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It Didn't Rain on Our Parade



by Margaret Craig

Well, I guess it literally did rain on our parade. But the rain did not stop the sixth Annual Alive on 185 Parade. It started raining at about the same time parade participants were arriving to line up. Even though it was dreary, raining and cold everyone showed up and was willing to participate in the parade. We waited huddled underneath umbrellas and the awning of the Imagine Bella entrance for the rain to stop, but

Mother Nature was not cooperating. The Collinwood Thundercats could be heard practicing their cheers, the drummers from OH Perry were getting their instruments ready, the many vehicles had their engines humming ready to move and the fifth district police were in full force ready to prepare the way. At about two minutes to eleven, the time the parade was to begin, the rain had subsided some, but it was still

raining. Some wanted to call it off, but the decision was made to continue on through the rain and that only the vehicles would move down the street. It started out with the Euclid Beach Rocket Car leading the way and one by one the vehicles headed out the parking lot behind the police escort. Then the most amazing thing happened, no it didn't stop raining. The other parade participants wanted to go as well. The children and families from Helping Hands Day Care, the cheerleaders and students from VASJ, the Team from Garden of Prayer Church, rangers and horses from the Metro Parks, the dogs and their walkers from Dog Paws, and all the others who showed up were willing to brave the rain and the cold to march down 185th Street. It was a wonderful sight to see and after the last vehicle left the parking lot the rain stopped and as the parade traveled down 185th Street the sun began to shine. And let's not forget those who braved the rain and the cold and waited on the street to watch the parade. Though the numbers were few, all who came out enjoyed picking up candy and

receiving frozen treats from the ice cream truck provided by Imagine Bella Academy.

The festivities did not end after the last vehicle rode down 185th. There was a lot of activity on the street. Many of the businesses had their merchandise outside, several organizations were on hand passing out information, the Mobile Market, the Krav food truck were there as well as Savannah's kettle corn. Down the street at Fear's Confections there was more activity. Since the threat of rain was still lingering we moved the band inside and there was a balloon artist and a caricature artist on hand to add to entertainment. The day ended with a concert from the 147 Band in the parking lot of the LaSalle Theater. Their mix of old school and current R&B had us on our feet dancing and singing along. It was a great day on East 185th Street. The rain did not stop the true spirit of our annual event. I wish to thank all who participated, donated and attended, there are too many to name here. You are truly appreciated for your efforts! See you next year for a bigger and better event rain or shine!

The 12th Annual Waterloo Arts Fest is on June 28th



by Amy Callahan

Our long awaited summer is finally here and when that sun starts shining, it means the biggest summer arts bash in Collinwood is not far off. The 12th Annual Waterloo Arts Fest is on June 28th from noon until 7pm, so mark your calendars for the biggest, best Fest yet. The Waterloo Arts Fest planning team is excited to announce the expansion of the festival site across E 156th and west down Waterloo to Calcutta. This development was made possible by a record number of applications received from art and food vendors, bands, DJs, and community organizations all interested in being part of the festival in 2014.

There will be 60+ of Cleveland's hippest art vendors, the addition of three new

stages – for a total of 9! – featuring a huge variety of music from rap to indie rock, polka to Dixieland, Americana to blues, food trucks serving delectable nosh, art activities galore, gallery exhibits showing the work of some of Cleveland's best artists, a dedicated Kids Area, and amazing performance artists strolling throughout it all. The Arts Alive program started last year will be back with a chance for you to try your hand at throwing a ceramic pot, create some fiber art, make a sun print, paint with bubbles, watch a blacksmith at work, and many more hands-on activities for kids and adults.

The Waterloo Arts Fest is a chance celebrate with your neighbors, the great community we live in, and proudly show off one

of Cleveland's most exciting up and coming neighborhoods to all the visitors here for that day. You can stop in and say, hi, to the tried and true Waterloo merchants or meet the new neighbors opening shop soon, like Jessica Pinsky from Praxis Fiber Arts or Valerie Grossman from Brick Ceramics Studio or Liz Maugins from Zygote Press or Loren Naji from Satellite Gallery and sample goodies from Kimberly Homan's soon to be Bright Coffee Bar.

To find out more details about the event, please join our Facebook event on the Waterloo Arts Fest fan page or visit www.waterlooarts.org and sign up for our newsletter. The Waterloo Arts Fest planning team can't wait to see you on June 28th!

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"This meeting is our neighborhood's opportunity to continue the dialogue as to where we see CMSD going over the next decade. It's critical for Greater Collinwood that we have meaningful & viable public schools. I urge all parents and concerned citizens to weigh in and have a voice in this process."
-Councilman Polensek

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COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Let's make a neighborhood resolution for the new year – check out the block clubs. It takes just one evening a month, it often involves food, you get an up-close view of neighbors you didn't know, you hear what's going on and you can seize the moment and ask why. Or why not. Stick this list on the refrigerator. Or on your iPhone.

Collinwood Homeowners' & Tenants' Association First Wednesday, 7 pm,
St. Mary's School, 15519 Holmes Ave.

E185 Street Block Watch
Second Tuesday, 6 pm, Lithuanian Village Hall, 877 E185 (rear entrance).

Nottingham Civic Club
Third Tuesday, 7 pm. Nottingham United Methodist Church, 18316 St Clair.

E156 Street Block Watch
Third Wednesday, 6 pm. M&M Bar-B-Que, 15116 Lakeshore Blvd at E152.

Northeast Shores Development Corp
NSDC holds its quarterly meetings, open to all, members and public, on the third Tuesday of January, April, July and October, at 6:30 pm, at our lovely new rec center. These meetings are well worth attending, all kinds of neighborhood-wide initiatives come up for discussion.

Collinwood/Nottingham Historical Society
Second Thursday of the month, St Mary's Church Hall, 15519 Holmes Avenue, beginning at 6:30 pm.

Councilmans Corner BE A CONCERNED CITIZEN

by Michael D. Polensek

Over the last month and a half a recurring theme I am hearing from neighborhood residents throughout the Northeast side, which includes the East Glenville area, is “where are the street repair crews and does the Public Works Department still have street sweepers?” Good question.

I, like you, am still searching for the mysterious “pothole killer” and at this point will take any street repair crew to address the street conditions on the northeast side of the City. In all my years in Public office I have never seen city streets in such poor condition. I am beginning to classify street sweepers in the “Urban Legend” category – in fact, I am expecting to have an encounter with Big Foot along Euclid Creek before I see a street sweeper on the northeast side.

If this wasn't so serious, and in the case with chuckholes, so dangerous, it would be laughable. However, when residents and motorists tear up their cars and do major damage – it isn't funny. The City Department of Public Works has really let our citizens down in a big way by not having a meaningful game plan in place to deal with the road conditions in light of the severe winter we had experienced.

Residents are fed up and don't want to hear about more tax dollars for the Cleveland Browns and million dollar chandeliers on Euclid Avenue. They, and I, expect a reasonable response to neighborhood quality of life issues. Quite frankly, it is not

Euclid Beach Blast & Waterloo Arts Fest Volunteer Ice Cream Social!

by Stephen Love

Calling all Euclid Beach Blast and Waterloo Arts Fest volunteers!

Find out how you can volunteer for two of North Collinwood's biggest and most awesome events of the summer! Whether you have volunteered for the Beach Blast or the Waterloo Arts Fest in the past or would like to get involved for the first time, we would love to have you help us make this year's events better than ever! And we'll even throw in some scoops of delicious ice cream!

So mark your calendars for the Blast-Fest Volunteer Ice Cream Social-Tuesday June 10th 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Euclid Beach Park picnic shelter (16301 Lakeshore Blvd. across the Collinwood Rec Center). We will review all of the fun and exciting ways to volunteer with this year's Beach Blast and Arts Fest including:

- Event Promotion
- Games and Workshops
- Setup
- Photography and Video
- Event Signage
- Take Down
- Volunteer Perks and Give Aways
- And Much More

Please consider RSVP'ing by attending the facebook event -<http://goo.gl/FhMiGE> or by contacting Stephen Love via email at euclidbeachblast@gmail.com or by phone at 216-571-0685

Hope to see you at Euclid Beach!

*And mark your calendars for the Waterloo Arts Fest on Saturday June 28th 11am-6pm and the Euclid Beach Blast-Saturday August 2nd 4:30pm-8:30pm!

happening and this is becoming more and more obvious each day.

What can we do? We need to let our voice to be heard. Call the Mayor's Action Center (216-664-2900) and let them know how you feel and let the Mayor's Office know (216-664-2220). As Councilman, as you should know, I have no control over the day-to-day operations of City Departments and Divisions; yet, I am bombarded daily by citizens who are absolutely right in their disgust over the lack of urgency and basic City service. If we are to stabilize and move our neighborhoods in a positive direction the City must be partner with us. Far too often we are seeing the City as an obstacle or roadblock to the delivery of basic and good city services.

This summer will be a real indicator, in my opinion, as to where we are headed in the various neighborhoods that make up our ward, the Greater Collinwood community and the City, as a whole. I urge all residents to continue to be the eyes and ears on your street and in your specific neighborhood.

Beach Blast at the Beachland Ballroom Lunch Fundraiser!

by Stephen Love

They say lunch should be your biggest meal of the day, followed by an afternoon nap. And on Saturdays from 12pm to 3pm, the Beachland Ballroom Tavern is the place to chow down and just chill out! The Beachland Ballroom has recently launched lunch to their growing food menu and hope to expand lunch hours throughout the week. You can check out their awesome lunch menu as well as their scrumptious Sunday Brunch offerings and dinner menu here - <http://www.beachlandballroom.com/menu.html>.

But save your lunch appetite for Saturday June 21st when the Beachland is serving up lunch for the Euclid Beach Blast - a community organized and supported evening of live music, art, sand castles, great food and great fun at Euclid Beach Park www.euclidbeachblast.com! Between 12 pm and 3 pm, stop in for lunch at the Beachland Tavern and just mention the Euclid Beach Blast and 15% of your bill will go towards supporting this summer's awesome event! What more could you ask for? Great food for a great cause! Tell your family, tell your friends, tell your bank teller and then tell

Bringing together a divided community.

by Donald Holcombe

In stronger communities, individuals feel less isolated, are more active in their community and have a greater sense of pride and place in their neighborhood. They are more empowered, lead local decision making and act together to lead sustainable lifestyles. How can we make our community ones? We have already begun this process with the help of our city leaders. In 2011, the Collinwood Recreational Center was introduced to Ward 11, which has been the major start of introducing two different generations to each other. Not only are their activities for the younger adults, but the elders of the community as well. What this does is allow both generations to come together under one roof without them realizing they are doing so. Now what we have to do is find a way to introduce both generations to each other. Fact is, with a com-

Everyone should have my dial-a-number card. Please report neighborhood concerns and problems whether it is high grass, vacant and unmaintained homes or public safety related concerns to the various City Departments and Divisions. In addition, please feel free to contact me at my office. I may be reached at (216) 664-4236 or via email at mpolensek@clevelandcitycouncil.org.

As concerned citizens we must set the standard and the tone for a viable community. If we are not engaged then the powers that be at City Hall or elsewhere will not hear us. We have come a long way with a whole host of projects and initiatives over these past two years.

We are on the brink of seeing major improvements to our lakefront and surrounding areas. The Cleveland Range project in Nottingham on St Clair is nearly complete and the Waterloo Streetscape Project is in the homestretch. The Lakeshore Boulevard Relief Sewer is ahead of schedule and the Community is poised for a good and active summer. With your help and support we will move Ward 8 in a continued positive direction.

them to come back for lunch at the Beachland every Saturday! And please be sure to thank Beachland Ballroom owner, Cindy Barber, for organizing this awesome fundraising idea.

And if you are looking for a way to work up your lunch appetite on June 21st, look no further than the Euclid Beach Adopt-a-Beach Team June beach cleanup from 10am to 12pm at Euclid Beach Park (16301 Lakeshore Blvd. across from the Collinwood Rec Center)! Volunteers will meet in the park picnic shelter at 10am and sign in, break up into teams and head down to the beach. Gloves, trash pickers, rakes and bags will be provided for beach cleanup volunteers, but feel free to bring your own if you prefer! You can RSVP to the Adopt-a-Beach beach cleanup on our facebook page: goo.gl/TNxlU7

For more information about the Beachland Lunch Fundraiser or Adopt-a-Beach cleanup, contact:

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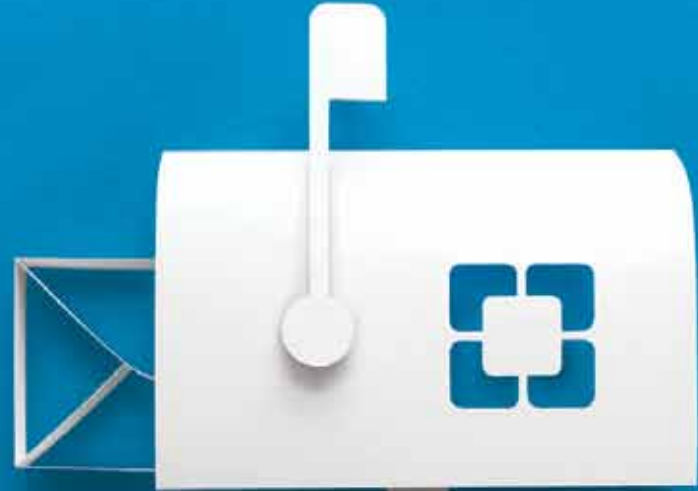
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Summer Reading



Frank Brancato on trial for the Porrello murders

by William McCulloch
As time and people pass, new publications are now coming out regarding Cleveland's and Collinwood's more infamous history. I picked up two recently published biographies which both touch on the neighborhood's most well known mobster, Danny Greene.
The first was "Feritto, An Assassin Scorned" regarding Ray Ferritto written by his widow, Susan DeSantis-Ferritto. Though out of Erie, Pennsylvania, he made many connections with Collinwood's transplanted criminal element while living in California, such as Jimmy "the Weasel" Fratianno, Julius Petro, Frank "Skinny" Velotta, Bob Walsh, and Phil Christopher.

Ferritto and Walsh would later be contracted and kill Petro in the parking lot of the Los Angeles airport in 1969. During the power struggle for control of the Cleveland mob in 1976, there would be 37 car bombing in Cuyahoga County. After several failed attempts to eliminate Danny Greene, it would be Fratianno who would recommend Ray for the hit to the then head of the Cleveland mafia, James Licavoli.
The second is "Brancato, Mafia Street Boss" written by his grandson Frank Monastra. Frank Brancato is acknowledged as responsible for a number of murders in Cleveland's corn sugar wars during Prohibition, including that of the Porrello brother's who then controlled the illegal liquor trade, on the behest of the Mayfield Road Mob's Frank Milano. Though John Scalish was head of Cleveland's mafia from 1944 until his death in 1976, Brancato was the one people would deal with directly on their behalf.
It was Brancato who took notice of Danny Greene in the clubs, and who recruited him as first a collector/enforcer, as the leader of Cleveland's Longshoreman's Union 1317, and later in the attempt to organize and control independent waste collectors.
"Feritto, An Assassin Scorned", by Susan DeSantis-Ferritto, 2012, Ragpaper Press
"Brancato, Mafia Street Boss", by Frank Monastra, 2013, Brighton Publishing LLC

Polka Mass and Collinwood Reunion SNPJ Farm, Sunday, June 22

by Joe Valencic
Celebrate the Polka Mass and your Collinwood roots at SNPJ Farm in Kirtland, Ohio, Sunday, June 2, 2014. Father George Balasko, the creator of the Polka Mass, comes to SNPJ Farm with the Wayne Tomsic Orchestra. After the Mass a Collinwood Reunion takes place with dining and dancing.
Did you grow up in Cleveland's Collinwood neighborhood? Were you a graduate of Villa Angela, St. Joe's or Collinwood High School? Did you enjoy Euclid Beach Park? Join your friends for a day of Collinwood memories, the Polka Mass, good food and music. Share your photos and stories, and catch up with classmates and neighbors.
The Polka Mass enhances the spiritual experience with familiar Slovenian and nationality polka and waltz melodies. It's a unique expression of faith, first created by Father Balasko in 1972. Sing-along sheets are available.
The Polka Mass begins promptly at 1:00 p.m., with dining from 2:00 on. A full menu of dinners and sandwiches await you. Choose from Slovenian smoked sausage, savory roast beef, or fried bologna sandwiches by Chef Dean. Fresh donuts will add sweetness to your special day.
Enjoy Cleveland-style music for dancing with the Wayne Tomsic Orchestra from 3:00 to 7:00. Wayne's lively polkas and smooth waltzes will take you back to the days of Frankie Yankovic's Collinwood supper club. Your hosts are the members and friends of Charter SNPJ Lodge 5, Naprej, many of them Collinwood residents past and present, are your hosts. For more information on Collinwood Day and the Polka Mass, contact Karen at (216) 481-1379.

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Cuyahoga Arts & Culture Now Accepting Applications for Funding in 2015

by Jennifer Schlosser
Grants Available for 501c3 Nonprofits Presenting Arts and Cultural Programming in Cuyahoga County

CLEVELAND (May 20, 2014) – Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC) encourages 501c3 nonprofit organizations offering arts and cultural programming in Cuyahoga County to apply for funding in 2015 through its General Operating Support or Project Support grant programs.
CAC is now accepting applications to the following grant programs:
General Operating Support provides two years of unrestricted, core support for Cuyahoga County-based 501c3 nonprofit organizations that have a primary mission of arts or culture. Grant size is determined by formula.
Project Support I offers grants of up to \$50,000 for 501c3 nonprofit organizations presenting arts or cultural projects in Cuyahoga County in 2015.
Project Support II offers grants of up to \$5,000 for 501c3 nonprofit organizations presenting arts or cultural projects in

Cuyahoga County in 2015.
The Eligibility Check, the first step in the application process, is due Wednesday, June 25, 2014 by 4:30 pm. If eligible, an organization may submit an application, which is due Thursday, August 28, 2014 by 4:30 pm. Organizations may only apply to one grant program.
"Since 2007, Cuyahoga Arts & Culture has invested \$112 million through nearly 1,000 grants to nonprofit organizations throughout Cuyahoga County, and we welcome organizations offering arts and culture programs to apply now for CAC grants in 2015," said Executive Director Karen Gahl-Mills. "Our county is fortunate to have this source of public funding for arts and culture, which strengthens our community by making it a better place to live, work and play."
Cuyahoga Arts & Culture defines arts and culture broadly to include natural history and natural science, in addition to traditional "arts and culture." To see a list of our current Cultural Partners – our grantees – visit <http://cacgrants.org/who-we-support.php>.

Informational workshops are being offered for applicants to both grant programs in the coming weeks. New applicants to the Project Support program are encouraged to attend one of three informational workshops on June 4, 10, or 12, and applicants to the General Operating Support program are welcome to attend a Kickoff Meeting and Workshop on May 29. Workshop details are below.
Additional information about CAC and its grant programs can be found online at www.cacgrants.org. Applicants may also contact Stacy Hoffman, Project Support program manager, at 216-515-8303 x101 or shoffman@cacgrants.org; or Jesse Hernandez, General Operating Support program manager, at 216-515-8303 x108 or jhernandez@cacgrants.org.
Grant Program Workshop Information
Project Support Informational Workshops are optional, but are a valuable learning opportunity for new applicants. The same content will be reviewed at all three sessions. Details and registration information is as follows:

Wednesday, June 4, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Trinity Commons
2230 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115
Register: <http://cac-informational-workshops.eventbrite.com>
Tuesday, June 10, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging
11890 Fairhill Road, Cleveland, OH 44120
Register: <http://cac-informational-workshops.eventbrite.com>
Thursday, June 12, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Beck Center for the Arts
17801 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, OH 44107
Register: <http://cac-informational-workshops.eventbrite.com>

All interested applicants are encouraged to attend the General Operating Support Kickoff Meeting and Workshop. Details and registration information is as follows:
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Salute SNPJ Farm's 75th with Joey Miskulin and Jeff Pecon, Sunday, July 6

by Joe Valencic
Summer Sunday dances at SNPJ Farm have been an area tradition since 1939. Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of SNPJ Farm at a special dinner and dance, Sunday, July 6, with the Jeff Pecon Orchestra and Nashville's Joey Miskulin of Riders in the Sky. The event also pays tribute to the late record producer Steve Popovich, who was a life-long fan of Cleveland-Style Polka music.
Families have enjoyed the finest in Slovenian-style entertainment for generations, ever since America's Polka King, Frank Yankovic, played for the first picnic in 1939. Frank's long-



Maxim's on the Move

by William McCulloch
Most will recall Maxim's Pizza & Delicatessen located at the corner of East 185th & Cornwall Road from 1949 till 2004, when they relocated to 7710 Lake Shore Blvd. in Mentor. Well they're on the move again, this time to 6966 Heisley Road in Mentor. The grand opening is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18th. Even though the founder and patriarch, Manny Berardinelli, Collinwood '39, retired this January at the young age of 93, his son Gene and wife Kathy continue to man the helm. The Maxim name was taken from brother/uncle Joey Berardinelli's fighting name of Joey Maxim, Light Heavyweight Champion of the World 1950 to 1952. Though the business has moved, you'll usually still catch the family in the neighborhood either at Holy Redeemer for mass or Gus's Diner on East 185th afterwards for breakfast.
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Pack a Picnic and Enjoy Live Music at Cleveland Metroparks New Concert Series 'Euclid Beach LIVE'

by Holly Keck
Friday nights come alive this summer at Cleveland Metroparks Euclid Beach Park with a new, free outdoor concert series, Euclid Beach LIVE. Listen to cool sounds from local R&B, jazz, blues and Motown bands on Friday evenings, June 13 through July 25, from 6 – 8 p.m. at Euclid Beach Park in Cleveland Metroparks Euclid Creek Reservation.
Come out and have a picnic on the beach while enjoying live music. Pack a dinner with all your favorite picnic foods or enjoy barbeque from the Cleveland Metroparks Double Eagle Café! Don't forget to bring lawn chairs or a blanket.
Find your perfect spot and get comfortable. Then sit back, relax after a long week and listen to the smooth sounds from these local bands:

June 13	Sweet Even
June 20	The Hesitations
June 27	147 Band

Bring your family, friends, neighbors, or co-workers to Euclid Beach LIVE and discover everything there is to see and do at Euclid Beach Park. There is a 650-foot beach, shaded picnic areas, a scenic observation pier and a reservable picnic pavilion. Once the site of the famous Euclid Beach Amusement Park which closed in 1969, the park is still home to a few remnants from the past.
Euclid Beach Park along with two other lakefront parks, Villa Angela and Wildwood, are part of Cleveland Metroparks Euclid Creek Reservation. Euclid Beach Park is located off Lake Shore Boulevard in Cleveland.
Visit clevelandmetroparks.com for the latest band schedule, driving directions and more information.

The City of Euclid Announces 2014 Summer Event Series

by Nicole Musgrave,
The City of Euclid is pleased to announce an unprecedented new summer event series, Summer at Sims. The events will be held at Sims Park, Euclid's Waterfront Park located at 23131 Lakeshore Boulevard.
Summer at Sims is a new, family-friendly event series presented by the City of Euclid. The events will take place on the park's Great Lawn and beaches adjacent to Henn Mansion and the recently expanded city fishing pier.
The series will feature the 3rd annual Wind, Water and Waves- Wind Fest. This year's Wind Fest is expected to be better than ever with tethered hot air balloon rides, helicopter rides, kite making stations, wind education, and much more. Guests can also enjoy great food, cold beverages and live music!
The events series at Sims Park also includes a new concert series- Music & Munchies in association with the Beachland Ballroom and Tavern. The 2014 Music & Munchies lineup includes polka, bossa nova, R&B and a little bit of rock and roll. Featuring live music, beach volleyball, food trucks and a beer garden we dare you not to have a good time!
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CNCM offers Summer Programs and Classes

by Sr. Mary Denis Maher
Cooking with Kids ages 8-12, painting and crocheting classes for adults, special sessions on bereavement and loss, making the changes you want in your life are among the classes on the summer schedule offered by the staff at the Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries house, 15706 St. Clair Ave.

In addition, a “Spa Day for your Face” with a Mary Kay Cosmetics representative will be scheduled and a Cancer Survivors’ Support Group will be initiated at the request of some of the neighbors. The year-round Doula Program for pregnant women, which provides support for doctor visits, labor and delivery, continues under the direction of Sr. Mary Ellen Brinovec, OSU.

Saturdays, June 21, July 26, and August 16, 10 am to 1 pm are the scheduled cooking classes and parents of the children are welcome. The painting classes will be held on Saturday, June 14 and 28 from 10 am to noon. Doug Rothschild and Bill Denihan, instructors. Nautica Pasley’s picture was chosen “painting of the month” by the Saturday art class.

Featured Property



by Margaret Craig
Your new home on Huntmere has been completely renovated. This home offers an open floor plan, with ample space to host an indoor or outdoor summer party. This home has been designed with efficiency in mind. That’s right, this house includes an energy efficient hot water tank and furnace, EnergyStar windows, low flush toilets, energy saving light fixtures, and new insulation. Did we mention that it has an Energy-Star microwave, dishwasher and a beverage cooler to make it accessible for your guests to help themselves to a cool drink.

But wait! There’s more! If hosting social gatherings is something you enjoy, then this is a house for you! This 1920s two-family home has been converted into a single family that offers a contemporary modern flair. On the first floor you will find a spacious living room, dining room and kitchen with Eucalyptus (grey) hardwood throughout. The kitchen offers a layout and décor that any host would be proud to show off. While people are gawking over your kitchen, others can converse in the dining room where there is more than enough room to enjoy hors d’oeuvres. Also on the first floor is the mud/laundry room and a first floor bedroom with its own full bath-sure beats a couch should some of your guests need to spend the night. After your guests have left or fallen asleep in the guest room, head upstairs to your master bedroom where a full bath awaits you. In the morning, head up to your studio and study area to read a good book or put the finishing touches on the art piece you need to complete in time for the Waterloo Arts Festival. Best of all, you don’t even need to travel to the first floor to clean your paint brushes, a slop sink near the studio has you covered.

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- 15812 Huntmere, Cleveland, Ohio 44110
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If you would like to tour your new home, please contact Camille Maxwell, Assistant Director at (216) 481-7660 ext. 30 or via email: cmaxwell@northeastshores

Raise Funds for The LaSalle

by Margaret Craig
Brick and Light Bulb Fundraiser
Renovation of the LaSalle Theater is picking up speed and we want you to be a part of bringing back this historic and beloved 185th Street landmark! How can you help? Northeast Shores is selling brick pavers for \$150.00/each. Everyone who walks through the doors of the new theater will see the pavers, which will act as a ‘red carpet’ to the grand entryway. Whether you are part of a business, a local resident, or simply an enthusiast for the community...you can help pave the way to the completion of our theater’s return. Light bulbs are also available for purchase for \$20/each. After all, what’s a theater without a well-lit grand marquee luring you to the show? If you would like to purchase a brick, a light, or both, email Carly Marginian at cmarginian@northeastshores.org and she will send you an order form.

ActiVacant is coming to East 185th Street

by Margaret Craig
What is ActiVacant you might ask? Well, ActiVacant is an innovative business development initiative designed to launch five new businesses during the fall of 2014. ActiVacant will help small businesses free up capital so they can focus on the important stuff, like the day-to-day operations of running a business.

ActiVacant is more than your typical business incubator. These businesses are encouraged to work together, getting them over the humps. Positive promotions and P.R. are important to drive business. Because of this, ActiVators are encouraged to cross promote their businesses. They will also participate in an online documentary series that will be shown in six installments over the course of the three year program.


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VASJ students help revitalize E. 185th Street

It was announced in March that an \$88,000 grant was awarded for the revitalization of East 185th Street. A group of nine VASJ seniors had the unique opportunity to conduct research and make recommendations for the project.

The students in the Functions and Statistics class taught by Mr. Gary Minadeo '74 partnered with Cleveland State University's College of Urban Affairs for their senior project – research in support of the redevelopment of East 185th Street.

Throughout the semester, the students conducted surveys of the street to collect analytical data to be used to offer recommendations to the Northeast Shores Development Corp. for ways to use the grant to improve the street.

"The students really impressed me with the way they took ownership of the project," said Minadeo. "They started to see it as 'their project' and 'their street.'"

Project Manager Warren Hudson '14 agreed.

"This was more than just a



VASJ students involved in the East 185th street project smile for a picture with their moderators, Mr. Gary Minadeo '74 of VASJ and Dr. Yin of CSU, after the presentation.

project," he said during the final presentation to representatives of Northeast Shores, the City of Euclid, the City of Cleveland and other interested parties. "It is our home and where we grew up."

The students addressed issues of sidewalk quality and width for walkers, safety of street crossings, landscaping, consistency of building canopies, parking concerns, and even the need for a common gathering place for members

of the community to come together.

"The VASJ students really went toe-to-toe with the college students," said Dr. Jordan Yin, faculty member of the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University and director of undergraduate programs.

The students gave an impressive presentation of their research findings and recommendations and represented themselves and the school very well

among the college students.

"The work you did will see some real results," VASJ President Richard Osborne '69 told the students. "You are providing the foundation for some serious action."

Also in attendance for the presentation was Dr. Edward Hill, dean of the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at CSU.

"This could be the best class gift you have ever given to VASJ and for that I thank you very much," said Hill.

Representatives from the City of Euclid and the City of Cleveland felt the research recommendations had a lot of potential and both planned to bring the information to future meetings and planning discussions.

"They want to see things happen around here for the good of all people," said VASJ's Minadeo, chair of the math department.

Minadeo is committed to making sure the project doesn't lose momentum and is already exploring ways he can work the redevelopment of East 185th Street into next year's curriculum.

VASJ robotics team places fifth in RoboBots Competition

The VASJ Robotics Team tied for fifth place out of 31 teams and won the sportsmanship award at the RoboBots Competition held at Lakeland Community College at the end of April.

VASJ's robot was sponsored by Lincoln Electric and built and operated by the team comprised of Casey Timko '14, Ed Beuck '14, Nick Uitenham '14, Alex Vertosnik '16, Louis Vertosnik '16 and John Allen '17 and coached by Mr. Chuck Martinko.

"It was just fun," says Martinko. "It was the neatest competition that we

have ever been a part of."

More than just fun, though, the competition was hard work, too. Teams had exactly 30 minutes between battles to take apart and repair their robots before the next competition.

When one of the teams preparing to battle VASJ didn't have their robot ready after the 30 minutes, VASJ's team chose to donate ten minutes of their time to the opposing team. This great example of the Viking spirit is what won VASJ's robotics team the sportsmanship award.



Members of VASJ's robotics team participate in the RoboBots Competition at Lakeland Community College where they tied for fifth place out of 31 teams.

VASJ, Northeast Shores Development Corporation and Hermes Road Racing are excited to announce the Third Annual Escape on the Lake 5k run and 1-mile walk on Saturday, July 12, 2014.

The race will start and finish at VASJ. All pre-registrants will receive a t-shirt.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m.
The 5k run/1-mile walk will begin at 9 a.m.

Pre-Registration Entry Fee (before July 9) - \$18

Race Day Entry Fee - \$23

More information can be found on the VASJ website at www.vasj.com/escape-on-the-lake



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VASJ senior athletes sign to play sports in college

For two VASJ seniors, the dream of continuing their athletic careers in college became a reality at a ceremony held at the school on May 14 when both athletes signed letters of intent.

Danielle Hicks said to herself a long time ago that a Division I college scholarship was something she wanted to achieve.

Mission accomplished for the talented volleyball player who earned the North Coast League Player of the Year award and All-Ohio honorable mention honors.

Hicks signed her national letter of intent to play volleyball at Eastern Kentucky.

"I saw something special in her that I saw on Day 1, and I am sure she will live up to all the values she has learned here at VASJ and I can't wait to see her on the college court," VASJ Coach Mark Royer '75 said.

Hicks led the Vikings to a Division IV state runner-up finish in 2013.

Former VASJ standout Liz Guard '02 – now Liz Sellers – is an Eastern Kentucky University All-American who returned to her alma mater as the assistant volleyball coach in August

VASJ senior earns Eagle Scout ranking

VASJ senior Connor Gail has always known he wanted to become an Eagle Scout.

"It's the top honor and my dad has always pushed me to achieve it," Gail says. "Even when I started losing focus because of sports and school, he was there to keep pushing me."

There were times when school and sports made life extremely busy for Gail and he questioned whether earning this highest ranking was a possibility, especially toward the end.

"I thought school was going to get too busy and I thought it was impossible," he says. "I was pretty stressed the week before my 18th birthday because you have to turn everything in before then."

Gail turned in his Eagle Scout packet exactly three days before his 18th birthday, in the middle of his senior soccer season and while taking Advanced Placement courses at VASJ.

"It was a pretty busy time but I didn't want to disappoint my dad by



VASJ seniors Danielle Hicks and Tyler Cruickshank pose with their mothers after signing letters of intent to continue their athletic careers in college.

2010. Sellers led the Colonels to back-to-back Ohio Valley Conference regular season championships in 2004 and 2005. She helped the team advance to the NCAA tournament in 2004 and garnered honorable mention All-America honors as a senior in 2005.

Sellers is now an assistant coach at ECU and that certainly added to the allure of committing to the program.

"I loved Eastern Kentucky. The whole aura of everything, the girls and the team when I met them, I connected ... and the fact that Liz went to the same high school, it gave me something to look up to and it added to it," Hicks said.

"All the hard work and practices have paid off."

Hicks said she plans on studying exercise science.

Senior Tyler Cruickshank has been playing football since he was 6 years old and he always thought he would play college football.

The dream has become a reality. Cruickshank signed a national letter of intent to continue his career at Division II Urbana on May 14.

A talented defensive back and wide receiver, Cruickshank had interest from Malone, Walsh and Mount Union as well, but made a decision he is very comfortable with.

"It came down to playing time. They needed DBs and it was a good fit for me," Cruickshank said.

"This is my passion. This is what I wanted to do my whole life."



Connor Gail '14 (left) poses with his brother, Dan '16, at a special ceremony in May where he received his Eagle Scout ranking.

coming this far and not doing it.

At a special ceremony held in May, Gail was named an Eagle Scout before his fellow scouts, friends and family, including his dad.

"My dad gave a little speech about me becoming an Eagle and it was special," he says. "Everyone was so

proud that I did it and I was proud, too."

Gail, who is also a member of VASJ's National Honor Society, graduated at the end of May with the Class of 2014 and will go on to Keuka College in New York where he plans to play volleyball.

Viking Views



by Richard Osborne

I was mentioning to a friend the other day that one of the many great things about working in the education field is that every year there is a period at the end of the sentence.

In most occupations, each day and each project folds seamlessly into the next. In education, on the other hand, each year we have the enormous satisfaction of graduation as one class successfully completes its high school journey.

Having said all that, it would be incorrect to call the Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School Class of 2014 a period at the end of the sentence. This class is much more like an exclamation point.

For the third year in a row, for example, 100 percent of our graduates are headed to college! And they do so not only with the strong academic and leadership skills they gained at VASJ, but also with ample funding. Taking into account the entire class, the average scholarship funds earned by each graduate is more than \$121,600!

Most important, of course, is not what the graduates achieved in the way of funds but what they achieved in the way of values.

Like those before them, our newest alums take the next steps on their educational and life journeys equipped with the values and the confidence that come with a VASJ education.

Each VASJ diploma is not only a statement that the graduate has met stringent academic standards, but that he or she understands the true meaning of success.

Whatever professional field they pursue, we expect all of our graduates to act as role models in their personal and professional lives. Maybe that explains why so many of our students today are the brothers and sisters and children or grandchildren of graduates from the past. Our alums want to extend the gift of their own education to the members of their families.

At this time next year, we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the merger of Villa Angela Academy and St. Joseph High School. But we certainly need not wait until then to talk about legacy. The legacy of VASJ is personified in the members of the Class of 2014.

We could not be more proud! Needless to say, the exclamation point was very much intended.

Richard Osborne '69 is president of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School.

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Not Fantasy, But Poetry!

It seemed like a dream as I stood at the classroom door on Tuesday, May 20th. I was watching and listening to our 8th graders talking with Cleveland Indians pitcher Josh Tomlin. The dream shaded into fantasy as I looked down the hall to see Slider, the Indians mascot, slipping into the occasion. But it was neither a dream nor fantasy, but rather poetry that brought them to Our Lady of the Lake School. Joey Muzina, an eighth grader, won a poetry contest sponsored by the Cleveland Plain Dealer and the prize was a visit from one of the Cleveland Indians. Slider was a bonus! Thanks to Joey for his poetry, to the Indians for the visit and to Slider for the photo. (By the way, who is that guy with him anyway?)



"Who is that guy with Slider??!"



Wrapping Up a Great Year at Our Lady of the Lake School

It has been a great year for the students and families of Our Lady of the Lake School. We saw lots of great new changes this year: we welcomed our new Principal, Rita Kingsbury; we took our first trip to Washington, DC; and we introduced iPads into our classrooms. We had visits from Senator Voinovich and the Cleveland Indians! And we also saw lots of favorite traditions grow even stronger: our annual play was bigger and better than ever; we enjoyed producing art exhibits and concerts and taking field trips; we had a slew of great PTO events, from dances to movie nights and more; and our Life on the Lake fundraiser was a huge success in its new location.

We couldn't end the year without thanking all the wonderful people who come

together to make all this possible, and to give our kids the best educational experience. From our dedicated teachers to our active, engaged families and the parish that supports us - we know how lucky we are to have this school, in this community.

As we look toward to next year, we're excited to be planning lots more "firsts": a new preschool program, school renovations, an expanded 7th grade, Spanish language instruction, new advanced classes and enrichment opportunities, more technology in the classrooms -- there's so much to look forward to. We hope everyone enjoys a well-earned summer break, and while the kids are away we'll be hard at work getting great programs ready for next year!



Stroll Fest Was a Hit!



Every year we enjoy participating in the E. 200th Street Stroll. It's a great way to get to know new neighbors and spend fun time together in the neighborhood. This year we enjoyed it even more at Our Lady of the Lake, as we expanded our Stroll Fest to offer a slew of fun, free entertainment for the community. With face painting, a balloon clown, games and prizes, arts and crafts, giveaways and free cotton candy, popcorn



and popsicles, there was something fun for all ages. Add great live music and rides in the rocket car, plus a beautiful sunny day and we had the perfect event to help us launch the summer. Thanks to all the friends and neighbors who came out to enjoy a beautiful Saturday of fun and friendship. We hope to see lots more of you this summer! See lots more photos of this year's Stroll on our facebook page at Our Lady of the Lake.

Bike Rodeo Gets Riders Ready for Summer

Our Lady of the Lake's first through fifth graders enjoyed the annual bike rodeo, a way to kick off summer with safe bike riding. The students rode through obstacle courses that required them to practice maneuverability, hand signals for turning, and stopping. The event reinforced the need to wear bike helmets and ride a bicycle in good working condition. The eighth graders played a key role by volunteering and assisting younger students. As school lets out, we hope everyone will be careful when they share the road!





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Focus on Life-long Learning

by Dr. Peter Whitehouse

From its inception The Intergenerational School has focused on life-long learning. Although as public charter schools the principal focus of the three intergenerational schools is the education of children, we have created rich learning opportunities for adults of all ages. Many of our signature programs feature elders but we also include younger adults such as undergraduates and professional students from Case Western Reserve University as well as various other colleges and universities.

Our children interact with elders from the community as well as those living in residential facilities. Our signature program involves our Reading Mentors. Older adults share

reading and storytelling paired with children one-on-one from the same classroom. This allows building relationships and mutual appreciation over long periods of time. Other intergenerational programs include working with computers, music, arts, and gardens. We emphasize learning experiences ideally with service components that are engaging for learners of all ages.

For almost our entire existence we have had groups of nursing students conduct their service learning projects in the school. We focus on interdisciplinary and interprofessional learning whenever we can. We use a variety of information technology approaches from virtual reality, to games, the use of broad band, and the Microsoft Kinect

to foster physical movement. A major focus of our intergenerational programs is the environment and includes working with local nature centers and gardens. We include older adults with mild to moderate cognitive challenges like recent memory loss. Our published research demonstrates the value of learning experiences in our school for these older adults who keep their own minds active and also contribute to their community in this way. Ultimately though, our schools celebrate not the individual value of intergenerational experiences to people of different ages but the power of bringing the life experiences of multiple generations together in service of human flourishing for the long-term.

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Honors Academy

by Darlene Jeter
At New Day Academy, we are dedicated to building leaders. We value teaching young men and women how to be upstanding citizens in school, home and community. As part of our mission to help students excel academically, an Honors Academy has been launched for the 2014-2015 school year. Honors Academy at New Day (HAND) is an honors program designed to expose, enrich, challenge and reward exceptional and gifted students. Students will receive a more rigorous curriculum than a college-preparatory curriculum, have an opportunity to



Young Adult Academy

by Darlene Jeter
Although the school year has ended, New Day Academy is continuing to work with Cleveland-area youth to prepare them for success. Any students in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades will have an opportunity to participate in a FREE two-week learning and character development outreach program from July 14-25. The program will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Area students will have an opportunity to participate in learning experiences and workshops on topics, such as social media etiquette, bullying, teen violence,

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exercising, nutrition, health and reading. A career-exploration presentation also will be provided. The young adults will have a chance to use team-building skills and showcase what they have learned through a talent of their choice on the last day. Other rewards will be made available to students who successfully complete the program. To enroll, call New Day Academy at 216.797.1602 or 216.849.0974. Space is limited.

Muffins For Moms

by Darlene Jeter
New Day Academy celebrated mothers by hosting a Muffins for Moms event in May. The event was part of New Day Academy's



A New Day in Kindergarten



by Darlene Jeter
An exciting initiative for Kindergarten readiness was launched in May to allow area preschoolers an opportunity to visit New Day Academy for a few hours. About 100 preschoolers from Love-N-Care Daycare and Preschool, First Fruits Child Care Center and Adorable Angels Academy visited the Kindergarten classroom for two hours in an effort to help ease the anxiety of attending Kindergarten. Other goals of the initiative are to expose area preschoolers to a true Kindergarten learning experience in a typical classroom setting and create excitement and enthusiasm about going to Kindergarten. Ms. Mary Colan, New Day's Kindergarten teacher, provided a learning experience that included touring the building, storytelling, identifying colors and counting. Colan, who has worked several years as a teacher, tutor and literacy coach, was excited to have an opportunity to welcome the preschoolers to her class. She said she treated them just like her very own students. "I try to instill in my students a never-give-up attitude so they can have the strength, stamina and resilience that they will need, not only in school and in learning how to read, but also for the rest of their lives," said Colan.

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Job corp students green it up

by Caitlyn Neely
On May 3rd, Job Corp students joined forces at the Green It Up event in the Central Neighborhood. Burten, Bell, Carr Development Inc. and the Western Reserve Land Conservancy teamed up to co-pilot a tree planting in one of the neighborhoods that Burten, Bell, Carr Development, Inc. has worked to develop. One of the pieces missing in the design aspect of the neighborhood were street trees. These trees not only help to beautify the area, but also help to deter crime and lower household energy bills. Keep Ohio Beautiful received a grant to plant the trees within the neighborhood to fix this issue, with the project moving forward through the approval of the Department of Agriculture Forest Service. The trees were obtained from Davey Tree Resource Group, who not only helped to plant the trees, but to also teach others the proper way to plant trees and how to care for them. To top off the newly

CMSD seeks comments on building proposals

by Thomas Ott
Options that the Cleveland Metropolitan School District has proposed for District buildings would preserve schools in the Collinwood neighborhood and perhaps replace one with new construction. CMSD is holding a series of open houses to answer questions and field comments on possible scenarios for construction, renovation and maintenance. The schedule includes a session that will run from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 18 at Collinwood High School. The proposals call for maintaining Ginn Academy and Kenneth W. Clement Boys' Leadership Academy and possibly building a 350-seat replacement for O.H. Perry School. The document also proposes continuing to operate four schools -- East Clark, Euclid Park, Hannah Gibbons STEM and Memorial -- built since 2005. Collinwood High School would stay open, and the district would try to boost enrollment. The proposals point to potential for increasing the number of high-performing programs in the school

and suggest discussing how parts of the building may be used for neighborhood development. The District is trying to maximize efficiency, save on operating expenses and respond to declining enrollment while also ensuring quality school options in every neighborhood -- a promise central to The Cleveland Plan, a blueprint for reform. The open houses will help finalize a five-year plan that the Board of Education could vote on June 24. The plan, which is subject to approval by the Board of Education, would complete a building program that the state and CMSD began more than a decade ago. To pay for new projects, the Board would, in effect, ask voters to extend property-tax payments they agreed to when they passed Issue 14 in 2001. The board would have until Aug. 6 to place a tax issue on the November ballot. Thomas Ott is director of the CMSD News Bureau.

Job corps assists at pancake breakfast

Job Corp Ambassadors assisted at the Fifth District Police Community Relations Committee Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 24, 2014. Patrol Officer Anita Howard stated, "Our partnership with the Cleveland Job Corps is invaluable. The ambassadors are great citizens and are always cordial and helpful young people. The seniors at our events are always pleased to see them. One of the goals of the Fifth District Police Community Relations Committee is to foster a positive relationship among police and the residents of the City of Cleveland. We accomplish this through programs and events where the Fifth District Police can gain moments to interact in a positive manner with the youth and adults in our community. These events and activities require help from our citizens and community partners The Cleveland Job Corps."

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their excitement is palpable." Whitehead continued. Rowing, often perceived as prohibitively expensive due to the nature of the equipment and infrastructure, is made accessible through CMSD Rows to low-income students. CMSD Rows enables students in Cleveland to participate free of charge, provided they meet certain criteria. In addition, the program provides SAT and ACT prep as well as tutoring. Additionally, the program staff facilitates career and college guidance alongside a summertime job and internship placement program. NCAA women's collegiate rowing hosts 20 full scholarships per academic institution, the most of any women's sport. CMSD Rows is positioning students regularly to take advantage of the ample opportunities to earn those scholarships, both athletically and academically. In terms of structure, CMSD Rows is unique in that it mixes student groups from across the Greater Cleveland area. "Urban and suburban kids are working together, on the same team, in the same boat - day in and day out," said Jon Adams, board member CMSD Rows and Cleveland-based entrepreneur. "What other organization even comes close to doing that so holistically?" Adams said. CMSD Rows has the opportunity of being awarded a total of \$76,322 by reaching its fundraising goal of \$38,166 no later than Friday, May 23rd. Donations of any amount are encouraged and accepted by going to: www.sportsmatter.com/move-as-one-rowing-for-cleveland-s-youth. More information about CMSD Rows, its participants, and the Sports Matter program at www.cmsdrows.org. About CMSD Rows CMSD Rows is a program of the Cleveland Rowing Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. CMSD Rows seeks to empower Cleveland's students through physical fitness, personal growth, and educational success. The vision of CMSD Rows is a growing community of CMSD graduates with the skills, confidence, and motivation to succeed, on and off the water. More information can be found at www.cmsdrows.org.

Library

What’s Happening at the Collinwood Library

by *Natasha Wells*
Expand your summertime reading fun with exciting weekly missions at the Collinwood Branch Library. Earn cool super sleuth gear! Please contact the branch for more information and to register for the Summer Reading Club.

Tuesdays, June 10th through July 29th 1:30 p.m.
Week 1 (June 9 – 14) Roll Call
Calling all junior detectives-in-training: report to your neighborhood library. Create your own detective hat and earn your junior detective badge. Your mission? Summer fun!
Week 2 (June 16 – 21) What Lies Beneath?
Junior sleuths: join us for an hour of mystery fun and suspense. Will you be the first to track down all the clues and guess what lies beneath the mystery box? All super sleuths earn a special field notebook to use in future investigations!
Week 3 (June 23 – 28) I Spy!
I spy with my little eye ten items in the library. Can you spot ten items and write your own rap lyrics or poem to share your spy skills? Complete this mission and earn your super spy magnifying glass!
Week 4 (June 30 – July 5) Forensics Fun
Learn about the ways forensic science is used

to solve crimes. Explore the amazing science behind fingerprinting, reading tooth impressions and professional handwriting analysis and earn your super sleuth ink pad.
Week 5 (July 7 – 12) Hidden in Plain Sight
Look carefully and you'll discover hidden clues and mysteries right in front of your eyes! Learn about invisible ink, the secrets of the dollar bill and the mysteries of mirror writing and earn a secret decoder pen.
Week 6 (July 14 – 19) Hidden in my 'hood
Every neighborhood hides hidden treasures and geographic gems. Hidden treasures are waiting for you to discover them right around the corner or at your neighborhood library. Pick up your scavenger hunt list at your library. You'll earn your own secret spy flashlight when you track down all the items on the list.
Week 7 (July 21 – 26) Mystery Maker
Create your own mystery book and challenge your family and friends to guess what's inside. Earn a pair of secret spy sunglasses when your book is finished.
Week 8 (July 28 – August 2) Case Closed
You made it! Celebrate your great detective achievements on family fun day! Pick up your official detective bag and enjoy popcorn and a mystery movie!

Greenberg Wins Hugh Durbin Scholarship for Library Leadership

by *INFOHIO*
The INFOhio Governing Advisory Board is pleased to announce that Gail Greenberg, library media specialist at Collinwood High School, is the winner of the INFOhio 2014 Hugh Durbin Scholarship. To be considered for this award, Greenberg had to be selected to participate in this year's Library Leadership Ohio Institute, a 3-day program held in July that cultivates the leaders who will guide Ohio libraries into the twenty-first century. The Hugh Durbin Scholarship pays her tuition for the program.

"I am elated and truly honored," said Greenberg. "It's nice to be recognized for doing something I believe in."

A literacy advocate, Greenberg has served at-risk youth in PreK-12. Her research into the effect of collaboration between librarians and teachers on literacy in urban elementary schools led to Cleveland schools receiving a U.S. Department of Education Improving Literacy Through School Libraries grant. She has twice received the Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries Grant on behalf of Cleveland schools. Her interest and concern for serving multicultural students resulted in her being selected as one of 15 people in the country to travel to Mexico and Peru for a five-week long Fulbright-Hays Summer Seminar. In addition, she generously shares what she's learned with colleagues through

professional development workshops and seminars.

"Hugh Durbin left us much too early due to illness," said INFOhio Executive Director Theresa M. Fredericka. "We are fortunate to have people like Gail who can continue his work."

Hugh Durbin, the Director of Library Media Services for the Columbus Public Schools for 19 years, spent his career providing quality library media programs and resources to everyone from preschoolers to incarcerated adults. He supported the professional growth of his colleagues through his leadership in the Ohio Educational Library Media Association (OELMA) and by tirelessly advocating for school library media programs in numerous articles and presentations.

INFOhio, Ohio's PreK-12 Digital Library, started in 1989 as a small group of like-minded school librarians looking for a way to cost effectively provide library software to schools. The group computerized its first two libraries in 1994. Today, INFOhio provides software and support to 80 percent of school districts—1.2 million students—and is one of the country's largest library and information networks. INFOhio expanded its services to include providing a collection of online research databases to all preK-12 students and their families as well as classroom information technology support to educators.

GED Classes at the Memorial Nottingham Library

by *Jeanne Coppola*
GED Classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:15am. GED classes will be taught at the library every Tuesday and Thursday, through a partnership with Tri-C. The classes are free,

but registration is required. Call the Memorial-Nottingham Library at 216-623-7039 to register. You will need to attend an orientation before taking classes.

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Arts

YARN n YOGA celebrates, remembers Euclid Beach Pier



YARN n YOGA is a free event open to the community on Friday, July 25th from 6-9pm at Euclid Beach Park.



The Euclid Beach Pier is a historic piece of infrastructure that will be missed by the community. Say farewell to YARN n YOGA.

“Tranquility Amidst Urban Geometry” by artist Diane Collins

by *Laureen Deveney*
A new ART Gallery is slated To open in Collinwood. Satellite Gallery an east side art installation space, owned by Loren Naji, will host it's inaugural exhibit on Friday June 6th from 6:00 until 10:00 pm. Invited artists have selected rooms in which they will build their “installations”. The gallery is located at 442 East 156th Street. One of the guest artists, Diane Collins, is constructing her piece on the back porch.

She has entitled it “Tranquility Amidst Urban Geometry”. Collins has invited Euclid artist, Laureen Deveney, to collaborate and integrate work into the finished composition. Collins' daughter, Amelia, age 18, will also contribute, making this her debut into the Cleveland art scene.

An Urban Forest Floor by Diane Collins arrives @ Satellite Gallery for installation

Silhouette Productions Announces Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof

by *Charlotte Mirabile*
It's a Family Affair. Come One, Come All. Many roles for all ages.

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Guerilla Haiku Hits Cleveland

by *Monique Christian-Long*
Haiku Free-For-All

Make your mark with our Guerilla Haiku team as we enthusiastically engage all library-goers in haikuing (in sidewalk chalk) around the library entrance. Soon, the entrance will be deco-

rated in the words of its community: the funny, the fierce and the fabulous. All haiku will be documented with digital images and shared on social media! Go haiku! Thursday, June 12th from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Collinwood Library Branch

by *Allison Lukacsy*
And another one bites the dust.

Since 1895 the Euclid Beach Pier has withstood the wrath of Lake Erie in Cleveland's North Collinwood neighborhood, but this Fall the wrath of the wrecking ball it shall meet.

Cleveland Metroparks has great plans for the lakefront property, including a new and improved fishing pier, but for those who lived and loved on this historic pier - especially in the heyday of the amusement park - this is a major loss.

Bid farewell to the century old Euclid Beach Pier on Friday, July 25th from 6-9pm during Cleveland's first large-scale yarn storm and free sunset yoga and meditation session on the beach led by Blissful Cleveland.

YARN n YOGA is a community-made, community-installed, and community-supported public art project organized by North Shore Collinwood resident, Ali Lukacsy. For those not familiar, yarn bombing is a fun, bright, beautiful way to celebrate public space. Unlike graffiti, yarn bombing is done without any damage to historic structures or the natural landscape, is temporary, and easily removable.

Thanks to the generous support of the Cleveland Metroparks, Cleveland Lakefront Conservancy, Waterloo Arts, Praxis Fiber Workshop, and our event partner, the Euclid Beach Blast, we are able to offer this free event to everyone and anyone interested in taking part in the process of saying goodbye.

Here is how you can get involved:
DONATE: Visit Kickstarter where we are raising funds through July 1, 2014 to support 26 community artists who are creating beautiful knit installations for the pier. A pledge of \$1 makes a difference, with incentive levels beginning at \$13. www.kickstarter.com/projects/1561180159/yarn-n-yoga

PARTICIPATE: No knitting or crocheting skill will be necessary to yarn storm or practice the free vinyasa flow and meditation at sunset on July 25th. Bring a yoga mat and/or towel and a story or memory of the pier to share with Euclid Beach Park Now.

The yarn storm installation will continue during the Euclid Beach Blast! (Saturday, August 2nd, 4:30-8:30pm) and will be on view through August 7th when the knit panels will be relocated to be included in an exhibition, YARN n YEARS - a Collinwood Rising Vibrancy Grant Project supported by Northeast Shores, The Kresge Foundation, and Cuyahoga Arts & Culture - to open in the Waterloo Arts District on October 3rd.

YARN n YOGA on Friday, July 25th from 6-9pm may be the last and best memory of the Euclid Beach Pier, so please do help us make it great!

Together we can knit strong, vibrant communities!

Jewelry Making Class was Lots of Fun

by *Jeanne Coppola*
The Memorial-Nottingham Library took their a jewelry making class to the Salvation Army last month, and 45 kids had fun making necklaces and bracelets as gifts for their moms on Mother's Day.

The children were participants in the Learning Zone after school program at the Salvation Army, which provides educational and recreational activities to broaden their horizons while enhancing their capabilities and self-esteem.

Ms. Jameson, a local jewelry artist, gave each child a packet of beads in different colors, sizes and shapes, and showed them how to string the beads onto cords and mix big beads with smaller beads of silver and gold for a nice design. Kids exchanged beads, and created original necklaces and bracelets with amazing color combinations of red, blue, tan, gold, and silver.

It was a fun project that enhanced all the kids creativity, on one of the first sunny days of spring.

For information on upcoming youth events at the Library, call librarian Alfonso Daniels at 216-623-7039.

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Back Cover

Cats Indoors: Better For Cats, Better For Birds, Better For People



by William J. Sanek

I applaud the efforts of concerned citizens working to reduce cat overpopulation, but feel that the Trap/Neuter/Re-Abandon (TNR) program does not resolve all of the problems associated with stray and feral cats.

Cat overpopulation is a human-caused tragedy that affects the health and well-being of cats, our native wildlife and the public. Outdoor cats, even well-fed ones, kill hundreds of millions of wild birds and other animals each year in the U.S., including endangered species. Birds that nest or feed on the ground are especially vulnerable to cat attacks. I painfully watch them ambush and kill native species in my yard, including goldfinches. I try to attract native birds and wildlife to my yard as sanctuary for them. TNR is not humane to cats or wildlife. Free-roaming cats are in constant danger of being hit by cars, contracting diseases and parasites, or being attacked by other animals or people. Cats can transmit diseases to humans such as rabies, toxoplasmosis (an infection from cats that makes pregnant women have dead

babies or birth defects - affects first trimester), and cat scratch fever. In the U.S., cats are the top carrier of rabies in domestic animals. Trap/Neuter/Re-Abandon is also ineffective at reducing cat populations because not all of the cats can be trapped and spay/neutered, and food left out for them attracts more cats. Colonies develop and become dumping grounds for unwanted pets, thus continuing the inhumane cycle. In addition, the food also attracts rats, carriers of diseases such as rabies which can be transmitted to humans. People concerned about the welfare of feral cats should work to find homes for them, and help EDUCATE pet owners about spaying and neutering their pets, KEEPING THEIR CATS INDOORS, and the ethical and wildlife issues associated with cat abandonment. Abandoning cats is illegal in many areas, and it is extremely cruel to cats, AND TO BIRDS. All cats should wear bells to warn any of their unwary prey.

by William J. Sanek,
sixty year resident of North Collinwood

June Word Search

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