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### CIT Luncheon

NAMI SSW will be hosting a CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) luncheon on November 2nd at Camden Falls in Tiffin. The main speaker will be Lt. Michael Woody (Ret) from the Akron Police Department.

Nationally, CIT Teams ([More Details](#)) have been cited as best practice models in effective, safe and cost-saving techniques for dealing with persons with serious mental illness who come in contact with the criminal justice system. As the Director of Training at the Akron PD, Lt. Woody started Ohio's first CIT program. Lt. Woody will discuss his experiences, the benefits of a CIT program and why we can no longer afford to ignore the needs presented by this vulnerable population. Our community must work together to make our streets and jails safer and our responses to persons with a serious mental illness in crisis more appropriate.

Invitations have gone out, so if you, or someone that you know, would benefit from CIT training, please contact Dennis Wolf at 419-334-8021 for more information.

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### Schizophrenia

Schizophrenia is a devastating brain disorder that affects approximately 2.2 million American adults, or 1.1 percent of the population age 18 and older. Schizophrenia interferes with a person's ability to think clearly, to distinguish reality from fantasy, to manage emotions, make decisions, and relate to others. ....[More Details](#)

### Jane Pauley, When Lady Luck Met BP

By Lizzie Simon

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Jane Pauley has always considered herself a lucky person, long before she was a celebrity with glamorous friends and a life of worldwide adventure. When she was still a teenager growing up in Indiana, she developed a theory to explain the good luck that seemed to follow her throughout her childhood. She called it "The Things Falling Out of Heaven Theory." According to this theory, the most likely moment for something incredible to happen to you is the moment when you are most certain that nothing will occur.



"I've led a life of incredible good fortune," she says, "where the unexpected could happen."

And it most certainly did. When she made her network debut on the *Today* show at the precocious age of 25, Pauley became a household name overnight. The public christened her "America's sweetheart," "dawn's early sprite," and the "smart sorority girl with the cheerleader smile." With these endorsements, the warm Midwestern beauty saw her career in the media launched with an incredible, rocketing start.

Her 13-year tenure at the *Today* show was followed by an equally successful 11 years at NBC's *Dateline*, only to be one-upped by the 2004 premiere of her own talk show, *The Jane Pauley Show*, and the publishing of her best-selling memoir, *Skywriting* (Random House, 2004).

She is, indeed, lucky. Her marriage to cartoonist Garry Trudeau is reaching its 25th year, and together they have three healthy children, Rickie, Ross, and Tom. She sits now, age 54, in her living room in Manhattan, surrounded by exquisite art and antiques from around the world and from many centuries. Behind her, the view of Central Park is so magnificent, so intimate, that the entire apartment feels like a castle overlooking its own enchanted, verdant forest. On the coffee table before her, a white orchid reaches tall from its pot and opens up in the gorgeous, surprising, complex way that orchids do.

A photograph of Pauley's daughter, Rickie, lies on a side table nearby, along with a framed, nearly 30-year-old page from her husband's personal calendar inscribed, "dinner w Jane." The calendar entry marked their first date. "We're very well matched," she says confidently. ....[More Details](#)

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