightofheartsvilla
YouTube: lightofheartsvilla1319

Regina Health Center

Facebook: @reginahealthcenter
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/reginahealthcenter
YouTube: reginahealthcenter4885

Rosary Hall & Mental Health Services

Facebook: @StVincentCharityRosaryHall

**St. Vincent Charity Health & Healing Hub
(formerly St. Vincent Charity Medical Center)**

Facebook: @StVincentCharity
Instagram: @stvincentcharity
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/st-vincent-charity
Twitter/X: @StVCharity
YouTube: CLEStVincentCharity

Sisters of Charity Foundation of Canton

LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/sisters-of-charity-foundation-of-canton1
YouTube: sistersofcharitycanton

Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland

Facebook: @SOCFCleveland
Instagram: @SOCF_cleveland
Twitter/X: @SOCFCleveland

Catholic Community Connection

Facebook: @CatholicCommunityConnection
Twitter/X: @CatholiCommConn

South Carolina:**Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina**

Facebook: @SCFSC
Instagram: @SCFSC
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/sisters-of-charity-foundation-of-south-carolina
Twitter/X: @SCFSC

Healthy Learners

Facebook: @HealthyLearners
Instagram: @healthylearners
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/healthylearners

South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families

Facebook: @SCCFF
Instagram: @scfathersandfamilies
LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/south-carolina-center-for-fathers-and-families
Twitter/X: @scfathers