40 Ways we love the Stroke Club

This is why I love the Cleveland Stroke Club:

- 1. Because of all the great people. All the great information. All the people who understand and all the new friends. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. –Linda Pfeffer
- 2. Everyone is <u>sooo</u> warm and welcoming! This club has helped our family in so many ways! Thank you! Amy Pfeffer
- 3. The feeling of unity. The compassion that is shown towards one another. No one is a stranger, evenif it's your first time meeting. —LaTarsha Williams
- 4. An awesome group of people that I can refer patients and families to, for fun and support. –Elizabeth Bolek
- 5. #1. The People! #2. Bill Pitts was a mentor and inspiration and I am honored to help keep his tradition going. #3. Inspiration! The members provide so much of this. I always leave the meetings smiling. —Jean Nisenboum
- 6. Great People! Great Parties! –Frank Nisenboum
- 7. Meeting new stroke survivors and caregivers and the outings. -Damon Smith
- 8. People are very kind and friendly!! –Mary Carney
- 9. Friendship. –Michael Hamilton
- 10. We are all in the same boat and understand one another. —George Williamston
- 11. You can be yourself. Support given survivor and caregiver. Everyone is warm and welcoming. They remind you that you're not alone. –Jacky Williamston
- 12. Because of all the wonderful people I have the pleasure of being with at all our meetings and gatherings. –The DeForests'
- 13. I love the Stroke Club because they are very helpful and lovely. -June Emmerson
- 14. A very helpful Club to survivors and their family. Thank you. -Dorothy Emmerson
- 15. Meeting new people and making new friends when I had my stroke. --Delores Jones
- 16. The friends I met down through the years. —Shirley Patterson
- 17. Friendly people. –Carl Wendorff

- 18. It is here that we truly feel we are all in this together. We really are <u>not</u> alone. Thank heavens for the Cleveland Stroke Club. –The Schecters'
- 19. A valuable forum for support for both survivors and caregivers, practical suggestions that have come in handy on a number of occasions. –Judi Koffman
- 20. It's fun to watch people helping people. —Sue Sheridan
- 21. Ever since I have been coming to the Stroke Club, since 2005, I have learned so much about people with stroke and their caregivers. –Lurelean Patterson
- 22. The Friends I've made!!!! Knowing the CSC is in "good hands!" -- Cathi Ellsworth
- 23. Genuine caring and support for all members. –Joanne Bergole
- 24. The <u>wonderful people!!</u> Their mission and what the Cleveland Stroke Club does to support their members. My favorite reason is they are good eaters...and they love the food I prepare for them –and that plus their love and appreciation makes me happy!!! Chef Rita
- 25. "The people" ...how welcome they make you feel. –Chris Vuyancih
- 26. For love and support of all the survivors. -Sabrina Simmons
- 27. The food!!! And my wife, Chris. -Mike Vuyancih
- 28. Everyone cares about each other. —Cecelia Hamilton
- 29. Support. -Denise Sager
- 30. We enjoy being with each other immensely, and everyone is friends with everyone else.

 Great support for all. —Bonnie Morris
- 31. So I can see old friends, like George Williamston. Share my home brew and talk about beer making with new and old friends. –Roger Gulbranson
- 32. I love the people. Dorothy Story
- 33. Seeing Friends. Helpful suggestions for doing the simple things and passing them on.

 For instance: I swept the leaves off my lawn and my sidewalks with a stiff broom. The rake makes my arms hurt. Somebody there will know how to find help to fix something you need done. There is an exchange of practical everyday help to offer. –Alice Ladanyi
- 34. I like the people. I like talking about sports and our Canadian vacations with our members. –Jon Colston

- 35. I am comfortable around everyone here because there is no judgment about the way we look or move around. We are here to help each other. --(Mrs.) Joyce Levy
- 36. Women!! Debbie, Chris, and Jean. -Gus Aberle
- 37. It is the only place where I don't have to explain myself. -Ajay Ladanyi
- 38. We love the people, their warmth and spirit that makes this Club special. –Herb & Berenice Kleiman
- 39. I enjoy it. It's very nice. -Shantrell Colston
- 40. Stroke Club members have shown us that "one can be happy despite the loss of certain abilities....they have built themselves a new homeostasis (new normal)." (B. Pitts, ReFocus, August 2011).