



Third Quarter • 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

HALLOVEEN

Once again, the Magical Forest will be shrouded in Halloween finery for HallOVeen, beckoning ghouls and goblins of all ages with spine-tingling good times. Join us as we celebrate our 6th season, opening our beloved park to the local community and visitors from around the world. Park goers will enjoy our signature rides — The Forest Express Ghost Train, Cheyenne's Enchanted Carousel, The Avalanche Slide, The Blizzard Mini-Coaster and more — to go along with new 2018 rides, such as Wacky Worm Coaster, Samba Balloons, The Sizzler, more Carnival Midway Games and The Last Ride coffin experience.

To purchase tickets, please visit HallOVeen.com. There will be photo-ops aplenty, tasty treats and trinkets galore and a spooktacular display of Halloween-themed trees.









VEHIS



Vegas Fright Nights is OV's most highly anticipated new attraction. This heartpounding haunted house experience includes Nightmare Manor and Clown Invasion in 3D! Open nightly at 5:30 PM, this bone-chilling adventure is not for the faint of heart.

However, the first hour of each night is reserved for those seeking a less intense visit. For tickets, please visit VegasFrightNights.com.

CANDY DRIVE

In preparation for all the treats at HallOVeen, OV is requesting candy donations from the community. For every 250 pieces of candy donated, you will receive two tickets to HallOVeen or the Magical Forest. Feel free to drop off candy at OV's Oakey Campus at 6300 W. Oakey Blvd. Contact Yanique Shim at shimy@opportunityvillage.org for more information.

PUMPKIN PAWS

Bring your furry friends out to enjoy the HallOVeen festivities in their best costumes on October 28th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Magical Forest. Learn more at **OVevents.com.**





CAMELOT

This year's Camelot is coming up fast! Camelot at the Magical Forest - dubbed "The Grandest Gala of Them All" by the Las Vegas Valley's preeminent society columnist, is Opportunity Village's sophisticated, signature black tie soiree. Camelot raises hundreds of thousands of dollars each year to support critical programs and services for Southern Nevadans with intellectual disabilities. At this year's Camelot on November 8th, we're so excited to honor our friends at Boyd Gaming Corporation! Please visit **CamelotOV.com** for more information.

Mark your calendars for the 14th annual Las Vegas Great Santa Run, which will be held on December 1, 2018 in Downtown Las Vegas. Register TODAY

at LVSantaRun.com.





FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

OV's Fine & Performing Arts Program serves wonderfully creative individuals interested in music, dance, theater, and visual arts. A few very talented clients have been creating art in the Woodshop, working on custom or commissioned pieces and learning the very important skills it takes to work with this medium. In this newsletter, we have highlighted three different artists who participate weekly in the Woodshop.



Each week **Crezette** comes up with a new project in the Woodshop. Her projects include furniture, sculpture and painting on wood. Each project is evidence of her ability to use available materials and tools to achieve her artistic vision. In

addition, she has also shown growth in her ability to plan and execute the project. Crezette has been instrumental in assisting others by knowing where, when and how to help, often without direct instruction. Crezette is a dynamic asset to the Woodshop and some of her favorite pieces she's created include cat condos, and a finished cutting board. She is currently working on a painted wooden coffee table!



Cory has grown from someone who could dismantle something to being able to dismantle and repair. Cory knows how to safely operate most of the tools and determine what tools are appropriate to accomplish a given task. Cory is the "go

to" person for the most complicated tasks. When he is not maintaining shop tools or leading in the construction of various projects, he is making an electric bass guitar and having fun in the Woodshop!

Dana has worked hard to overcome the perceived limitations of being wheelchair bound. She doesn't shy away from working on projects that might seem too difficult. She operates hand and power tools as well as anyone else. Currently, Dana is making a large scale sculptural project that incorporates fabric, wood, paint and embroidery in addition to working on class projects. She incorporates many things she's learned to create

multimedia projects. Dana can always be counted on to make an interesting planter box utilizing her many creative skills! Dana enjoys the Woodshop as a chance to broaden her horizons and create beautiful custom art.



COMMUNITY PARTNER SHOUT OUTS

Once again, we extend a big thank you to **Cox Charities** and OV board member **Michael Bolognini** for a first-time grant of \$3,000 in support of Cheyenne's Magical School Bus Tours at Opportunity Village. Thank you for your continued support!

Throughout the month of September, 43 Burger King locations throughout

the Las Vegas Valley were raising valuable funds for OV. They collectively raised over \$40,000 and will be recognized at a check presentation on October 18th.



We also like to recognize once again some amazing volunteers who recently dedicated time at OV. Groups from **Findlay, the Meadows School, Bishop Gorman, Touro University, Aristocrat Technologies, R&R Partners,** and **Vegas YMSL** all came out to OV and we are so appreciative of their efforts!





FUNDRAISER INITIATIVES



Donate Your **Change**

Giving doesn't have to be a big check at the end of the year. With Opportunity Village and Donate Your Change, round up every debit or credit purchase to the next dollar and donate the difference. Make a big impact with your spare change! Visit **ov.donateyourchange.com** to join!

PRIDE. PURPOSE. AND A PARTY.

Are you ready to party? Forget those high pressure sales parties where you walk away with a gallon of essential oils you didn't actually need or a bunch of plastic storage containers you'll probably never use. It's time to party for a cause! Be one of the first to help OV launch an exciting new grassroots initiative where instead of pressuring your friends to buy things, you get to help spread the word about Opportunity Village and the people we serve.

Please contact Daryl at spragued@opportunityvillage.org for more information on how you can party for a cause and create an enormous impact.

VEGAS GIVES!



Join longtime Opportunity Village supporter, Darlene Miller, at Vegas Gives on November 7th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM for a cocktail reception celebrating ten charitable women who strive to make a difference in our community. For this event **Darlene** has chosen to

fundraise for Opportunity Village, more information and tickets may be purchased at **OVevents.com**.

Unable to attend, but would still like to show your support? **MJ Christensen Diamonds** and **Darlene Miller** host MJ Gives on October 24th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at MJ Christensen Diamonds, 8980 W. Charleston Blvd in Las Vegas, for a gathering of the family and friends of MJ and OV to kick off the season of giving. Tickets are \$25 and MJ will provide wine, food, valet parking, entertainment, and the opportunity for prizes! At this satellite event, ticket sales and 20% of retail sales from the evening will be donated to OV. Learn more and purchase tickets at **OVevents.com**.







On September 20th, volunteers from **Aramark** joined OV at our Oakey Campus for the Aramark Building Community Day to empower people to live healthier lives! Volunteers spent the day hosting three rotating specialized

learning sessions for OV clients from all campuses. The workshops included a yoga class, a healthy cooking demonstration and a nutrition

course to encourage our community to live fruitful and healthy lives. In addition to these learning sessions, volunteers assisted in preparing our Magical Forest for HallOVeen. Thank you Aramark for your time, dedication, and grant support to OV!



Join the OV Volunteer Community! We are always looking for dedicated volunteers to help with our many events and programs. Please visit OpportunityVillage.org and click on the Volunteer icon to sign up to volunteer for upcoming events, such as scare actors for our new attraction, Vegas Fright Nights - a ghoulishly fun time.

