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Collinwood celebrates the life of Miles Kennedy

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Miles Kennedy by Nan Kennedy

Miles Kennedy, retired professor at the Weatherhead School of Management, CWRU, where he founded both the Information Systems department and the computer center that now bears his name, died Monday evening in his sleep. He was 80 years old. Born in London, England on January 26, 1931, Miles led a rich, long and peripatetic life.

He received his BA in Philosophy from the University of Toronto, where he met and married his lifelong love and wife of 56 years, Nancy. After Miles received his CPA the young couple moved to Montreal, then London where Miles received his PhD in Economics from the London School of Economics. Teaching positions at Berkeley, MIT, IIM Calcutta, CWRU, and the Naval Postgraduate school in Monterey followed, as did three children: Matthew, Simon and Sarah.

A lifelong reader of textbooks, and an inveterate tinkerer who taught himself, with often entertaining results, everything from auto-mechanics to carpentry, electronics and plumbing, Miles loved classical music, his wife, philosophical debate, and Indian food. In his retirement he gave selflessly and with abandon of his time and his money both to his adopted home of Collinwood, founding (along with his wife and daughter) Arts Collinwood, a nonprofit dedicated to the arts, and serving in a variety of roles on the Northeast



Miles on a trip to Ireland.

Shores Development Corporation. He will be deeply missed by the generations of students from many countries whose lives he helped shape, by his friends and neighbors all over the world, and by his loving wife, children, and four grandchildren. "When a great man dies, for years the light he leaves behind him, lies on the paths of men."

What a beautiful day to be Alive on East 185!

by Denise Lorek

The Color Guard and Drill Team from Collinwood High School started our third annual Alive on East 185 parade on Saturday, May 21st. They were followed by over 25 different groups and organizations including a bagpipe unit donated by Paran Management. This year's winners for best units were: First Place went to the Lithuanian Village Dancers who danced down East 185th St., Second Place went to the Football Team from VASJ and Third Place went to Nothing but the Best Hair and Nail Salon. Each one of these units will receive cash prizes for being the best units in the parade. Ruta Degutis from the Lithuanian Village commented "the dancers had so

Linky from PNC Bank and the Pink Panther were waving to the children and passing out candy. Cebars had a boat in the parade and the Harland Pub had their all terrain vehicle driving down the street. The Salvation Army had their disaster unit and volunteers walking with Lt. Chris Mauk. We would like to thank 5th 3rd Bank for handing out water to the parade units as they marched past the bank.

After the parade East 185th Street was Alive with fun up and down the street. There was face painting at Helping Hands Day Care, Clowns with Balloons at Gus's Diner, Free tacos at Chili Peppers, and popcorn was sold at Mickey's Dairy Treats to benefit the Animal Protective League. Café Corso about their facility. The City of Euclid had a "Touch a Truck" spot set up at the Family Dollar parking lot, so that the residents could get up close and personal with a fire truck. Many other businesses brought their merchandise out on the street in a street wide Sidewalk Sale. We also had many nonprofit groups at various spots on East 185th bringing information about their organizations to the residents of North Shore Collinwood.

This year for the first time we had an inflatable bounce section for the children. This was the busiest part of the street as children stood in line for their chance to play with the inflatables for free. This was provided with a grant from Neighborhood Connections. Laura Robinson from Helping Hands



Mickey's Dairy Treats

Day Care applied for this grant on behalf of the Alive on East 185 committee. Laura commented, "providing the inflatables was one of the best things we could have done for this event." You missed a lot of fun if you were not on East 185th May 21st.

Northeast Shores kicked off their new membership drive at the Alive on East

much fun that they are already thinking ahead towards next year's parade".

had bands playing throughout the day. Rachel Terzak from HCR Manor Care had a table providing information continued on page 11

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Dialogue



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Letter from the publisher

I would like to thank all the contributors and advertisers in this month's paper. It is heartwarming to see the increase in contributions. Please keep your stories and photos coming. Be sure to take the center section with vou to this month's Waterloo Arts Fest. There are lots of fun things happening in Collinwood this summer. Be sure to take plenty of pictures and submit them to the Observer. Have a happy summer.

John A. Copic

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Ouestion for Mayor Frank Jackson and Commissioner of Waste Collection

As a resident of Cleveland, Ward 11, I would like to ask a question to Mayor Frank Jackson, and the Commissioner of Waste Collection. Why are waste collection workers being laid off, when residents are paying \$8.25 in taxes for this service? How many people reside in Cleveland? Shouldn't this revenue be sufficient? Please reply to the readers of the Observer. Thank you.

Jeanne Coppola

VASJ Senior Prom

VASJ students celebrated the end of the year their senior prom Friday the 13th (May) at La-Vera Party Center in Willoughby. Congratulations to seniors Bobby Vollman and Marquia Ivey for winning prom king and gueen



Robby Vollman and Marquia lyey



Job Corps News: Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge gives warm greeting to new Alutiiq operator

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From left to right, Cleveland Job Corps Center Director, Modesto Gloria; Business and Community Liaison, Michael E. Taylor Congresswoman; Marcia L. Fudge, Alutiiq Vice President, Robert Sabochik .

VASJ 3Q honor students

Congratulations to the students selected as Students of the 3rd Quarter:



From left to right: Sophomore Christian Raddell. Senior Bobby Vollman. Freshman Alexus Johnson and Junior Melvin Burke.

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by Angela Smith children's aspirations for their future.





Euclid Hospital hosts annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

by Angela Smith

Euclid Hospital hosted their annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on May 19, at Tizzano's Party Center to thank volunteers for all of their hard work serving the hospital's patients, visitors and staff. In these days of high technology, shorter patient stays, and rising healthcare costs, volunteers are crucial to the hospital's long-term success. They offer patients an added human touch that's so important in the healing process. In 2010, volunteers donated over 27,000 hours of service to Euclid Hospital. Special pins

were awarded to volunteers for service milestones at the luncheon. These individuals were recognized for volunteering at Euclid Hospital for 30+ years:

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| | Years | Hours |
| Marge Brandich | 33 | 6,805 |
| Kris Hospodar | 35 | 11,373 |
| Vicki Misch | 33 | 23,152 |
| MaryLynne Pesto | 39 | 4,350 |
| Ann Sarley | 36 | 6,635 |
| May Straniero | 37 | 6,551 |
| Ann Wisniewski | 37 | 9,433 |
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For information on how to volunteer at Euclid Hospital, please call (216) 692-8880

Another successful National Take Your Child to Work Day

Euclid Hospital sponsored National Take Your Child to Work Day on April 28, 2011. The event was an educational day for children to see their parents' occupation and work environment, and a wonderful opportunity to heighten the

Special activities were planned throughout the day to help them learn the role their parents serve at the hospital. Children and parents were invited to a luncheon presentation where they

were taught about the different departments and wellness practices within the hospital, and their importance. Presenting departments included: Nutrition and Healthy Eating Habits, Physical & Occupational Therapy, Infection Control and Hand Hygiene, and Surgery. Children also spent part of the day observing in their parent's department.

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60 miles in three days – I can do that!

by Michel Hodges

I live on E. 151st in the Shore Acres neighborhood and last July I had the privilege of walking 60 miles in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure breast cancer walk held in Cleveland. The event was so inspiring that I will be walking again this year, July 29th-July 31st. The goal of this walk is to raise money to fund education, provide screenings, and ultimately find a cure. After spending 3 days last year walking with the bravest, kindest, most inspiring people I've ever met I am even more committed to this cause.

So why am I doing this walk? Why am I going to spend 2 nights in a little pink tent where the only toilets are the kind that get trucked away and you don't have to flush? Why am I going to spend 3 days checking my feet carefully to prevent blisters? Why am I going to spend a 3 days walking 60 miles around Cleveland wearing plastic baggies filled with ice as a fashion accessory around my neck? Because too many people I love have been stricken with breast cancer and I want to find a cure!

My family has been struck 3 times with this disease; my mom and 2 of her sisters. My mom managed to beat this disease not once but twice. My Aunt Kay was also a survivor but my Aunt Helen wasn't as fortunate. Friends who have had breast cancer include Bonnie and Judy. Judy is another angel watching from heaven but Bonnie is a survivor in every sense of the word. She's been in remission for 2 years and going strong. She and I were at the Home & Garden last year and visited the Susan G. Komen table. She sent away for information about the walk



Michel Hodge

and gave me a DVD to watch. I cried through the whole thing and turned into a "Pink Warrior" that evening.

Since 1982, Susan G. Komen for the Cure® has invested more than \$1.9 billion in its mission to save lives and end breast cancer forever. 3-Day for the Cure net proceeds help pay for vital global breast cancer research and local community programs supporting education, screening and treatment. In fiscal year 2010, Komen made grants to more than 1,900 community organizations totaling more than \$93 million. With those dollars more than 351,000 potentially life-saving mammograms were funded and more than 275,000 clinical breast exams were provided.

My part in this is to raise a minimum of \$2300 for the Cure and walk 60 miles. Believe it or not walking is the easy part! I have a group of people I see regularly walking the path between Euclid Beach and Wildwood. What a beautiful natural resource we

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Cleveland Public Library Summer Reading Club June 6, - August 6, 2011 One World, Many Stories

Hello Collinwood Family, Most of you will recognize the above title as one of the most famous movie quotations of all time. Yes, it hails from that iconic triple Academy Award nominee and all time favorite of 1989: Field Of Dreams. A true American drama, sports, fantasy all rolled into one, the movie displays a who's who of world-renowned movie stars. The film stars Kevin Costner, Amy Madigan, Gaby Hoffmann, Ray Liotta, Timothy Busfield, James Earl Jones, Frank Whaley, and Burt Lancaster in his last major film appearance.

The plot of the movie is a relatively simplistic one. As quoted from Wikipedia: "Ray Kinsella (Kevin Costner) is a novice farmer who lives in rural Iowa with his wife, Annie (Amy Madigan), and their young daughter Karin (Gaby Hoffmann). While walking through his cornfield, Ray hears a voice whisper, "If you build it, he will come" (often misquoted as "If you build it, they will come"), and sees a vision of a baseball field. Believing he is somehow being asked to build it, and fearing he is in danger of "turning into" his father—whom he resented for his lack of spontaneity-Ray strongly wishes to do so. Although skeptical, Annie is supportive. Watched by disbelieving neighbors, Ray plows under his corn and builds the field."

Around Collinwood Mz. Mississippi's Family Soul Food Best stuffed cabbage ever

by Jennifer Walker

The best things in life are worth working hard to get, but as you pull up to the tiny building with the boarded up windows nestled beside the towering apartment complexes, you may think, "Have I made a wrong turn, is this the right place?" At least that is what was running through my mind one late grey Thursday afternoon. I was on a quest for Soul Food, but not just any Soul Food; real Soul Food. The sticky, savory, messy, lip-smacking, down-home taste that makes you want seconds and even thirds. Being unfamiliar with the Euclid and Collinwood area in general, I had caught wind of the new restaurant at my job on East 185th street and decided to go see for myself.

The small brick building located at 19320 Roseland Avenue on the corner of Roseland and E.193rd St. has been known in the area as a Whitmore's for years. A large sign displayed across the front proclaims," Mz. Mississippi's Family Soul Food!" As I drive around the building to squeeze into the few spaces that serve as a parking area I find myself deciding that this culinary experience could go one of two ways. Either the food will be extraordinarily good, or extraordinarily bad. I get out and walk up the narrow cement path around to the front door, I already can smell some amazing aromas wafting from the restaurant and my mouth begins watering immediately. Good sign. I notice a message scrawled into the cement sidewalk, "God Loves You!" I look up and notice a few women leaving the building, they have huge plastic bags stuffed almost to bursting with styrofoam takeout containers....and big smiles on their faces. My feeling of trepidation turned into one of certainty, this was going to be good!

Immediately greeted by a friendly smile and warm attitude from behind the counter in the kitchen, I met Mz. Mississippi herself, Sherisha Robinson. A true Mississippi native, she has a definite passion for cooking. This is her first venture into the restaurant

pride over her new family run facility. "I learned how to cook from my grandmother and we make all of our recipes with love," she claims. She is certainly right! As I stare up at the hand written menu above the kitchen window, I can hardly wait to order. Tender barbeque pork shoulder and rib dinners with the meat melting in your mouth, succulent smothered pork chops with homemade gravy, juicy baked chicken with all the fixins and all of the delicious sides you could ever hope for when it comes to REAL Soul Food. Sweet, moist cornbread still warm from the oven, seasoned greens, candied sweet potatoes and the most delicious, gooey, cheesy macaroni and cheese. All of them 100% homemade, nothing canned and the prices are more than reasonable! Just \$3.50 for the biggest ,most delicious Po' Boy I have ever eaten, piled high with golden fries, crunchy coleslaw and tangy barbeque sauce. Most dinner entrees include two sides and run an average of 6 to 8 dollars. My order of a barbeque shoulder and rib dinner with two sides each, cornbread, 2 extra sides of macaroni and cheese and 2 sodas came to \$21.00! Mz. Mississippi's also boasts a large array of desserts, everything from homemade chocolate cake to sweet potato pie and apple-pear cobbler. This place is definitely a well kept secret in our community. Ms. Robinson's greatest wish for her new business is to find a bigger and better location where she can have tables and chairs for all of her beautiful guests to sit at while they enjoy her delicious southern cooking.

business and she is just bursting with

We should be very proud to have such a place available to us and I hope that everyone will take a few minutes out of their day to stop on by and welcome "Mz. Mississippi's Family Soul Food" into our neighborhood ...and when you come back, bring a friend or two. "Mz. Mississippi"s can be best summed up by the hand-written sign hanging on the back door, simply stating, " Please Use The Front door. God Loves You and So Do We!"

by Carolyn Tisi

I love stuffed cabbage so much that last year I had my first "Great Stuffed Cabbage Roll Off" party. Many friends came to my house with their favorite recipes already prepared and we ate them all! So, when I heard that Gostilna at Knezak at 768 E. 200th Street had good cabbage rolls, I hurried there to try them out.

My brother accompanied me on my visit. When I asked to try the cabbage rolls, they said they were sorry but the cabbage rolls were not ready, as they had just been put into the oven. So, I gave their lunch special of the day, a barbeque chicken sandwich, a try. My brother tried the meatloaf with French fries and coleslaw.

The Kaiser roll was overflowing with a fabulous chicken. Stu, my brother, is still raving about his meatloaf and mashed potatoes. But I still wanted the stuffed cabbage, so I went back with a friend for lunch. Again, they were sorry but the cabbage rolls were still in the oven. I accused the chef of telling a lie and that he never really had stuffed cabbage - ever! I said that he was just leading me on! Chef Bob opened the oven and showed me the little darlings, but insisted that they were not ready. He said that he made them fresh everyday and that there were seldom any left over for the next day. So, I settled for a cheeseburger.

Holy smokes! What a cheeseburger; it was two half pound burgers with my choice of cheese. It came with crisp fries and creamy coleslaw that I could tell was freshly made. It also took ten minutes to get to the table, as Bob prepared it to order. There was too much; I could not finish this delicious lunch.

I finally got my stuffed cabbage on my third trip, when I took my family Gostilna at Knezak out to dinner one Friday night. The plate had three large cabbage rolls and real mashed potatoes, all covered with a savory tomato sauce. If Chef Bob had served these at my party, they



would have won best rolls. My husband and son had the Lake Erie perch dinner with home fries. The perch, served with those yummy French fries, coleslaw and tartar sauce, was cooked with a very light breading so you can taste the delicate perch. The Friday night special price is only \$7.99. I saw a serving of Bob's Belly Buster fish dinner that was a big as a platter, but I'll have to take my son back another time to try that. I know I couldn't finish it.

Bob Edwardson, Gostilna's chef, and his partner, Frank Zigman, wanted to start a family-oriented neighborhood restaurant. Family is so important to Frank, he named his place Gostilna at Knezak, after the village in Slovenia where his parents were born. Bob has been cooking and managing restaurants for over 40 years. He has learned what the public likes and tries to please. He prepares everything to order and enjoys trying new things on the menu. Gostilna has daily specials every day of the week, except for Sunday when they are closed. Bob is also available for catering, so give him a call at (216) 738-1177.

If you eat out once in a while, support a local establishment and try Gostilna at Knezak. I am sure that once you have gone once, you will go back again. I did. Gostilna at Knezak is open Monday through Friday from noon to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 2 to 9 p.m.

Jay Dee

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Around Collinwood

"If you build it, he will come!"

by Reverend Damon P. Dillard

Of course, the rest, as they say, is history which brings me to the point of the first of what I hope will be the beginning of a series of columns designed to encourage us in the upkeep and maintenance of this wonderful community.

As a long time resident of the Collinwood Community, I am amazed at the beauty and tranquil simplicity of our neighborhood. With what I consider to be one of the most diverse populations within the city of Cleveland, together with new and exciting developments including The Collinwood Recreation Center sprouting up it is time to address something else that is sprouting up.

Oh those dreaded weeds. But there is an easy way to dress up your lawn's appearance (in matching the rest of your pristine palace) and keep those dreaded pesky weeds away for good. I use the Scott's Lawn Program (currently in step 2) which makes it really easy to grow and maintain a thick green lawn. Of course watering, cutting and trimming are extremely important ingredients in completing the equation but as the movie misquote reminds us, "If you build it, they will come" or if you "plant it they will come" as in green grass.

Of course the opposite also stands true, that if you don't build it they (that is the weeds) will come and stay. Until next time, Happy Planting Collinwood Family.



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Euclid Beach Feral Cat Project

by Ginger Hannah & Brian Licht Since last year, Euclid Beach Feral Cat Project has worked tirelessly to help sick, old and unaltered feral cats. Our primary focus is the historic Euclid Beach area because that is where people constantly dump unwanted cats and kittens. Because, our focus is primarily Euclid Beach, we felt that changing our name from North Collinwood Feral Cat Project to Euclid Beach Feral Cat Project was needed. It is not uncommon for abandoned cats to be dumped at Euclid Beach. Not only do they suffer from common ailments like internal and external parasites and upper respiratory infection, but they suffer greatly from wounds from fighting, car accidents or acts of cruelty. Spring is kitten season, people dump pregnant cats on the beach and strays get scared and hide until their babies are born.

The issue of overpopulation is a constant challenge. Brian and I work very hard to keep the four colonies at Euclid Beach under control. We have a resident population of approximately 138 feral healthy cats, and the cost of caring for them is huge. As with all living beings, they need daily feeding, adequate shelter and medical care.

As part of our TNR program we work with the Cleveland Animal Protective League to find loving and forever homes for friendly adult cats and kittens. Adoption is preferable to releasing them back into an environment where they lack the skills to thrive - or even

survive. Unfortunately, friendly strays may approach the wrong person and become victims of abuse.

Last year we helped over 322 cats and kittens - up 407% from 2009. In 2010 The Cleveland Plain Dealer did a feature story about the feral cat project at historic Euclid Beach. Thanks to the generous donations following the story, NCFCP/EBFCP was able to reach out and help other needy colonies in the Collinwood neighborhoods. We TNR 22 cats, and surrendered 160 cats and kittens to the Cleveland Animal Protective League.

Last year in the historic Euclid Beach area (which includes Wildwood Marina, the Euclid Beach Mobile Park Homes, the State park pier, and Euclid Beach Villa apartments), we trapped, neutered, and released (TNR) 12 Cats, surrendered to the Cleveland APL 89 cats that were either sick or friendly enough to be adopted, plus 39 kittens. Unfortunately, once again we are low on funds and needed additional donations to continue our work.

Please make checks payable to Northeast Shores Development Corporation, a 501(c) 3 non profit organization which acts as fiscal agent for the Euclid Beach Feral Cat Project. Please write **EBFCP** on the memo line of your check and mail it to: 317 East 156th Street, Cleveland, OH 44110. All donations are tax deductible.

Thank you for caring.

History

And Euclid Beach Park during wartime

by Elva Brodnick

Almost Memorial weekend as I write this. Cedar Point (where EBP's Racing Derby now runs as "Cedar Downs") has been open for a few weeks, but goes full time this weekend. Traditional parks like Waldameer in Erie, PA, & Conneaut Lake Park open for the summer this weekend (& they're both close – definitely plan a trip sometime over this summer to them. Conneaut Lake Park especially feels like a "trip back to Euclid Beach"!)

But think back now, to the days when our Carrousel turned by the Lake at Euclid Beach, and summer was coming. Remember? The snow would (finally!) be gone, the Park's sycamores would be leafing out, and the Lake would be actually liquid again!

But that's not what Clevelanders were looking for, was it? What we were watching for told us that yes! Summer had FINALLY come to Cleveland!

Think Lakeshore Blvd, between E 156th & the "trailer park". What was it that made it "summer in Cleveland"?

That glorious red "Open for the Season" sign!

Many of you will remember school picnics at Euclid Beach, usually sometime in June. I've heard many stories from so many of you about these days

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at the Park; what a different time it was, when you didn't have to worry about the kids - or whether your picnic basket would still be there when everyone wanted lunch. Many (or dare I say "most"?!) companies held their picnics there as well - one way or another, just about everyone in Cleveland got to Euclid Beach at least once over the summer. Living in Collinwood simply made it easier to get to this magical place!

But what I wanted to talk about this time (& yes it'll be after Memorial Day when you see this, but it's still worth talking about I think) was Euclid Beach during World War II especially.

Now how did the Park cope with wartime? Without a doubt, it was a challenge – not only did the Park face a manpower shortage, but there was the material issue as well. Yet EBP thrived - as David & Diane Francis point out in their book Cleveland Amusement Park Memories, the fact that the streetcar system gave nearly every Clevelander access to the Park was huge. The Humphreys became ingenious with making materials stretch as well, keeping the coasters running, for instance, by swapping the less worn track for track that took more wear. They stayed open, and gave Clevelanders a very muchneeded place to get away from the

(F) DURING the REGULAR 1969 SEASON the PARK will be CLOSED EVERY MONDAY EXCEPT MONDAY SEPT. I st

war, at least for awhile

Caption

One of my husband, Frank, and my favorite pieces is an advertisement for Euclid Beach from 1942. Not sure where it's from; it's framed & we don't disturb such things if we can help it, but it's nearly 13 inches high by 10 1/2 inches wide. It announces that Euclid Beach Park was going to be open special hours, one night - looks something like this (can't begin to replicate to wonderfully goofy logo they used - something we haven't seen elsewhere!) and read:

"Euclid Beach Park will be open from 11:30 PM Tuesday, August 11, 1942 Unti 3:00 AM To Provide Amusement and Recreation for War Industries' Second Shift Workers. You can enjoy... Dancing and Roller skating, All Rides -- All Refreshments. Meet Your Family At The Beach. Regular Prices Will Prevail.

Many parks experimented with different hours during this time, but I believe Euclid Beach was unique in doing this type of thing. You have to wonder how they staffed the place, but what a neat idea.



Hope your Memorial Day was fun! And Miles? We'll miss you here in Collinwood – always!

Elva Brodnick is the president of Euclid Beach's Carrousel Committee.

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by Claire Posius

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Euclid Beach Blast! Saturday, July 16th 11am-7pm

by Stephen Love

The Euclid Beach Adopt-A-Beach Team has partnered with Arts Collinwood and Project Pop-Up Galleries to bring you EUCLID BEACH BLAST! a day of free summer festivities, food, art, music, environmental awareness and fun at Euclid Beach Park on Saturday July 16th from 11am-7pm!

Help us kick off the day with a beach cleanup, then grab your shovels for a sand castle contest! Stroll an outdoor pop up art show, grab some food from one of Cleveland's famous food trucks, enjoy some tunes from 106.5 "The Lake" and learn about how you can help Euclid Beach and our Greatest Lake! Ride your bike and we'll even throw in a prize! Visit information tables from the Alliance for the Great Lakes, Northeast Shores Development Corporation, Euclid Beach Park Now and more! End the day with some live Latin music by Grupo Son Gitano! But if that isn't enough, join the After Blast! party at the Café Arts Collinwood at 7pm for more music, food and fun!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

11 am Kick off with a beach cleanup 12 am The Sand Sculpture Contest

Begins!

3 pm Sand Sculpture and Project Pop Up Art Show Judging

1-7 pm Park Tours, Booths, Music + Activities Games, Crafts, Food Trucks + Prizes throughout the day

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- Exit I-90 at East 152nd st.
- Head NORTH
- Turn RIGHT onto Waterloo
- Turn LEFT onto East 156th St.
- Turn RIGHT onto Lakeshore Blvd.
- Turn LEFT into Euclid Beach Park (the park entrance is just past the old arch!)
- Stephen Love is the team leader of the Euclid Beach Adopt-a-Beach program. Each month our team conducts cleanups and water tests at Euclid Beach State Park. I am
- Help keep water clean by filtering currently a graduate student at CSU pursuing a Masters of Public Administration. storm water runoff before it enters local waterways
 - Help alleviate problems associated with flooding and drainage
 - · Enhance the beauty of individual yards and communities
 - · Provide habitat for food and wildlife including birds and butterflies
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As development increases, there are more demands placed on our local environment. Impervious surfaces associated with development, such as rooftops, driveways and roads, are areas that shed rainwater. Construction activity on development sites usually compacts the soil, limiting the ground's capacity to absorb water. Taken together, these factors reduce the ability of our landscape to absorb and filter storm water.

Install a rain garden to reduce storm

water pollution in your own backyard

Impervious surfaces can negatively affect our environment as they increase storm water runoff. Consequently they increase the chance for pollution to enter our waterways through our storm drainage systems, including sewers and open ditches, which flow untreated to our streams and lakes. The type of pollution that results from storm water runoff is called nonpoint source pollution. Studies by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have shown that a substantial amount of the pollution in our streams, rivers and lakes is carried there by runoff from our own yards. Some of the more common nonpoint source pollutants include fertilizer, pesticides, pet wastes, grass clippings and yard debris. An easy way to help keep these pollutants out of our local waterways is to install a rain garden!

An important part of the function of a rain garden is the plants that are used. Perennial native plants must be used for the rain garden to have maximum effect. However, it can be difficult to find these native plants at your local nursery.

Native Plant benefits:

- **Sustainability:** Able to reproduce and populate without water, fertilizer, or other chemicals.
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- Water Quality: Deep root systems open soil pathways to allow rain water percolation; plant top growth filters pollutants and particulates improving water table quality.
- Aesthetics: Beautiful to the eye and alive with birds, butterflies, dragonflies, etc.

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Claire Posius is the Euclid Creek Watershed Coordinator, Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District.

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Northeast Shores

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Walkers for the cure

have right in our backyards! Now that the weather, FINALLY, has been nicer I will also walk to Euclid Reservation and take advantage of our wonderful Metroparks system. The fund raising part is where YOU come in. I need to raise \$2300 by July 29th or I won't be able to walk. As of May 25th I have raised \$110 so I REALLY need your help.

Let me explain why I am so passionate about this walk by telling you some tales from the road that happened during last year's walk. It was amazing how quickly 60 miles went by with hundreds of fellow walkers to talk to and laugh and sing with. Walkers included breast cancer survivors and people currently undergoing treatment. There was endless encouragement from people driving down the street honking at us and people in their front yards with candy, lemonade, and, my personal favorite, SPRINKLERS! We also had safety volunteers at busy intersections to make sure nobody got run over or turned the wrong way. They were dressed in pirate attire and gave plenty of high 5's. Great pirate jokes too!

And if I did get tired or behind (like my teammate Tobi and I did because of a Dairy Queen stop) no problem. There were vans to take us to the next pit stop. And these weren't just any vans! There was Boob Marley's complete with reggae music and a palm tree growing from their back bumper. The ladies in the Bippity Boppity

Boobs van treated us like princes and princesses. The couple in Ta Ta Transport had yummy candy and fun pins. The Strike Out Cancer van was on a "roll" with bowling pins hanging from their bumper. Who wouldn't want to walk 60 miles with all this fun going

Make no mistake though. Finding a cure is no joke. Breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer and is the leading cause of death among women worldwide. More than 465,000 die from the disease each year. Somewhere in the world, a woman dies from breast cancer every 68 seconds. And this is not just a women's disease. For every 100 people diagnosed with breast cancer 1 is a man. The good news though is that when detected early the 5 year survival rate is 98%. And from personal experience I can tell you that the new digital mammography machines are WAY more comfortable than what has been used in the past. So don't put it off. Go get your mammogram! After that go to the Susan G. Komen website for more information about breast health and learn about their programs including the 3 Day Walk. I'd love to have you join us.

Michel is a lifelong resident of Bratenahl and North Collinwood. I currently reside in the Shore Acres neighborhood and LOVE that we have a neighborhood newspaper again.

To make a donation on Michel's behalf you can do any one of the following:

• Online donations can be made by going http://www.the3day.org/goto/michelhodges • Checks can be mailed to Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure, PO BOX 660843, Dallas, TX 75266-0843. Please note Michel's Participant ID# 5026631 on your check.*Phone Donations can be made by calling: (800) 996-3DAY

Indie Fashion comes to Waterloo

by John Boksansky

Cloud 9 found a home at 15613 Waterloo Road in the former Salty Not Sweet storefront. Cloud 9 celebrated with a soft opening in early May, and will be having a grand opening at the Waterloo Arts Festival.

Donald L. Hayes, proprietor stated that: "Gucci, Prada as well as other famed fashion houses started somewhere...I chose to open on Waterloo. I plan to celebrate the designers' creations by staging them properly in the building space. I also want to utilize the display window presence on Waterloo as in days gone by. We will paint a portrait of the designers' work in this pleasing storefront located within this remarkably creative arts and entertainment district that Waterloo aspires to be. This is why I chose Waterloo."

The building is located right next to the Arts Collinwood Gallery. Mr. Hayes hopes to create a space for the celebration of local designers to market their wares. Mr. Hayes states: "I share the enthusiasm for design that the designers will convey in their work and ultimately will help them celebrate their dream of creating quality designer clothing for fashionconscious men and women."

Donald L. Hayes spends the school year teaching art at E/V Prep School, part of Breakthrough Charter Schools. When not teaching school, Mr. Hayes meets with local designers who share his enthusiasm for fashion and determine whether they fit Cloud 9's brand.



Cloud Nine Boutique

Style will always be in fashion at Cloud 9 and will include a mixture of Contemporary, Urban and Vintage styles by local designers. "I plan to carry designers such as L & R Couture, Sace Styles (SS), and Anton Z to name a few. I want them to buy into Cloud 9's notion of: 'In Fashion we love and trust,' as well as 'Trends fade but style is eternal,' a quote I borrowed from the late designer, Alexander McQueen," stated Hayes. You can learn more about them at http://oncloud9.moonfruit.com/ and visit their grand opening celebration during the Waterloo Arts Fest, June 25 from 12 noon to 7 PM. WELCOME CLOUD 9!

John Boksansky is the Business District Manager for Northeast Shores Development Corporation.

Collinwood Nottingham Dev Corp

Collect rain, grow veggies, and Tall grass: Facts, potential fines, save the planet! & why you should just cut it!

by Jayme Lucas

Free Rain Barrels Available!

Tired of all the rain? Let's put it to good use! Cleveland's Summer Rain Barrel Program provides a limited number of rain barrels to Cleveland residents FREE of charge.

Rain barrels collect rain water that can be used to water your flowers, veggies, and general landscaping. And the price of rain won't increase by 82% over the next 5 years....

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All homeowners in the City of Cleveland! However, there are a limited number of rain barrels that are distributed on a first come, first served basis.

What is required to participate in the program?

- Be a homeowner in the City of Cleveland. • Complete required paperwork.
- · Have a 2" X 3" rectangular downspout on your home or garage that is not visible from the street.
- · Install the downspout diverter by the time the rain barrel is delivered. (You will
- be provided the downspout diverter.)
- How do I sign up for a free rain barrel? Contact Kathy Adams of CNVDC by phone at (216) 383-9772 or by e-mail at kfadams@cnvdc.org.

Kathy Adams is the Development Manager at Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation.

by Mike Troha

This is a friendly reminder from Mike Troha, the Code Enforcement specialist for Ward 11. Grass over 8 inches high is a violation of the City's Health Code. You can get ticketed and/ or cited for having high grass.

Why is tall grass a problem?

- · Threatens public health by increasing the amount of allergy-triggering pollens in the air.
- Serves as a shelter for vermin, mosquitoes and other nuisances.
- Impedes the public's ability to use sidewalks.
- Reduces property values.
 - Poses a fire hazard when it becomes dry.

How can I make a vacant property next door look better?

Take 5 minutes to mow the front yard of a neighboring vacant property. We still encourage you to turn the property in for tall grass, as a longer term solution. Remember that addressing tall grass at vacant properties helps maintain property values of homes in the entire neighborhood.

More Info:

Call (216) 383-9772 or e-mail Mike Troha at mct@cnvdc.org if you have any questions or would like to lodge a complaint about high grass at a neighboring property.

Northeast Shores

Northeast Shores is at it again: Rebuilding E. 163rd

by Camille Maxwell

Recently, we rebuilt two homes at 387 East 163rd and 391 East 163rd into gorgeous, energy-efficient homes that offer an affordable monthly mortgage payment, maintenance-free living and 10 year tax abatement. Be a part of the Waterloo Village Model Block by purchasing a home and/or referring a friend, neighbor or co-worker



At this time, I would like to welcome our new home buyers: Lashon, Charlotte and family to North Shore Collinwood. Lashon, Charlotte and family will be the proud owners of 384 East 163rd located within our Waterloo Village Model Block. Lashon and Charlotte attended the Homebuyer Education Classes and from there were pre-approved by Dollar Bank as first-time homebuyers.

This amazing structure is located within walking distance of the Waterloo Arts and Entertainment District and minutes from the lake. This was a two-family home that is being converted into a single family with 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths with ample living and storage space, large fenced-in yard and detached two-car garage. The family had the advantage of working with the Northeast Shores team to design and



Getting there.

create their own floor plan which will accommodate their needs as a family. Take a moment to drive by and take a look and see the transformation of East 163rd.

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185 event, "Members have Privileges."

When you become a member of North-

If you are interested in designing *vour dream home please contact:* Camille Maxwell, Real Estate Development Director, Northeast Shores Development Corporation, 317 East 156th, Cleveland, Ohio 44110

Collinwood Nottingham Dev Corp

2011 Paint Voucher Program kicks off

2011 Paint Voucher Program kicking off Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation (CNVDC) anticipates taking applications for the 2011 Cleveland Paint Voucher Program by June 1, 2011. Eligible applicants may receive vouchers for up to \$400. in free

 Must be a low or moderate-income family (call for income guidelines). • The applicant may be the owner or tenant, however, he/she must reside in the South Collinwood house being painted. If the applicant is a tenant, he/she must get signed permission from the owner to participate in the

 Must receive Lead Safe Work Practice instructions at the time of application.

Get an application by calling CNVDC

• Complete the application and submit ALL required documentation by

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August 1, 2011. Painting must be done within 30 days of application approval.

- Required documentation: proof of ownership, proof of income, etc. Call 216-383-9772 for details.
- \$60 refundable deposit due upon admission to the program. The \$60 will be refunded to you upon passing the final inspection of the paint job and clean-up by a City of Cleveland Lead Assessor.

Please note that assistance covers paint and supplies only. You will be responsible for the labor involved to paint your home, once approved.

Your house must be in good repair to qualify for the paint program. If you have other housing repair needs, call CNVDC or go online at **www.cnvdc.org** for information on other housing assistance programs available to Cleveland homeowners.

Jayme Lucas is the Development Manager at Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation.

east Shores, you will get a key tag that is good for a different special each month at a business who is a member of Northeast Shores. The first special will start June 1st, we would like to thank Chili Peppers for kicking off this new program. Call Northeast Shores, 216-481-7660, to find out you can become a member and take advantage of these specials.

Denise Lorek is the Community Organizer for Northeast Shores serving the North Collinwood area.



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VASJ Football Team Second Place winners











Schools

VASJ students raise over \$2,000 for City of Children Orphanage in Matamoros, Mexico

by Emily Robinson

Each year during Lent, Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School holds a Lenten Mission Collection to raise money for a worthy, charitable cause, a tradition that dates back to 1987. Being a co-sponsored school in the Ursuline and Marianist traditions, VASJ wanted to support two causes with the money raised during the Lenten Mission Collection, one supported by each of the religious orders.

The Lenten Mission Collection kicked off on Ash Wednesday, and collections were taken each day during the second period of class. Meanwhile, Campus Ministry Director, Jill Latkovich was still working hard to find two worthy causes to support with the money. At the suggestion of Coach John Storey SJ '59, the VASJ Peer Ministers, a group of students who lead the school in Faith development, chose St. Joe's alumnus and former Michigan State football player, Dr. John Shinsky SJ '69 and his City of Children Orphanage in Matamoros, Mexico as the Marianist Ministry the VASJ Lenten Mission Collection would support. "John Shinsky is an example of another Viking 'legend.' He has carried on the spirit of generosity, dedication,

and passion to other parts of the world," Latkovich said.

After selecting Shinsky's orphanage as one of the recipients, Latkovich was still in search of an Ursuline mission to support with the other half of the money raised. Sr. Martha Mooney, Director of the MUSP program at VASJ suggested Sr. Miriam Fidelis VA '59. Although Mooney wasn't sure of the details of Fidelis' mission, she knew her work was helping children in Texas. After exchanging several emails with Fidelis, Latkovich soon realized that this year's Lenten Mission Collection was truly meant to be and that God had His hand on the plan. Three weeks into the Lenten Mission Collection, in an email received from Sr. Miriam Fidelis, it was disclosed that although she lives in Texas, she travels on a daily basis over the Texas/ Mexico border to Matamoros, Mexico where she teaches English and ministers to the children at the City of Children Orphanage, the same organization. The Ursuline Ministry VASJ would support was the same orphanage Dr. Shinsky helped to build and to operate. "I was shocked, amazed, thrilled, and in awe of



VASJ Peer ministers present the check of \$2,195.37 to John Shinsky SJ '69 for the City of Children Orphanage in Matamoros, Mexico.

this unbelievable one in a million chance occurrence. I felt this was an affirmation that was needed to prove that we were on the right path," Latkovich said.

The VASJ student body raised \$2,195.37 to help John Shinsky and Sr. Miriam Fidelis and the children in Matamoros, Mexico. On Tuesday, May 17, 2011, Shinsky visited VASJ to accept the check from the students for his orphanage. During his visit, Shinsky shared with the VASJ students a presentation about the work he is doing in Mexico and how his life lead him to this mission. Once an orphan himself, Shinsky discussed with the VASJ student body, the way in which

the sacrifices his mother had made when giving him up for adoption, taught him some of his most valuable life-lessons. "My mom was just an ordinary person, she wasn't anybody special. But she taught me what unconditional love was and she also taught me that ordinary people can do extraordinary things," Shinsky said.

Finally, Shinsky ended his presentation with an explanation about how his time as a Viking at VASJ (then St. Joe's) helped shape him into the man he is today. "You might fall down," Shinsky said, "But you will get back up because you're a Viking and that's what Vikings do."

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Mr. Gary Minadeo's Senior Functions and Statistics class took on the daily task of counting the donations and creating statistics, graphs, and charts to challenge the students to meet the \$2,000 goal. A great example of VASJ's teamwork



Lake Catholic Student fulfills Senior Project at VASJ

by Emily Robinson

Lake Catholic senior, David Petrovic, completed his Senior Project at VASJ at the end of April. The goal of the project was to allow seniors to explore their individual career interests throughout the community. For Petrovic, who aspires to be a teacher, the choice to complete the project at VASJ was an easy one. "The uniqueness and the way people express themselves really drew me to this school," Petrovic said.

A son of a St. Joe's alumni, Frank Petrovic '72, and someone who grew up in the VASJ neighborhood but had since moved away, Petrovic was excited for the opportunity to come back. "It was great reconnecting with my old friends and felt really good to be back in my neighborhood," Petrovic said. After his week of student-teaching

with VASJ's Religion teacher Mr. Chris Janezic, a Lake Catholic Alumni from 1978, Petrovic gained an even greater appreciation for the students at VASJ. "They are proud of who they are and they aren't afraid to express that," stated Petrovic.

Janezic observed the respect Petrovic gained in the classroom and was impressed with the way in which he adapted his teaching methods to appeal to the students. "David inspired the freshman English and Religion students to craft rap songs to help the students learn and appreciate the literary style of Romeo and Juliet and The Four Gospels," Janezic said.

VASJ was excited to have Petrovic in the Viking Village for the week and wishes him much success with his bright future in the field of education.

full school year.

year.

Christa White





Schools

Ursuline Family Care Program offers preschool with convenience and history of success

by Chanelle McCloud

St. Jerome Elementary School, which is the only Catholic Elementary School in Collinwood, is also home to the only Montessori Preschool in the surrounding neighborhood as well. With its first year of operation behind, Director of the Ursuline Family Care Program, Sister Barbara Eppich, is looking forward to the preschool's first

The Ursuline Family Care Program was formerly at St. Joseph of Collinwood until 2009 when the school and the program, unfortunately were closed. Sr. Barbara said she faced many challenges before finally reopening the preschool in the 2010-2011 school

"If God takes you to it, he will take you through it," she said with a smile.

The preschool is currently thriving successfully in its new location and is enrolling students for the 2011-2012 school year. Ursuline Family Care Program proudly accepts Cuyahoga County child care vouchers.

The preschool uses the Montessori Approach to engage and stimulate its tiny learners. The Montessori approach is an educational system that allows young children to develop academically through natural interests rather than formal teaching methods. The Montessori approach is said to make students more independent and aware of themselves, preparing them for kindergarten and beyond.

"The Montessori environment gives children the opportunity to develop at their own rate and learning style," according to Sr. Barbara. "The solid



Sr. Barbara has library time with her preschoolers and allows them to pick their own books and explore the joys of reading.

foundation provided via this Montessori approach has translated into improved educational outcomes years after previous students have left the Family Care Center.'

The Ursuline Family Care Program provides preschool/day care for four year-old children from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at St. Jerome Elementary School during the school year.

"We specialize in developing personal skills and values, academic and cognitive skills, group values and relationships," Sr. Barbara said.

The program is well rounded and offers many opportunities for students to explore their interests and talents, Sr. Barbara explained. "Daily activities are in the areas of reading readiness, math, social science, health-safety, religion education, perceptual motor skills, art, music and creative development," she said.

Sue Coan, the principal of St. Jerome Elementary School, is very pleased with the new preschool and what it offers the Collinwood community and the city of Cleveland as a whole.

"We [St. Jerome Elementary School] give students a great educational foundation from pre-k through eighth grade," she said. "Not many schools can say that, and I am proud to say we are one of the few in the city that can."

*Ursuline Family Care Program at St. Jerome Elementary School, 15100 Lake Shore Blvd., 216-486-3587 for more information.

What does it mean to serve?

by VASJ students, Kierra Cotton and

A group of thirty-seven students from Villa Angela - St Joseph High School embodied the definition of "what it means to serve" by assisting the Lake County American Legion members with the decoration of veterans' graves at All Souls Cemetery with U.S flags on Thursday May 26, 2011. Mr. Gary

Minadeo, retired Army veteran, 1974 St. Joseph graduate, and current mathematics teacher, rallied together these students with his powerful and inspirational ways.

These children made a lasting impression on many of the volunteers, veterans, and anyone else who was there to witness their honoring of those who proudly served our country. "As the grandson



VASJ students give back to Veterans this Memorial Day.

of two veterans buried at the very same cemetery, it was an honor and a privilege to show my support for those heroes," said VASJ junior, Patrick Mastalski. "As an American, I feel it is a fantastic show of appreciation to all those who have served and I hope I can do it again."

Not only did the VASJ students leave a lasting impression, but were a living portraval of VASJ's service to others. "Through the inspirational influence of

Mr. Minadeo, I was given the chance to show why Villa Angela-St. Joseph is so respected and I'm happy to be a Viking now and forever," said VASJ junior Malik Sullins. "I pray that the families we touched today are at peace; it was a proud day to honor these veterans."

This is only one example of what is yet to come from the Viking Village. Hail Red and Blue!



June 2011









Arts & Entertainment

Visual Music: Northeast Ohio Photographers Look at Rock and Roll opens Saturday, June 11, at Waterloo **Road Gallery**

by Anastasia Pantsios

Over more than five decades Cleveland has been a hotbed of rock and roll. "Visual Music: Northeast Ohio Photographers Look at Rock and Roll" presents the work of a dozen photographers who lived and worked in Northeast Ohio from the 1960s through today.

The show opens at the Waterloo Gallerv at 16006 Waterloo Road, a block from the Beachland Ballroom, on Saturday, June 11 with a reception from 7 to 11 p.m. It's free and open to the public. It will run through Saturday, June 25, concluding with an all-day open house from noon-8 p.m. to coincide with the Waterloo Arts Festival.

Over the years, these talented shooters have documented Cleveland's vibrant music scene from the Beatles to Bruce Springsteen to the White Stripes. George Shuba was Cleveland's pioneer photographer in the '60s when groups like the Beatles and the Stones came through town and all the top acts appeared on WEWS-TV's Upbeat Show. Bob Ferrell, Stephanie Saniga and I began shooting in the '70s when Cleveland was a breakout market for many major artists; they were joined in the '80s by Scene photographer Linda Woods. Karen Novak captured the legendary Euclid Tavern underground concerts of the '90s. Ken Blaze recorded the life and times of '90s DIY venue Speak in Tongues. Jay Brown and Greg Donley focused on the sweaty intimacy of small clubs while Aaron Mendelsohn travelled around the country to major festivals like Bonaroo. Joe Kleon has documented many top metal bands as well as more mainstream rockers. And Brvon Miller has turned his camera on some of Cleveland's most creative local bands of this moment.

All have created distinctive bodies of work, many of which have never been



Pearl Jam by Aaron Mendelsohn, taken last year at the Q.



exhibited in a gallery setting. "Visual Music," which I organized and curated, will be largest survey of local music photography ever seen, with almost 200 prints.

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Collinwood and other Cleveland Arts and Culture Organizations receive over \$65 million in Cuyahoga Arts & Culture Grants

by Valeri Furst

In 2006, Cuyahoga County approved a ten-year cigarette tax to support local arts and culture. At the halfway mark, CAC, the public entity which administers the tax dollars, has granted more than \$65 million dollars to 150 local arts organizations, big and small. Arts Collinwood received \$27,000 for its Portfolio Project, an after school program which allows middle and high school students to work with and learn from professional artists and create a public work of art.

Arts Collinwood Director, Cheryl Carter, said, "CAC's work keeps our city culturally enriched and vibrant. We are excited to be part of this public funding program which allows us to continue reaching children in our area. Through the arts, we are not only providing them with important lifelong skills such as critical thinking and collaboration, but also keeping them motivated and engaged in education."

Cuyahoga Arts & Culture grants reflect a major public investment and have had a significant impact on the economy, education, and our local quality of life. CAC-funded organizations are responsible for more than \$280 million in local economic activity. CAC-funded organizations employ more than 5,000 staff and contractors; more than important regional employ-

ers like Sherwin-Williams, American Greetings or Parker Hannifin.

CAC funded organizations have increased arts and culture programming for children to where more than one-million school children attend arts and culture events each year. After school and weekend classes and workshops have increased by 103 percent, and tuition for paid classes has dropped by 8 percent.

Arts and Culture is also reaching more people than ever. CAC-funded organizations have expanded their offerings of cultural activities by 25 percent since this funding became available, to almost 24,000 events and classes each year. Attendance at both free and paid events is also up by 7 percent, to more than 7.7 million annual visits in this county of 1.28 million residents.

"We have long been saying that the arts and culture aren't just extras," said CAC Executive Director, Karen Gahl-Mills. "It's extremely gratifying to have the data now to back up that statement. We're not just paying for things that are nice to have; we're investing in the infrastructure of this county and helping to make it the world-class region that we all know it can be."

CAC's 2010 Report to the Community is available online at www. cacgrants.org.



Arts & Entertainment

Art design

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The cast & crew of the Spring Musical, "Into the Woods Junior

VASJ Spring musical, "Into the Woods"

by Emily Robinson

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School presented three performances of the spring musical "Into the Woods Junior" the weekend of April 29, 2011. In the musical, classic fairy tales such as Cinderella, The Baker and His Wife, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk and Rapunzel all collided for a magical and imaginative journey that taught lessons of the power of tolerance, community and shared sacrifice.

"We went to the play to support the school. We left THOUROUGHLY and

COMPLETELY entertained. All the work really paid off! It was Awesome!' -Coach Babe Kwasniak '94

For seniors Amber Allen, Jodie DiDonato, Tim Frey, Laura Gruzinski, Rita Hidalgo, Terika Hyneman, TJ McGarry and Ashley Russ, it was there last time as a cast or crew member on VASJ's stage. They will be missed next year!

SAVE THE DATE!

VASJ's fall play will take place on the weekend of November 18, 2011.





The cast & crew of the Spring Musical Into the Woods take a bow after a wonderful performance!





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Nan's Notes

ARTS COLLINWOOD

Members' Show opens June 17

Waterloo Arts Fest Saturday, June 25. Go to www.waterlooartsfest.com

Regular Attractions:

Happy Hour every day: 4-7 pm, \$2 Stella Artois, Live Jazz every Wednesday: 8 pm, new band every week, Acoustic Showcase Jam Night every Thursday: 8 pm with Jeff Powers Band. All enhanced by wine, coffee, beer (they have several besides Stella) pastries, soups and really good bread in the sandwiches.

Arts Collinwood 15605 Waterloo Road, (216) 692-9500, www.artscollinwood.org. Gallery and Café hours: Tuesday – Saturday 11 am-11 pm; Sunday 11 am-5 pm. Community Center, 397 E 156.

AT THE BEACHLAND

Thursday, June 2: Northeast Ohio Drum & Music Jam * FREE SHOW!!!

Friday, June 3: New Wave Rave V

Wednesday, June 22: The Building (feat. Anthony from St. Vincent, Dean & Britta) * In One Wind (NYC) * Good Morning Valentine * In association with Blue Arrow Records

Saturday, June 25: Rock n' Roll Flea Market * with Waterloo Arts Festival * Free Admission

Saturday, June 25: Waterloo Arts Fest After Party * Cloud Nothings * Filmstrip * Jukebox Value * Crave * Sunspots * NIGHTS * Supermoon * More to come!

Beachland Ballroom,

15711 Waterloo, (216) 383-1124, www.beachlandballroom.com

AT THE MARKET

We are happy to have Community Greenhouse Partners at the market for the first time with a mix of salad greens. Check out the good work they are doing at www.facebook.com/home.php#!/CommunityGreenhousePartners

We are also delighted to welcome aboard Garden of Delight. You may already know her as "Garden Variety". She sells the heirloom seeds at the market and will be our third grower on our market garden property! She will bringing in fresh veggies from the market garden and her home in Cleveland Heights. Check out her facebook page for updates: www.facebook.com/home. php?sk=group_367611500471#!/ pages/Garden-of-Delight/ 187790547935523

Herb Thyme will be in with her amazing variety of heirloom tomato plants!

Burton Floral will have an ever increasing variety of flower and veggie plants along with eggs, cheese, butter and a few root crops.

A cooking class starts at 1:00 PM this Wednesday that includes a eating a nutritious dish with fresh vegetables. You will learn about washing, cutting, cooking, nutrition content, cost and where to purchase the ingredients. Space is limited, reservations are required and there is no charge. You simply need to complete a simple one page survey before and after the class as part of a grant from the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Please call or email Joe Jerdonek at (440) 376-9448 or commlaser@gmail.com for a reservation to this one hour class.

hands-on experience preparing and

Check out the market's new facebook page. I will be using this page to post real-time updates on what's in each market day. "Like" this page to see what's coming in that day and you may even be able to have us hold things if you can't make it to the market first thing. www.facebook.com/pages/Coit-Road-Farmers-Market/210574732307103

Coming July 16! Music from Miss Cosby Gibson and Tom Staudle. Cosby Gibson lives in upstate New York near the Adirondack Mountains. She is a songwriter and singer, and performs throughout the Northeast. This summer she's on tour in Ohio, Nashville and Virginia with fellow musician Tom Staudle. We're excited that they will make a stop at the market to perform on that Saturday morning.

AT COIT ROAD MARKET

Coit Road Farmer's Market is located at the corner of Coit & Woodworth Road in East Cleveland. www.coitmarket.org. Open year-round Saturday 8 am to 1 pm; April-November Wednesdays. (216) 249-5455 during market hours.

ELDERCAT NEEDS A HOME

An artist-owned 13-year-old kitty needs a new home (awful allergies have developed in her old one). She's healthy, spunky and sweet, does best on Purina Naturals dry food, has had her initial shots and been spayed, but no boosters. If you have a home for her, contact Doug Wood at (216) 956-3862.

TWO ITEMS

First, an exotic bird, clearly a pet, has been found. Please contact Meg at megdan@sbcglobal.net with a description if you think that it might be yours.

Cuyahoga County is going to offer a 2.5% tax reduction but you have to submit an application to receive it. This is the link to the application: http://fiscalofficer.cuyahogacounty. us/en-US/appraisal-department.aspx

AND IN EUCLID...

June 4, East 200 Street Stroll

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Last year's Procession

by William McCulloch





Holy Redeemer celebrates 87th Feast of St. Anthony June 11th & 12th



Since Holy Redeemer Church's founding in June 1924, the honoring of St. Anthony has played an integral part in the life of the parish. Starting with its annual Tredicina, or 13 days of prayer which begins Wednesday, June 1st, and concludes Monday, June 13th, coinciding with the day of his death in Padua Italy in 1231. For each Mass the church will host a different visiting clergy member who will expound

on St. Anthony's virtues and relevance of his message today. Patron Saint of the poor and oppressed, St. Anthony is also well known as the Patron Saint of lost articles. Father Marty Polito, a Euclid native and Pastor of Holy Redeemer since 1996, adds that it is not just for lost things but for people who may have lost either faith, hope, and or love. This, he says, is an occasion for prayer for things needed to be found in one's life and for a time of self-renewal.

The Feast celebration will start Saturday June 11th at, 5:00 pm and is held in the school gymnasium and outside in the courtyard between the church till 10:00 pm. Concession stands featuring Italian food favorites along with musical entertainment by South Collinwood's own Joel Scigliano will be provided. Games of chance and various raffles of dozens of different donated gift baskets, a flat screen television, a Summer in the City package including Cedar Point and Cleveland Indian tickets, and for cash payouts totaling \$5000.

Sunday, the celebration continues following Mass celebrated by Bishop Edward Pevec with a procession of the statue of St. Anthony through the streets of the neighborhood. The procession will include the Italian Band of Cleveland and Lolly the Trolly to shuttle those who may have trouble walking the full route. Afterwards the Festival will reopen at 1:00 pm and continue until 8:00 pm. Hope to see you there.

Holy Redeemer Church, 15712 Kipling Avenue, (216) 531-3313 www.holyredeemer-cleveland.4lpi.com

William McCulloch is an amateur local historian.



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Libraries

Cleveland Public Library Summer Reading Club Program

by Caroline Peak "One World, Many Stories" June 6 – August 6, 2011

Collinwood Branch, 856 East 152nd Street; (216) 623-6934 Contact Person: Caroline Peak, Youth Services Librarian

A World of Colors, June 7, 3 pm Celebrate the diversity of people throughout the world through stories, crafts, and activities.

Global Bingo, June 14, 1-2 pm Every Place has a story. Join us for a round of Bingo as we discover the stories behind some of the world's most famous cities.

A Tribute to International Music Star, Michael Jackson, June 21, 1-2 pm Join us to pay tribute to the internationally renowned "King of Pop", Michael Jackson.

Celebrating Independence Day in America, June 28, 1-2 pm Learn about the history and traditions of this holiday across the globe through interactive activities and make a patriotic craft to take home!

PAGE TURNERS' BOOK CLUB: Don't Even Go There, by Brenda Hampton Saturday, May 28 10:30-11:30 am Book: *The Lincoln Lawyer* by Michael Connelly, Saturday, June 25 10:30-11:30 am

COMPUTER CLASSES Call the Computer Learning Connection at (216) 623-2980 to register.

Saturday, June 18th, Writing a Business Plan, Learn to write a business plan for your future or current business. Stay organized, outline your goals, or attract investors.11 am-1 pm

Saturday, June 25, Business Writing, Learn to communicate more effectively by following business etiquette, focusing on purpose and action, and creating well-formatted documents. 11 am-1 pm.

GED CLASSES, Beginning June 21-September 8, Tuesday and Thursdays, 2-4 pm

Cleveland Public Library Memorial -Nottingham Branch June 2011 Summer Programs

by Maria F. Estrella

One World, Many Stories Princess Tea Party, Thursday, June 9, 2011, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

By royal command, the Memorial-Nottingham Branch will host a magnificent One World, Many Stories Princess Tea Party! The soiree will feature a tea table befitting young royalty, sceptermaking, and a review of the tale the Princess and the Pea by Rachel Isadora.

Dolls and teddy bears welcome, and participants are encouraged to dress up like their favorite world princess. Limited to children ages 4 through 8 years of age. Please register with the Children's Librarian for the event by Wednesday, June 1, 2011.

From Anansi to Eensy, Weensy! Thursday, June 16, 1:30 pm-2:30 pm

Attention all eight legged fans! The Memorial-Nottingham Branch will host an Anansi to Eensy, Weensy Spider Celebration! Come listen to spider stories and make a creepy crawler to take home.

One Little Red Hen, Many Stories, Wednesday, June 22, 10:30-11:30 am

There are many versions of The Little Red Hen story. Join us as we read a few versions of the story, make a craft, and try to come up with one of our own as a group!

Cleveland Metroparks Nature-Tracks Mobile Tour, Tuesday, June 28, 2011, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Children, young adults and families, hop onboard the NatureTracks Mobile Classroom and expand your knowledge of nature. Join Mario Jackson, Cleveland Metroparks Education Specialist, as he discusses the purpose of the mobile classroom, and what you could do to became closer to the environment

Maria F. Estrella is the new Cleveland Public Library Children's Librarian at Memorial-Nottingham Branch.



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The Grandmothers on binkies

by The Grandmothers

In Anne Tyler's novel, "Digging to America," there's a humorous scene in which a mother plans an elaborate scheme for separating her 3-year-old daughter from her pacifier. She invites all the mothers and young children she knows to a party, the climax of which will be the releasing of a clutch of helium balloons with binkies (pacifiers) attached to them. On her daughter's balloon is THE pacifier, of course, which will dramatically sail up into the heavens and, the mother is confident, thus be out of her daughter's life forever. The party goes as planned, with the little girl willingly releasing her balloon and watching her beloved binkie fly away, and the mother satisfied that her scheme has worked. But after the balloons and binkies are out of sight and the guests are beginning to leave, the mother discovers her daughter happily sucking on a pacifier that she has swiped from the mouth of one

In some circles, to give a baby a binkie is a given. Binkies are better than thumbs, some argue, because binkies can be - with difficulty sometimes, granted, as in the Anne Tyler story – taken away, while thumbs come attached. Binkies are often among the gifts at baby showers. Many parents bring their babies home from the hospital with binkies in their mouths (the babies' mouths, not the parents'). Children riding around in strollers are often seen sucking away on binkies attached to them by a handy clip-on gadget that prevents the binkie from falling on the sidewalk if dropped. Binkie-shaped candies are sold to older children who presumably have outgrown their addiction but still remember their binkie

Others frown upon binkie use, because children can become dependent on them, and also because some are offended by the mindless expression on the face of a child who's sucking on one. In England, in fact, the common slang term for pacifier is dummy, for obvious reasons. Some child development specialists argue that children should learn to soothe themselves; in their opinion thumbs are preferable to pacifiers because the thumb is in the child's control, while the binkie is, at least initially, in the adults'. And children who are learning to talk are rendered speechless, or all but impossible to understand, if they have binkies in their mouths.

The Grandmothers take the middle ground. Here are their rules-of-thumb (please pardon the expression) for

1. If your baby is brand new to the planet, don't stick a pacifier into his/her mouth right away. Maybe you're one of the lucky parents whose newborn goes to sleep easily and when awake stares at the marvels around him, quite content. This kid doesn't need a pacifier, so don't give him

2. If your baby is a screamer, and there are such, and you have fed her and changed her and cuddled her and she's still screaming, by all means try popping a pacifier into her mouth and see if that helps. Just make it your last resort, not your first. Give her a chance to soothe herself to sleep. But better to risk turning your baby into a binkie addict than have a nervous breakdown yourself. Your baby needs a parent who is calm and relatively free of stress.

3. If your baby has become accustomed to binkie use but is starting to walk, try leaving the pacifier in his crib as he begins his day of exploring and investigating. He will soon lose interest in the binkie as he finds much more interesting things to do and starts finding pleasure in other sensory experiences.

4. If your baby is no longer a baby, has become 2 or 3 or even 4 but still wants her binkie with her wherever she goes, and you would like to get it away from her but you don't want to go the helium balloon route, avoid getting into a struggle with her over it. Talk to her about becoming a big kid, about big kids getting to do big kid things and how as a rule big kids don't run around playing soccer (or whatever) with binkies in their mouths. Tell her that you can't understand her when her mouth is full of binkie. Encourage her to make her binkie a bedtime-only thing that stays under her pillow all day. But don't force the issue, even with clever stratagems like suggesting that she mail it to her new baby cousin. Don't give it that much importance. Don't even try to protect her from occasional derogatory comments and teasing from other children and adults. Just wait for her interest in her binkie to gradually fade.

There are a few exceptions to rule #3. If you are in a situation where you would prefer it if your child did not scream and disturb everyone around you and there's no chance of carrying him away from the scene – if you are flying to Singapore in a 747, for example – have a binkie handy in your carry-on.

If you have a parenting question, please email it to us at thegrandmothers@collinwoodobserver.com. Or mail it to The Grandmothers, Collinwood Observer, 650 E. 185th St., Cleveland, OH 44119.

The Grandmothers are Kathy Baker, Maria Kaiser, Gann Roberts and Ginny Steininger. They meet at Hanna Perkins Center, 19901 Malvern Road, which houses the Hanna Perkins School and the Reinberger Parent/Child Resource Center. For information call Barbara Streeter (216) 991-4472.



Math for everyone, a vexing problem

by Tallis George Munro

This discussion on prime numbers is partly inspired by a negative example. You see, my son's 5th grade teacher at Thomas Jefferson Elementary school in Euclid is confused by prime numbers and their all important role in calculating the Least Common Multiple (LCM) and the Greatest Common Factor (GCF) for two or more numbers. So, this article goes out to her and all the other adults who struggle over how to combine fractions with different denominators. Mind you, the importance of prime numbers is not just limited to arithmetic calculations; primes have a profound role in mathematics. An excellent book to read is John Derbyshire's "Prime Obsession." It is a math book written with great suspense and wit.

First, prime numbers are positive counting numbers which have only two factors, namely, the number itself and the number (1) one. For example, the first prime number is the number (2) two. It can be divided only by itself and the number one. The first non-prime number or a composite number is (4) four. This number can be divided by the numbers 1, 2, and itself. If you think carefully about it the numbers 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, and 23 are all prime numbers. The number one is not a prime number. The Greek mathematician Euclid (325-265 BCE), established by deductive proof that there are an infinite number of prime numbers.

One of the amazing properties of prime numbers is that they form the

building blocks, so to speak, of all positive counting numbers, e.g. natural numbers. The German mathematician Karl Fredrick Gauss (1777-1855) proved that every natural number greater than one has a unique combination of prime numbers as factors. Now, what is a factor? A factor is a number that can divide evenly into another number, that is, there is no remainder once the division is completed. In the examples below, the () symbol means to multiply.

Some examples are:

the prime factors of (9) nine = (3)(3)the prime factors of (12) twelve = (3)(2)(2)the prime factors of (15) fifteen = (3)(5)

Now, if we ask what is the LCM for these numbers, each factor must be represented to its greatest exponential power. The LCM is calculated by multiplying (3)(3)(2)(2)(5) which equals 180. For our purposes, exponential means the number of times a factor is multiplied by itself. The numbers share the number (3) three as a common factor. Which also happens to be the GCF for all three numbers.

The next time you come across fractions that you cannot add or subtract because of unlike denominators remember that prime numbers are the key to solving your math problem. Knowing how to calculate with primes is a powerful math skill and is the foundation of arithmetic.

MATH FOR EVERYONE is written by Tallis George Munro. He is a math advocate and can be reached at georgemunro.tallis@gmail.com



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Euclid Animal Shelter is over-flowing with kittens

It's "kitten time" at the Euclid Animal Shelter, 25100 Lakeland Boulevard, where staffers are now seeking good homes for more than 20 of the cuddly critters.

Patti Burlingham, treasurer of Euclid Pet Pals, the volunteer group that supports the shelter, reported recently that three litters of kittens were born at the shelter. About a dozen of the kittens were available to be adopted, while the others were still too young to be separated from their mothers. For information on adoptions, contact the shelter at (216) 289-2075. The \$70 adoption fee for kittens covers spaying or neutering, the first vaccination, a bath, and worming (if necessary). Seniors adopting pets receive a \$10 discount.

The animal shelter is open to the public from noon to 4 pm Tuesday through Saturday, and from 6 to 8 pm on Thursday evenings.

The Pet Pals' recent "Bark-B-Q" fundraiser was a huge success, Burlingham notes. The event drew a turnout of 150 animal lovers, who enjoyed a tasty rib dinner at Tizzano's Party Center.

Among the attendees was Euclid mayor Bill Cervenik, who commended the gathering for its support of a worthwhile cause. Also on hand were Euclid councilman Darryl Langman and former councilwoman Charlene Mancuso, who has announced plans to run for the mayor's post this fall.



"PLEASE, SOMEBODY ADOPT ME" – This fourweek-old brown tabby was part of a litter of kittens that were born at the Euclid Animal Shelter, after someone dropped off the mother cat.

Call to Cars for the 2nd annual Boardwalk Car Cruise!

by Brittainy Heisler

The date is set! Saturday, July 23rd the SS+W Boardwalk will be hosting its 2nd Annual Classic Car Cruise. Entertainment for this year will include The Del Rio Bandits as well as The Madison Crawl. Stop by the Boardwalk and register your car now for only \$10! More info to come next issue !





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