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UPCOMING EVENTS!



Celebrate Art, Music, & Fashion

A Night In Monte Carlo



Tickets and online sponsorships are now available for A Night in Monte Carlo: Celebrating Art, Music & Fashion at the Larkfield in East Northport, NY. The event will be hosted on Wednesday, April 18th beginning at 6:30pm. Please [click here](#) to make your purchase today. We look forward to seeing you there!

SAVE THE DATE
29TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC
MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018

HONORING
CORPORATE SYNERGIES
VICTOR P. DEZELIC
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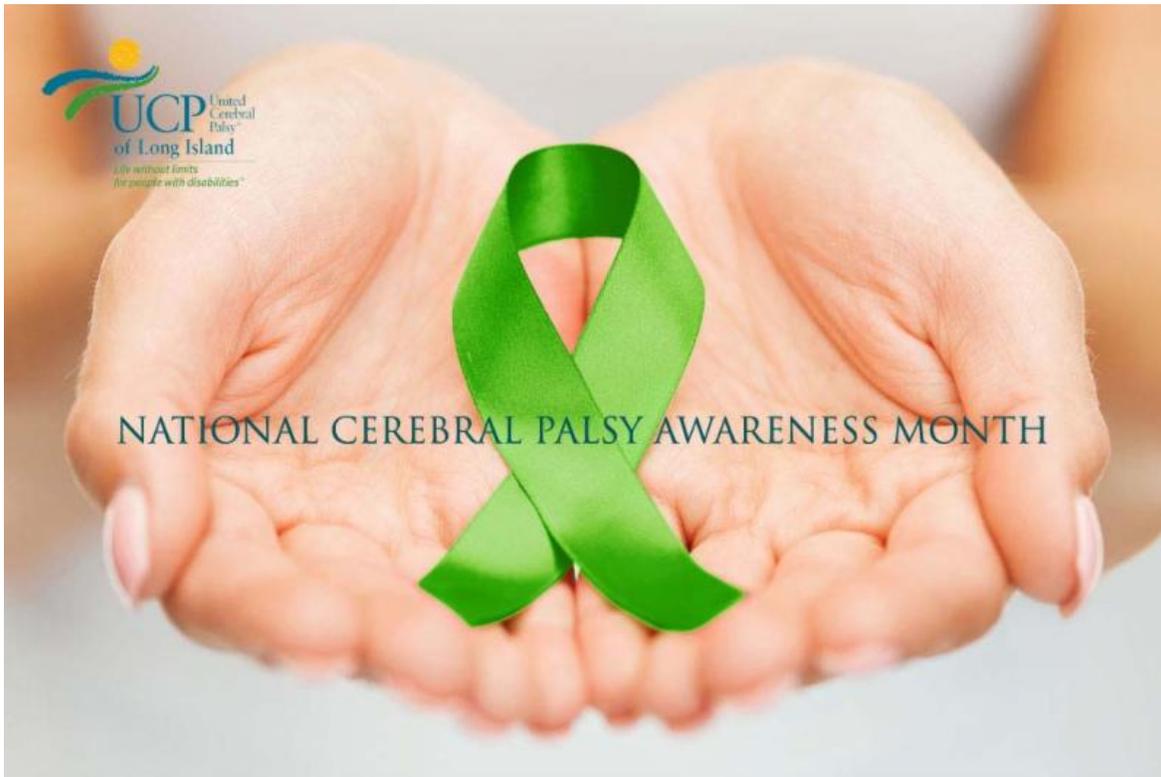


HUNTINGTON
COUNTRY CLUB
HUNTINGTON, NY

NATIONAL CEREBRAL PALSY AWARENESS

MONTH

Cerebral Palsy is the most common physical disability in childhood and is also one of the least understood. UCP of LI currently serves 35% of children and adults diagnosed with cerebral palsy; others served have a variety of physical/ and/or developmental disabilities, such as Autism, Down Syndrome, Traumatic Brain Injury and Epilepsy. Join us by celebrating and spreading awareness! **TOGETHER WE CAN create LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS for our individuals!**



SEE ME, FOR ME!



Would you look at those radiating SMILES on AJ and Ben from the Ukulele Club! It is awareness, acceptance and understanding that provide individuals like AJ and Ben, the opportunity to shine in the classroom!

Thank you for joining us in raising awareness for Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month! This year's theme, "See Me, For Me" encourages people to focus on each individual and getting to know people for who they really are!

A hero is an individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.

-Christopher Reeve



AIMING HIGH!



Michael has made such incredible PROGRESS in the Day Treatment Program! He is learning about sign language, musicianship and music. Michael recently assisted with making banners for the St. Patrick's Day Parade and making props for the "Soul Train Event".



Amanda's art business has been flourishing! With the change of season around the corner, Amanda has set her sights on the budding flowers of spring! The Brushstrokes program has opened so many opportunities for Amanda where she can continue her entrepreneur career in designing cards!

**“Why fit in when you
were born to stand out!”
-Dr. Seuss**



THE INSPIRATION CONTINUES!



Dan is an avid comic art fan. Since he was young, he had always felt inspired by Superman. Throughout his life he has dabbled in painting but it wasn't until recently that he decided to create a form of art work he has always liked. Check out some of his work and how Dan continues to create limitless possibilities.



Meet Margaret! Margaret attends our Day Habilitation Program and recently joined, “The Sensations”. She has made significant progress at UCP of LI and continues to thrive in the program. Margaret enjoys shopping in her community, volunteering at the food pantry and assisting with tasks at Saddle Rock Ranch. We are so proud of Margaret and all of her accomplishments!



MARCH NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

The Day Habilitation Program had the opportunity to celebrate with our friends from Shop Rite of Hauppauge! Annemarie Miller, RDN, of the Janson Family visited the Adult Day Program and provided step-by-step instructions on how to prepare creamy hummus. The 'Dietitian's Dish' was a hit! The individuals had a great time learning how to prepare healthy snacks! We can't wait for the Janson Family to come back with more healthy recipes!

EXPLORING ABILITIES WITH A LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS



Oscar is exploring videography as a career at the Marcus Boulevard Center. "My dream is to help others and explore all my abilities," Oscar said. "UCP of Long Island is helping my dreams come true by helping me



It is so important to tell YOUR story! Take a minute to read Michelle's short story on how she lives a **Life Without Limits**.

"I am an avid painter in the Brushstrokes Art Program at UCP. I enjoy the feeling I get when creating

explore videography.”

Oscar was given the opportunity to video "The Sensations" performance. "The Sensations" performed "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" and "Shake Rattle and Roll". The songs were interpreted using Sign Language, facial expressions and body gestures.

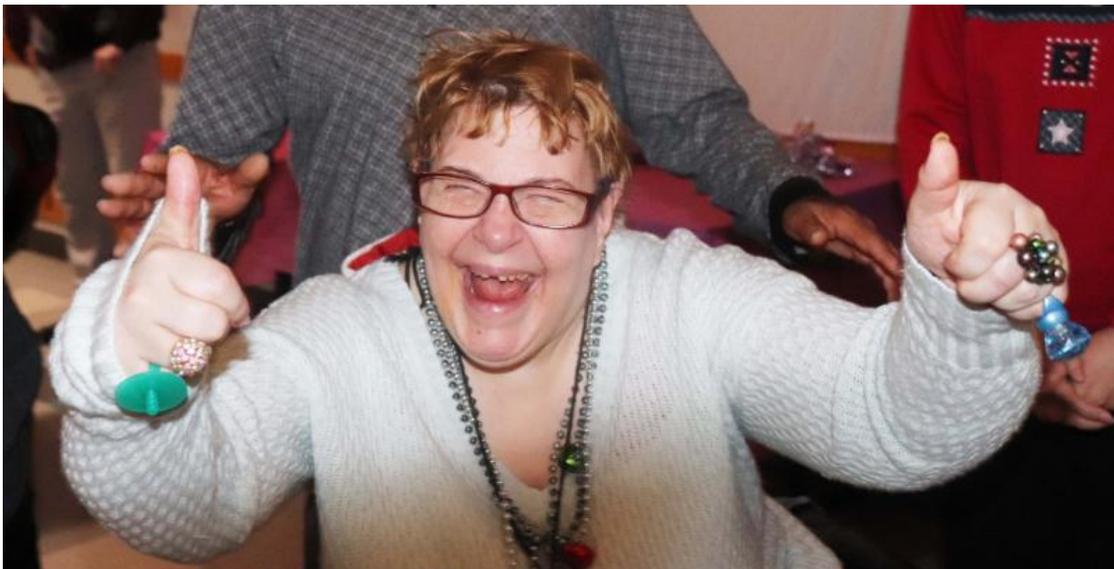
art. My disability leaves my upper body and arms very tight. The calmness that I feel when painting helps me relax and is my favorite activity. I have always enjoyed painting flowers and I am now trying to paint landscapes and animals."

-Michelle, Brushstrokes Program

SPOTLIGHT HOUSE OF THE MONTH: CORNELIA

Every other Wednesday when Michael gets home from program, he and a staff member will go to the Sachem Public Library where he will pick out a few books he wishes to read for his reading program. With the help and assistance of Cornelia's wonderful DSP's, Michael and his housemates are brought to Indian Head Road to watch and listen to Michael read to the individuals there.

Michael will sit in front of the group, read a page and show everyone the picture on the page. Michael has shown some improvements in his confidence in the few short weeks that he has been doing this. Michael comes off the bus on Wednesday excited to get to Indian Head Road. Staff are looking forward to seeing Michael continue to grow and improve with not only his reading skills but also his social skills.

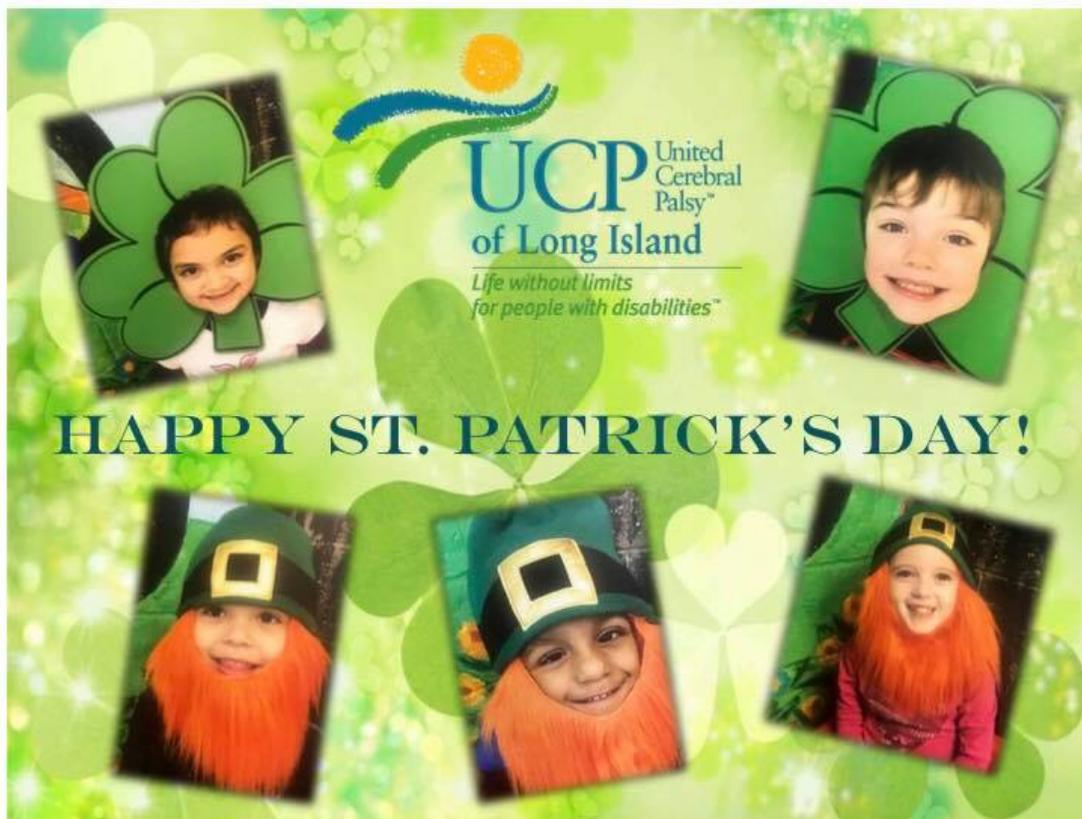


Your generous gift helps create more opportunities which provides brighter futures for our individuals! Join us today and [click here](#) to donate!

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

Che Che brings inspiration to our organization! Today we recognize World

Down Syndrome Day and continue to spread limitless possibilities!



SPREADING AWARENESS FROM LONG ISLAND TO NEW YORK CITY



UCP had the opportunity to highlight the education and adult programs and services at the February NYPD C.A.R.E.S. parent support group meeting held at the NYPD Police Academy in Flushing, Queens on February 26, 2018. NYPD Cops for Autism Related Educational Services (C.A.R.E.S.) is an organization in the NYPD that provides support to Officers, Civilians and Retirees with special needs children.

INCREDIBLE FAMILIES

We are always inspired by our individuals and families.

On Mother's Day in 2013, Bohdan came home with an envelope that contained a project he made for his mother, Inna. It was a personalized card expressing his feelings for her. For the first time, Inna truly felt like a mother to him because he was able to communicate in a way he never had before.





2018 SPECIAL EVENTS

APRIL 18 | A NIGHT IN MONTE CARLO
LARKFIELD, EAST NORTHPORT

MAY 21 | GOLF CLASSIC
HUNTINGTON COUNTRY CLUB
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AUGUST 6 | GOLF COAST INVITATIONAL
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS SCRAMBLE)
COLD SPRING HARBOR COUNTRY CLUB
HONOREE
PATRICK EGAN, SVP, NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP

SEPTEMBER 13 | HANDBAG BINGO
THE BLUE BLIND MANSION
HOME OF SMITHTOWN ELKS

OCTOBER 6 | 5K WALK N WHEEL
BELMONT LAKE STATE PARK

OCTOBER 26 | LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS GALA
FLOWERFIELD, ST. JAMES

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APRIL HIGHLIGHTS



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