



October 2012 It is with the heaviest heart that we had to say goodbye to our optometrist and friend Dr.

Mark DeGeorge. Mark passed away on September 27th from complications of the cancer he had been fighting the last two years. Mark was an amazing doctor. His impact on his patients and those he has worked with was always positive and memorable. Mark was a man who cared deeply about us all and brought a passion that is not easily forgotten. I know many of you have been personally impacted by Mark and will miss him greatly. Mark was a family man who adored his wife and daughters and he lives on in them. We will miss you Mark. Thank you for all you did.

What's new at Ensight? Ensight's visual rehabilitation program is now mobile. With transportation being one of the largest obstacles that individuals have to overcome when dealing with vision loss, we to make it easier for you to have access to our visual rehab program, services, resources, and support. Ensight's is now able to set up onsite low vision assessments throughout Colorado. We are currently looking for senior communities that can host the onsites for residents. Onsites are designed to increase the accessability of our program. If you have questions or would like to learn about hosting an onsite please call one of our centers.

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Our Wish List

Our organization is a not-for-profit and we just love to get donations from those who support us. Whether those donations are monetary, time for volunteering, or purchasing much needed items we can always use them all. Ensight and Curtis Strong Center would like to ask those who have an interest in donating items to help us stock up on the following neccessaities. These are items that we use to help run our offices. Anything helps and we want to say in advance, thank you! * Batteries (especially the "AAA" and "C" sizes) * Paper towels and toilet tissue * Copy paper* Postage stamps* Trash bags

Occupational Therapist Needed for Visual Rehabilitation Part-time position with official start date January, 2013. Will provide paid training and shadowing experience prior to start date. Ensight is looking for motivated individual interested in assisting adults age in place, continue to work and maintain independence in the Denver area. Take the skills you already possess and apply them to individuals struggling with vision loss. Must have experience working with adults with low vision and be self motivated, have own transportation, and possess solid organizational and writing skills. Make own schedule for home visits, but must be available for in-office work one day each week. Salary and hours negotiable. Send resume to <u>cori@ensightskills.org</u> or fax to 970-207-9844.

Acknowledgement

Ensight would like to say thank you to the Fort Collins Lions Foundation for their donation for the month of September. Also, in September Ensight received a donation from the Mountain Lions Club of Red Feather Lakes. Ensight received grant funds from the <u>Northern Colorado Medical Center Foundation</u> and <u>US Bancorp</u>. Thank you all! If you are interested in a speaker, send an email to Melody@ensightskills.org. We are happy to share information about our organization and our impact on the community.



E-Squared Support Groups: Did you know that Ensight holds three monthly support groups throughout Northern Colorado? These groups are free to anyone who wants to share and learn. This includes, individuals with vision loss and their families or friends. We encourage you to check out one near you.

Upcoming Support Groups

- The Fort Collins E-Squared Education and Support Group will meet on Thursday, October 25th from 10-11:30am. This group meets on the fourth Thursday of every month at Ensight's Fort Collins office.
- The Denver E-Squared Education and Support Group will meet next on Thursday, October 18th from 10-11:30. The group will meet the 3rd Thursday of every month at our Denver office located at 6000 E. Evans Ave. Building 3 Suite 012 in Denver. For more info on the Denver group call 303-757-4500.
- The Loveland group has changed meeting days and will now meet the second Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on October 11th from 10:30-11:30 at Sugar Valley Estates 4320 Georgetown Drive in Loveland. This group is open to the community and not just for Sugar Valley residents. Please call Melody @ 970.310.9665 for more information.
- Ensight is looking to start up our Greeley group once again. New topics and a new facilitator are sure to be an exciting addition! The location is still being determined. If you are interested please contact Curtis Strong Center 970-353-9417.

Ensight's Consignment Program

Ensight is always looking for any used assistive technology components that are in need of a home. If you are in possession of a CCTV or low vision aides and would like to get rid of them we have a great program. Bring the equipment into Ensight and we will put it on consignment. Once we sell it you will get a percentage back. This is a great way for us to find affordable equipment that we can pass along to our clients. If you have questions about dropping off, picking up, or the consignment process call Ensight:970-407-9999. Also, you can donate any equipment that is no longer useful to you.

Ensight's E-Newsletter

Did you know that we can send our Ensight newsletter right to your email? If interested in switching to our e-newsletter please send a request to Melody@ensightskills.org and we will switch you right away.



Dr. Mark DeGeorge and Chairman Joe Skelton. Always happy. Always a joy to talk with. Rest in Peace Mark.