Community Awareness/PR Opportunities/Collaborations
The Broadmoor Bobcats Basketball Team played the following games: Kirtland High on 11/1, Willoughby Sough High on 11/8, Chardon High on 11/15 and Riverside High on 11/22.

On November 25, Lake Catholic came to Broadmoor for their Day of Service.

The Mentor United Methodist Church, with assistance of the Broadmoor LEEP students, distributed holiday baskets to needy families.

On Tuesday, October 22nd, CES Career Development Manager presented to members of the Mentor Area and Willoughby Western Lake County Chambers of Commerce, as well as the Alliance for Working Together’s (AWT) monthly luncheon on the benefits of hiring individuals in manufacturing positions.

Willoughby Branch was very happy to host the Broken Wheel Square Dancers. Their talents are amazing and many of our individuals were active participants as well. Thank you to Deepwood Industries for sponsoring this incredible event.

At Broadening Abilities, Avery Dennison volunteers took on the challenge of making our “clubhouse” come alive by painting night sky colors and giving the room a new serene look. The volunteers also took time to have lunch with us in the cafeteria as well as to listen to The Billy Goat’s Gruff as told by our storyteller, Pete, in his magical way. One of our talented individuals serenaded the volunteers with his rendition of Mozart’s tiptoe sonata and patriotic music. It was a meaningful experience for everyone involved.

Many of our individuals at VGC enjoyed the start of craft days with the Recreation Department and look forward to creating more beautiful artwork.

Individuals at Imagine continue to enjoy weekly music therapy sessions from Groovy Garfoose. In addition, we continue to volunteer bagging lunch bags for End 68 Hours of Hunger. We are working on having more individuals participate in this volunteer job.

On October 11th, the Imagine group enjoyed a community outing with the Recreation Department to the Cleveland History Center. Many of the individuals enjoyed riding the carousel.
Departmental Program Enhancements/Updates
Lucus Glavic was known to many people. He graduated from Broadmoor School, attended VGC for a few years, and spent his last 3 years at Broadening Abilities. Sadly, Lucus passed away at home with his mother by his side, on November 5th, at the age of 39. Lucus will be missed by all his friends at Broadening Abilities.

Special Events
On November 22, the EI and Preschool Program provided Muffins with Mom.

On October 31, Broadmoor School had a Halloween parade through the hallways, including Broadening Abilities.

Willoughby Branch hosted our second annual pumpkin carving contest. Each group entered one pumpkin to represent their area as a whole. The competition was intense. Congratulations go out to Work 1, who won a pizza party and bragging rights for the year!

Willoughby Branch also hosted their annual Halloween Dance. Guest DJ duties was supplied by our own Allison Basta. We also held a costume competition to determine the best all-around costume. Congratulations to our third place winner: RJ S., second place: B J and first place prize was awarded to D H. All winners received a $5.00 gift card to Subway.

October was a great month at Broadening Abilities, filled with many fun trips to the Halloween store, along with scary treats and crafts. Pumpkin spice coffee, cider, and donuts filled the air with the sweet aroma of Fall. National Boston Crème pie was celebrated this month with this tasty dessert for all. Pumpkin decorating and a fun Halloween party brought out the adventure and fun while dancing to the monster mash. Frankenstein desserts were delectable treats from the cooking club. The Folklore club read about scary fairy tales from years gone by. The history club celebrated the beginning of Halloween while the art club dabbled in Halloween decorations.

If you were lucky to have a birthday in October then the birthday club offered extra special treats with cookies, punch, and pictures for all.

VGC had tye-dye week where we made tye-dye shirts and were all able to wear the shirts at the end of the week – a colorful sight to bring an end to our warm days this year! We celebrated National Reptile Day with Jungle Terry making an appearance so we could learn about some reptiles and some of his furry friends too. Individuals celebrated Halloween in our Haunted House area to do some craft, relax with some activities, and have a snack. We also enjoyed searching the building to find answers to riddles that led to Halloween Prizes! VGC continues to enjoy the NFL Football Game Picks every week as well as music therapy with Groovy Garfoose, in-house bowling, and our walking program.

Agency Resources
Quota International is a non-profit organization empowering women, children, the deaf, hard-of-hearing and people with speech difficulties in local communities around the world. Our own LCBDD/Deepwood employee, Beki Schreiber, is a member of Quota of Lake County. This year, they voted to offer a donation to Broadmoor’s School Age and LEEP students with hearing
impairments. The funds received will go toward adaptive communication switches and portable 
Bluetooth speakers for classroom iPads in 6 classrooms. Special thanks to Beki and the Quota of 
Lake County for your thoughtfulness and generosity!

The Scholastic Book Fair made $1,822 in profit which is provided with books and materials for 
Broadmoor students.

**Featured Success Stories**
On Tuesday, October 15th, in conjunction with National Disability Employment Awareness 
Month, Mike Hein, spoke to the members of the Rotary Club of Painesville on the challenges of 
growing up with a disability, and how he overcame those challenges. Mike shared with the 
Rotary Club members his work ethic and dedication related to his employment.

**Staff Development/Training**
The Preschool Staff will be attending a training on Setting the Stage for Early Childhood 
Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports: Building Relationships and Creating Supportive 
Environments on November 15 at The Mentor Paradigm.

On Friday, October 25th, CES Director and Career Development Manager presented at Adult 
Services In-Service Day how Employment Collaboratives, Networking, and Disability 
Awareness Training benefit employers who are considering hiring individuals with disabilities.