



## Resident News

### *Creative Living welcomes a new resident!*

This May, we welcomed Rick Dawson, as our newest resident at Creative Living. Rick has inspired Creative Living to “think outside the box”. Rick has ALS or Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. Creative Living is providing Rick a lifesaving environment a little outside our mission or maybe it just fits us fine!

He joins us, along with his support dog Rocco, as a longtime Olde Towne East resident. Originally from Pennsylvania, Rick has spent over 30 years as a master craftsman and carpenter. Rick has an amazing support system, made up of loyal friends and family. Rick loves fishing, golfing, old cars and playing guitar. He’s been a Steelers fan since he was a little boy! He’s active in the local ALS chapter and is passionate about finding a cure for ALS.

Rick is settling in to Apt. B and anxiously awaiting his wheelchair to help with his mobility. Rick and Rocco can be found spending time outside at Creative Living in the sun; we’re convinced Rick has never met a stranger! Welcome Rick! We’re so glad you’re here!



Grant Williams has been a Resident at Creative Living for 5 years. With a BS in Business Administration and Corporate Finance, Grant has been working hard to secure a job in his field.

On March 1st, Grant started working for the City of Columbus as a Management Analyst for the Public Utilities Department to support fiscal spending. Utilizing public transportation and the help of friends, Grant works 40 hours a week and is in the middle of a 3 month contract with the city. Grant is grateful for the warm welcome from his coworkers! As for the future, Grant hopes that his position becomes permanent June 1st!

### The William M. and Frances Smith Junk Endowed Fund

Huge congrats to resident Zac Zies! He has been awarded the William M. and Frances Smith Junk Fund by the Ohio State University. This fund was established to support physically disabled students at OSU that reside at Creative Living and is the 46th award that has been given since 1982!

Currently Zac is in the Fisher College of Business, working towards a degree in Logistics Management. Zac has demonstrated strong academic ability and perseverance. We’re so proud of you Zac!



# Resident News

We're so proud to announce that Perry Street Resident, Kristin Hehrer, has become a certified Zumba instructor! Here's a message from the "Dancing Queen" herself!

"My journey in this started approximately three years ago, when I couldn't sleep and was up watching infomercials on T.V. One for Zumba came on and it looked like fun, so I checked out a place that had Zumba classes. I asked the owner whether she thought I could do what was required given my disability. She replied, "As long as you have any mobility at all, you can do Zumba".

"I know there are many of you who might think you can't dance. I believe there are dancers inside all of us, begging to be let out. Come join me. Dance your wheels off!"

-Kristin



## Resident Update!

Ammon was a Resident at Creative Living for 3 years. Originally from Texas, he came to Columbus to pursue (and earn!) a Master's Degree from the prestigious Fisher College of Business. In just three short years, he accomplished his goals and landed an amazing position at Cardinal Health.

Ammon is now embarking on his next adventure in life! He has relocated to Texas to pursue a Doctoral program to further his career. Ammon is enjoying spending time with his family and keeping busy taking a class and studying for the GMAT. Good luck Ammon, we'll miss you!

## Volunteer News



The Columbus Women's Club came and prepped our invitations for Bouquet of Flavours! We are so thankful for volunteers!



Thank you to longtime friends of Creative Living, we are so grateful for these amazing women! Each and every resident received an Easter basket!

# Service Board Membership



Watch for your Service Board Sustaining Membership mailing in June. Your membership is very important to the Creative Living residents as it allows us to fund activities for our residents such as the Chili Cook-off, birthday gift cards, welcome baskets for new residents and through the Resident Relief Fund your contributions help with funding items for our residents that their budget cannot afford.

Please consider becoming a member. For your convenience, you can also donate online at [www.creative-living.com](http://www.creative-living.com)

Each new resident receives a welcome basket when they move in, thanks to the Service Board Fund!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

## 4th Annual Creative Living Chili Cook-off!

Pictured here are the proud winners at the 4th annual Creative Living Chili Cook-off! Residents, staff, family and friends come together to eat homemade chili and hang out at Perry Street!

Thank you Marly for all of your hard work putting this event together!



## RA Point of View

Our Resident Assistance Program is the distinctive feature of Creative Living. Each apartment is connected to the lobby by a intercom system. Creative Living Resident Assistants are on-call 24 hours a day. Their primary purpose is to respond to resident needs – whether to remove a jacket, reach a book, help transfer from bed to wheelchair or to handle a full emergency. They are “on call” for all residents, doing dozens of tasks that assure the comfort and safety of residents.

Creative Living RA's are amazing, committed individuals. Many of the Resident Assistants are pursuing health-related careers and view their work at Creative Living as an invaluable opportunity to gain relevant experience in the healthcare field.

Erin appreciates the flexibility that Creative Living has provided during school and the connections she's been able to make with residents. Although she has enjoyed her time at Creative Living, she recently accepted a job in the social work field. Good luck Erin!



Erin Matteo in between calls during one of her shifts at CL II.



*Bouquet of Flavours 2017* was a huge success!  
Thanks to our Hosts, Sponsors and  
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benefit our Resident Assistant Program!



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## Event News!



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Featuring local breweries along with several national craft breweries and quality imports!

\*venue, date and details announced soon!

\*Watch for our VIP ticket opportunity!

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Save the date for Creative Living's Annual Golf Classic!

Monday August 28, 2017  
at the New Albany Golf Club

Creative Living hosts three events each year – a wine-tasting, a golf outing and a craft beer tasting. 100% of the net proceeds go to fund the Resident Assistance Program.

**Have you ever considered being a Host at one of our events? Sign up to Host and invite your friends!**

Learn more about sponsoring an event at [www.creative-living.com](http://www.creative-living.com)

Creative Living's Mission : Creative Living exists as a non-profit organization encouraging independent living for adults with severe physical disabilities by providing wheelchair accessible housing and assistance and by creating a supportive environment for people to learn, work, live and contribute to the community.

# Financial News

Creative Living loves workplace giving programs! Thanks to Joseph Ray and his wife Lucille for their \$1000 donation, Battelle made a 100% match. We love the generosity and two years in a row.

Creative Living puts on some great fundraisers throughout the year to benefit the residents and help fund the Resident Assistance Program. This year at our annual Bouquet of Flavours event, after an impromptu speech from a resident, our auctioneer asked for donations to Creative Living's Resident Assistance Program. He called it "Fund A Need" and Wowza, we were blown away by the generosity from donors!

Thank you to 18 donors who raised \$5,535 to support our programs.



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Brew Review is this fall!  
Keep in touch - more details to be announced soon!

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