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# **Beachland Hair Designs Shop Small Saturday Open House Event**



Senator George Voinovich and Wife Janet

by Susan Brandt

The 6th Annual Beachland Hair Design, Shop Small Saturday Event, garnered not only interesting guest and, prizes, but a great time had by all!

The event ,all toll, raised a little over \$1,000, and over 200 lbs of food ,donated to, The Greater Cleveland Food Bank. Our 50/50 winner claimed she would be donating her winnings back to the food bank and the other half went to Midwest Veterinary Hospital's Helping Hands organization.

With a basket raffle ,50/50, donations, and games all day long, Not only did the The Greater Cleveland Food Bank benifit from



Kelly Marlier from 107.3 the Wave

this event, so did the winners, losers, and neighborhood guest.

Thanks to the kind donations by Cebars Euclid Tavern, Cavottas Garden Center, 107.3 The Wave's Kelly Marlier, Debbie Miller, Blue Breeze, Drues Place, and Martin's Mens Wear

Most if not all were local stand outs. American Express donates marketing material every year, simply by signing up easily on the web site.

Held every year, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, with a little luck maybe next year you can be a winner.

# Frank Barresi: 2016 Lifetime Achievement Award

by Carly Marginian

Congratulations to Frank Barresi, who received the 2016 Lifetime Achievement Award from Northeast Shores Development Corporation. Barresi has served over 20 years on the Board and Northeast Shores thanks him for his endless dedication to making Collinwood a better place to live, work, and visit.

Councilman Polensek presents Frank with his award



# Mother Raphael as a Pioneer



byHeidi Shenk

In late April of 2015, Mother Mary Raphael Gregg was awarded the Ohio Health Care Association Pioneer Award. This award is designed to honor a commitment to excellence in long-term care services, and to recognize Ohioans who are influential in the development and advancement of long-term care programs. Mother M. Raphael earned this award through her lifetime commitment and dedication to Euclid's

Mount St. Joseph Rehab Center on Chardon Road. Mother Raphael became a Catholic Sister on October 3, 1954 when she joined the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Mark. At the time, the sisters were providing rest home services on a local estate that they had purchased. Sister Raphael was sent to nursing school to better care for their residents. She earned her LPN in 1958, her RN license in 1979, and then her BSN degree in 1992. As Mount St. Joseph nursing home grew and changed with time, Sister Raphael became a licensed nursing home administrator in 1999, after completing an internship at St. Augustine Manor. She would later become the Administrator of Mount St. Joseph and the Mother Superior of the Order. In 2012, Mother Raphael managed every detail of the design and construction, and led the way as the sisters replaced their old nursing home with a new, state of the art rehabilitation center. The new Mount St. Joseph Rehab Center will continue to provide excellent care long into the future due to Mother Raphael's watchful eye and dedication to

# **Omeleggeddon Smokehouse Cafe - Stop in Today!**





by John Copic

It is time to stop eating the same old eggs for breakfast. It is time to break out of your shell. It is time for you to visit Carl and Antonio at Omeleggeddon Smokehouse Cafe and have a deep fried omelette. It is light. It is unique. It is delicious!

Omeleggeddon Smokehouse Cafe is located at 651 E. 185th St. in the old Euclid Fish building. They are open Monday through Saturday from 6:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Omelettes are not the only items that these



talented chefs excel at creating. Their Cuban sandwich is perfect. Their salads are healthy and fresh. There Cleveland "Poutine" tater tots are a taste treat covered in cheese curds and beef gravy. They have a wide menu of paninis, wraps, and omelletes. They also have really good coffee.

It is time to try something wonderful and different for breakfast or lunch. Stop in at Omeleggeddon Smokehouse Cafe and tell them the Observer sent you.



her mission.

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#### Councilman's Corner



by Michael D. Polensek

Greetings. Happy February. 2016 looks to be another positive year with many projects and initiatives underway. First

and thaw cycle is upon us. Chuckholes and other road issues are already popping up. For street repair please call (216) 664-2510. This is the same number to call for snow removal and plowing issues on residential streets. We know with this weather we run the risk of water leaks. Please, if you see water running in the street or tree lawn areas please call the Divison of Water immediately at (216) 664-3060. In addition, believe it or not street lights could go out due to salt spray and extreme temperatures. If there is a street light out on your street please call (216) 664-3156 and report the location. Be

We have been very fortunate, so far, with the snow fall. We all know that could change in a twelve hour period. One of the greatest challenges for our city's snow removal crews are cars parked on the street; illegally parked cars and vehicles that have not been moved pose a real problem for the drivers to properly clean the streets. Everyone should know that if a car has not moved in 48 hours, even though legally parked, it can be ticketed. If it hasn't moved within 72 hours it can be towed as well as ticketed. There should be NO abandoned vehicles sitting on our streets. Anyone who has a vehicle that has not been moved please call the 5th District Commander's Office at (216) 623-5505 and report the location and the vehicle's make, model and license number, if possible. Your call starts the process and once the Traffic Officer marks the vehicle the clock starts ticking. All of us worry about winter and the trials and tribulations that come with it; however, we are CLEVELANDERS, we get through it

Above all, please check on elderly and shut-in neighbors who have not been seen to make sure they are alright. Be a noisy neighbor, check on them and call 9-1-1 immediately, if need be. You would be surprised how many times that being a

concerned neighborhood has been the life saver for a neighbor in trouble.

Also remember, if you have a pet there is a tether law in the City of Cleveland and provisions regulating how long an animal can be tethered outside especially when the weather turns to below freezing. Please be a responsible pet owner and look out for all of our "furry friends." If you see someone not properly caring for their pet please call the City's Animal Control at (216) 664-3069 and report the issue, location and any other pertinent information.

As I have reported previously, the new Salvation Army's \$10 million community center is well underway at 17625 Grovewood Avenue and the work on the new Veteran's Park at East 174th Street and Lakeshore Boulevard has stopped but will resume come Spring as weather permits. Watch for the Dedication of this important park in our community coming in June.

The Northeast Regional Sewer District has embarked upon a greater review and inspection of all the sanitary and storm sewers around Euclid Beach, Villa Angela, Wildwood and the Euclid Creek Watershed in an effort to better pinpoint sources of pollution that effect water quality during the summer swimming season along the lakefront. We are hoping that they can really get a true handle as to what is contributing to this very real problem.

Finally, I want to thank all the individuals, neighborhood groups and institutions for their engagement in the community last year. Your efforts are beginning to pay off and have led to more interest than ever before in our community including commercial development opportunities.

As we move into this year, I don't have to tell any of you that we are in the middle of a Presidential Election. Heaven help us all! We citizens need to be more informed than ever before. Regardless of your political affiliation, I hope that at least one thing is clear - I hope that you are Registered to vote. But, being registered means nothing without actually VOTING. YOUR VOICE IS CRITICAL IN AMERICA IN 2016. Everyone running for President should have to explain to us a) what their plan is for job creation and economic development, b) how do they intend to protect us against those fanatics and state sponsored terrorists who wish to do our citizens and our Country great harm, c) what about the

#### COMMUNITY MEETINGS

COLLINWOOD HOMEOWNERS MEETING

St Mary Church 15519 Holmes Avenue **EAST 185th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD** ASSOCIATION

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Lithuanian Hall 877 East 185th Street – next to Post Office

**DEMOCRATIC WARD CLUB** 2nd Wednesday of the Month Collinwood Slovenian Home 15810 Holmes Avenue

EAST 156th STREET NEIGHBROHOOD 3rd Wednesday of the month 6:00 PM

Collinwood Recreation Center

5th DISTRICT COMMUNITY RELATIONS MEETING

3rd Wednesday of the month Collinwood Community Services Center East 152 Street

**EAST 140TH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD** 4TH Wednesday of the Month Collinwood Community Services Center

OLIVER HAZARD PERRY (SCHOOL)
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
1st Tuesday of the month

Collinwood Recreation Cente

**CLEVELAND CITY COUNCIL** Monday night at 7:00 PM Please note – this is a public and open meeting but does not take public

Any questions about these meetings please feel free to call Mary Louise, Councilman Polensek's office, Julia DiBaggio, Northeast Shores Dev. Corp., (216) 481-7660

cost of college tuition and the sorry state of our Nation's public education system, and d) what about the growing pollution problem in the great lakes – our nation's main source of fresh water. As you can see- there are many issues confronting us and it is only "through an engaged citizenry can we have the type of government that will be accountable to its people." Please register and

Feel free to call or email me. You may always be reached at my office at (216) 664-4236 or via email at mpolensek@cleveland-

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# Community

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#### Welcome Our New & Re-Elected Board Members!



Northeast Shores Development's 2016 Board of Directors

by Julia DiBaggio

During Northeast Shores' Annual Meeting on January 19th, members had the opportunity to vote for residents and businesses running to be on the Northeast Shores' Board of Directors. This year brought some new faces, as well as some returning directors. Those in the running shared their interest in joining the Board of Directors to the members. There have been some exciting additions. This new class will certainly share their enthusiasm for the neighbor-

Residents

Ms. Allison (Ali) Lukacsy, resident - Ms. Lukacsy moved to the neighborhood in 2013. Since joining the neighborhood, Ms. Lukacsy has used her artist and architect skills to complete projects including the Phone Gallery, Yarn N Yoga, The Lakefront Literacy Project, Bus Stop Moves, Locks of Love from Waterloo and other projects.

Ms. Lukacsy is an architectural designer and project manager with Geis Companies and serves on the City of Cleveland's Northeast Design Review committee whose jurisdiction includes multiple districts in Collinwood. Ms. Lukacsy was appointed to the Northeast Shores Board in 2014. Ms. Lukacsy is seeking her first full elected term on the board. She is currently the chairperson for the Residential Development Committee."

Ms. Rhonda McLean, resident- Ms. McLean has lived in the neighborhood for the last sixteen years. She is currently the Associate Director of Health Services for NEON Health Services Inc. Besides a long career in health care, she was a mathematics teacher with the Cleveland Municipal School District. Besides being active with the East 156th Street Block Watch, Ms. McLean is also an active graduate of the Neighborhood Leadership Development Program. Ms. McLean is seeking her second term on the Northeast Shores Board of

Mr. Tim Moore, resident - Mr. Moore returned to North Collinwood as a homeowner in 2014 after spending nearly a decade away. During this time he graduated from the University of Dayton, worked as a paid Field Organizer on Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign, and lived and worked in Washington DC for four years. Mr. Moore grew up in the neighborhood and graduated from VASJ High School. Mr. Moore is now a Corporate Legal Client Manager with LexisNexis. Mr. Moore is interested in attracting new residents and businesses to the neighborhood along with cleaning up litter and abandoned proper-

Businesses/Institutions

Mr. Joe Bruzas, ImageMart Inc. - Mr. Bruzas is the owner of ImageMart Inc. located at 17320 St. Clair Avenue. Mr. Bruzas is an active participant of several Northeast Shores committees including the Marketing Committee and the Commercial Development Committee. Mr. Bruzas is seeking his second full term on the board.

Mr. Larry Fielder, Rust, Dust and Other Four Letter Words - Mr. Fielder added his business to the Waterloo Arts & Entertainment District over a year ago. Mr. Fielder's business creates one of a kind furniture, lighting and home décor utilizing found objects. It is Mr. Fielder's intent to be dedicated to this business full-time after he retires from his career as a Claims Adjuster with Westfield Insurance Company. He is an active volunteer for the Wounded Warriors in Action Foundation. Mr. Fielder was

a board member for the I-CAR organiza-

Mr. Kevin Flynt, Villa Angela St. Joseph (VASJ) High School - Mr. Flynt is a current member of the Northeast Shores Board of Directors. Mr. Flynt is the Director of Community Outreach. Before joining the staff at VASJ, Mr. Flynt has been employed by various high schools and security. He also served as a board member for Pinnacle Academy located in Euclid. Mr. Flynt is also a past School Board Member for Euclid as well. VASJ High School has maintained an appointee on the Northeast Shores Board of Directors since its inception.

Mr. Filippo (Fil) Scafidi, Euclid Hospital - Mr. Scafidi is the Northeast Shores Vice Chair and is the Personnel Committee Chairperson. He is seeking a fourth term on the Northeast Shores Board of Directors. Mr. Scafidi is the Director of Support Services/Facilities at Euclid Hospital. Mr. Scafidi was once employed at the Euclid Beach Amusement Park. Euclid Hospital has maintained an appointee on the Northeast Shores Board of Directors since its in-

Ms. Michelle Seyranian, Hospice of the Western Reserve - Ms. Seyranian is the Chief Marketing and Business Development Officer for the Hospice of the Western Reserve. Ms. Seyranian has an extensive career in supporting strategic planning, marketing and business development initiatives. She has a master's degree in nonprofit management from Case Western Reserve University. Ms. Seyranian is seeking a second term on the Northeast Shores Board

#### Made in Collinwood



You might know about North Collinwood's vibrant arts community, but have you met the neighborhood's makers? The makers

movement is a marriage of art, craft, tech

nology and small scale entrepreneurship that is redefining the world of start-up companies. Over the past decade of North-

east Shores Development Corporation's creative placemaking and attracting artists to North Collinwood, a considerable number of makers moved to and began working in the neighborhood. Some makers have been here decades.From old world sausage to limited edition prints to graphic design and even world-renowned sails, there are small businesses making things by hand

every day in North Collinwood. Unfortunately, in the Venn diagram of makers and artists, only those makers who blended into the arts world were really still in the early stages, but initial research is leading to sweeping recommendations that will strengthen North Collinwood's

On Thursday, January 21, Northeast

maker network.

Shores hosted a gathering for makers and support partners at the Collinwood Recreation Center to present research results from consultant Leslie Schaller. Beginning in November 2015, Schaller interviewed neighborhood makers, retailers and entrepreneurs to gather their marketing insights and small business challenges. Along the way, local photographer Bridget Caswell photographed makers to accompany the brand campaign and to share professional

Recommendations from the January 21 meeting include creating a shared Made in Collinwood brand for makers, building a stronger network between makers and retailers, developing peer-to-peer education events, establishing micro-business trainings and leveraging financial resources for business start-up and expansion.

photographs with makers for their own

marketing efforts.

Once the final report is completed, Northeast Shores will convene working groups of makers to guide the implementation of these recommendations.

If you are a maker or supporter provider who wants to be involved with Made in Collinwood, please contact Joe Barbaree, Business Development Specialist at Northeast Shores by phone at 216-481-7660 or JBarbaree@northeastshores.org.

# **Enrich Your Winter with Online** Learning

by Sherrie Zagorc

A cold winter has a tendency to keep us indoors. You may already be bored with reading books, cleaning, or doing crafts but as a lifelong learner, I would like to introduce you to something that I discovered in 2014 at coursera.org. Coursera is an organization that provides universal access to the world's best education partnering with top universities and organizations to offer courses online.

The two classes I have completed are Child Nutrition and Cooking from Stanford University and Nutrition Health and Lifestyle: Issues and Insights from Vanderbilt University. Both of these courses were available to me at no cost with the exception of some reading material pertinent to the nutrition class that I purchased digitally for a nominal fee. I selected them for use with my food service work at Kiddie City and for a closer study of up to date nutrition information for my personal life. There are classes for very specific learners

and occupations but also the casual learner

I had never taken an online class before and was so surprised at the ease in which I was able to access the information and learn at my own pace and time at my dining room table. My courses were so professionally done and contained volumes of information. There were opportunities to sit in on webinar sessions and lectures as well as blog with other class attendees from around the world. Yes, there are quizzes and sometimes special projects but all were relevant to the class and to my personal life. I was awarded certificates of achievement but there are other professional course offerings that will provide job specific in service credit for an additional fee.

So, take a look at the course selection at www.coursera.org and don't be afraid to stretch your mind this winter. Like me, you will wonder what took you so long to discover this treasure.

connected with Northeast Shores' support services and marketing vehicles because of the organization's heavy engagement with the arts. Made in Collinwood - the newest program from Northeast Shores - arose out of the realization that the incredible number of makers in the neighborhood went unrecognized and missed opportunities to better brand themselves, connect with resources and scale their enterprises. Made in Collinwood aims to address these issues, revitalize the neighborhood's commercial corridors, support makers and underscore these unique businesses. The program is

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# Tickets On Sale Now for "Shrek the Musical, Jr."



by Matthew Orgovan North Collinwood's UpStage

Players, one of Northeast Ohio's hardest working children's theatre companies, celebrates its 22nd season in 2016 with the beloved theatre show Shrek the Musical Jr.

Tickets to all three performances can now be purchased online. Known for its no-cut policy, UpStage Players "works for the kids" of Greater Cleveland.

#### **Performance Dates**

Friday, March 18, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 20, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. **Performance Venue** 

Cleveland Public Library Auditorium, 17109 Lakeshore Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44119 **Ticket Prices** - \$8 in advance

Online Ticket Ordering Tickets may be purchased through WWW.

SHOWTIX4U.COM.

The site will walk customers through the process so that they will be able to choose

specific seats. Once on the site, click "Buy Tickets" and then search "UpStage Players." All advance tickets must be purchased through the site, where patrons can choose their seats. Patrons should then print and bring their tickets to the show. Seating is limited, so patrons interested in attanding any of the shows are encouraged to purchase tickets early. Questions regarding ShowTix4U can be answered by e-mailing Kris at KrisUp-

The signature endeavor of UpStage Players each year is the organization's annual spring musical. After several months of learning and collaboration, the efforts of dozens of children and adult volunteers come to fruition through the professionally-produced junior edition of a Broadway-caliber musical.

The children of UpStage Players come from varied backgrounds and neighborhoods throughout Northeast Ohio, yet they all enjoy a demonstrable transformation from everyday kids into accomplished artists. For more information, e-mail info@upstage-players.com or visit www.upstage-players.com.

After reading fun stories, singing songs and

rhymes, our Super Sleuths will look further

into their stories through play and crafts!

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adult are invited for stories, active songs,

Thursdays \* 10:30am Starting February

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Collinwood Safety Committee Meeting

Friday, February 5th \* 11:00am

Tuesdays, 10:30am - 11:15am

Ages 18 months to 3 years)

rhymes and time for play!

registration information.

**Adult Programs:** 

February 5.

# Classical Meets Folk: CityMusic at Waterloo Arts

by Nan Kennedy

CityMusic's second chamber concert at Waterloo Arts turns to folk music, which was part of the audible landscape for classical composers. Their string trio will play duets for two violins, by Haydn, Mozart and Bela Bartok; and trios by Haydn and Beethoven for two violins and double bass. Masha Andreini and Aniela Eddy are the violinists; Tracy Rowell plays bass.

The concert is in the Nan and MilesKennedyCommunityArtCenter at Waterloo Arts (enter at 397 E156 St) on Friday, February 19, at 7 pm, and will include a short intermission. Like the M4M concerts, City-Music concerts are free. And when they're held at Waterloo Arts, they include (sometimes) a gallery show and (always) the possibility of a glass of wine or some such from the Callaloo Café.

The full CityMusic orchestra will perform at St Jerome church on March 17 and May 12. The M4M series at Waterloo Arts begins in March, with the Bayard String Quartet, followed by the Charnofsky Piano Trio in April; the Trillium Trio (flute, clarinet, bassoon), which was our very first M4M concert, in May; the Tower

City Brass Quintet in September; the Silver Keys Clarinet Quartet in October; and Joe Parker with his sitar in November.

Where did the folk influence come from? Haydn's parents were working folk – musical working folk – and he grew up singing folk songs with them and their neighbors. He also adapted some of the Landler, the immensely popular German dance, as did Beethoven and Mozart.

Beethoven wrote 179 folk-song arrangements, many of them English, Scots or Irish – although he never visited Britain. A Scots collector paid him by the song (possibly one British pound apiece, which apparently had been Haydn's rate) and Beethoven obliged generously – despite the difficulties of smuggling goods between Austria and Scotland during the Napoleonic War. The songs didn't sell well in Scotland – not simple enough.

Bela Bartok, after hearing a peasant woman singing, began to record (on an Edison phonograph) hundreds of songs from small villages in rural Hungary and Romania. His intention was preservation, but the process had a profound influence on his own compositions.

# Let Your Love for Learning Grow!

by Erica Mark

Warm your valentine's heart with the gift of a special Valentine's Day Card!

#### Thursday, February 11 \* 4:30pm

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#### Math & Music!

Math & Music is a unique after-school program previously held at Cuyahoga Community College. Students will embed geometry and fractions into original music and choreography! Wednesdays \* 4:30 – 5:30pm

Super Sleuth Readers (Preschool Storytime, Ages 3 through 5)

#### Fresh Cut Is The Best

by John Cop

If you are looking to hire a landscaping or plowing company, I highly recommend Fresh Cut. For the past two years, the owner Greg, and his staff, have taken care of my yard. They are polite, on time, and have an excellent attention to detail. Fresh cut is a full-service landscaping company. The

talented staff can do your spring cleanup, mulching, fertilizing, and tree and shrub care. They handle both commercial and residential accounts. Fresh cut offers discounts to senior citizens. Give Greg a call at 216-376-8485, you'll be happy you did. His company comes with the Observer seal of approval.

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# Upcoming Events

# **Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society Join us for our Annual Meeting**

by Elva Brodnick

Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society Join us Friday, February 19, 2016 6:00 PM at Muldoon's Saloon 1020 EAST 185th STREET

This is our 8th Annual Meeting. Join us for Friendship, Food and an Update on all activities coming up (How can you go

wrong!) (Order off the menu at your own expense) RSVP to the contacts below. Looking Forward to Seeing You All There! Everyone's Welcome! For More Info Please feel free to contact: Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society Phone: 216 – 664-4236 Email: CollNottHistory@aol.com

# **Baker Candies Famous Whipped Eggs**

bv Michael Prokot

Bakers Candies a long time Collinwood resident late last year had planned to close its operation ending a decades long tradition of manufacturing candy products. In particular would be the end of one of their most loved products whipped eggs (whips). Whips were a holiday favorite and highly sought after item during Easter.

THERE BACK - late last year Baker Candies with and agreement with another long time Collinwood favorite the Humphrey Popcorn Company will continue the manufacture of Bakers Famous Whipped Eggs. Nothing will change in the manufacturing or the product. The same recipe and ingredients will be exactly the same. Humphrey Popcorn is committed to providing the same quality product that so many have

enjoyed for years. Bakers Famous Whipped Eggs will be around for many more holidays, Easters and family events. Bakers Famous Whipped Eggs will be available beginning February 22nd thru March 26th at the following:

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# **Everyone Loves a Parade!**

by Julia DiBaggio

On Friday, March 4th, come out to celebrate democracy with a neighborhood parade. The parade begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Collinwood Recreation Center and will conclude at the intersection of Shiloh and Waterloo Road. We will march, dance, and twirl our way towards E. 156th Street, down Pythias, and throughout the E. 156th Street neighborhood.

The parade will feature neighborhood musicians, artists, and art projects that the neighborhood will be able to vote on after the parade concludes. There will be two grand stages with short performances located at the corner of E. 156th and Pythias, and on the corner of E. 161st and Waterloo. The parade is a part of Northeast Shores' Ballot Box Project, funded by ArtPlace, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, and MetroHealth.

# It's Time Again for Taste the Neighborhood!

by Julia DiBaggio

Taste the Neighborhood is the annual fundraiser for Northeast Shores Development Corporation and will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at the Lithuanian Club located at 877 E. 185th St. Please join us as we sample foods from North Collinwood's finest restaurants and eateries as well as honor individuals and organizations that have made a difference in our community over the past year. In addition to the delicious offerings from our neighborhood restaurants, there will be a cash bar, and an

auction of baskets donated from neighborhood businesses and organizations.

Tickets for the event are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door, and can be purchased at Northeast Shores Development Corporation 317 E. 156th Street or on line at https://tastetheneighborhood.eventbrite.com. Tickets sell out fast so it is best to purchase them as soon as possible. For more information please contact Julia DiBaggio at (216) 481-7660.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's Taste the Neighborhood!

# **Get Out and Vote!**

by Julia DiBaggio

From March 4th through March 9th residents of Ward 8 who are at least 14 years old will come out and vote for their favorite Ballot Box Projects. There are 36 projects on the ballot, all are arts based, with a community focus. Topics include: Youth Engagement, Collinwood History, Vacancy, and Healthy Eating.

Voting times and locations are as follows: Friday, March 4, 6pm-8pm, Slovenian Work-

man's Home Saturday, March 5, 3pm-5pm, Collinwood Recreation Center

Monday, March 7, 1pm-3pm, Euclid Beach Villa

Wednesday, March 9, 4pm-6pm, Salvation Army



There are plenty of ways to find out more about the projects. First, you can go to www. ballotboxproject.org for information on all the projects. Starting February 4th at Memorial-Nottingham Library you can check out displays for each of the projects that will be on the ballot. There will be several Project Expos with all the projects on display. The displays will be at each of the voting locations.

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Come join us in the garden. Contact either Elva Brodnick at carrollsell@gmail. com or 216-738-0626, or Charlotte Iafeliece

at ciafeliece@aol.com or 216-401-8778

We've already done alot of work in the
Garden in 2015, thanks to our "Garden

Angels" and other Cleveland Municipal School District staff and students.

We'll soon be putting plans together for

2016, and there's a lot to do. Join our email list to stay informed!

Check us out ("the Little Red Cap Project") on Facebook and our website at http://collnotthistory.weebly.com/index.html

# **Collinwood Cat Caregivers Event**

v A. Del Gat

The Collinwood Slovenian Home at 15810 Holmes Ave, is hosting an event to benefit local, indepent caregivers of feral cats in our community.

There will be a Chinese Auction, raffle baskets, food, and cocktail specials!

Fully vetted cats from local rescue or-

ganizations will be available for adoption (approved application is required), so come and add a new member to your family! All funds raised will be used to purchase cat

food that will be distributed to local caregivers.

The Slovenian Home is a treasure in the community, so come visit, and enjoy yourself! With friendly bartenders, inepensive drinks and great food, you can only have a great time!

Join us on Saturday, Feb 13, 2016 from 3-6 pm at 115810 Holmes Ave (South Collinwood) for food and fun in support of a great cause.

# Collinwood Slovenian Home Now Serving Food

by A. Del Gato

The Slovenian Home at 15810 Holmes Ave, South Collinwood, is now serving food. The limited menu will feature a Slovenian Day special once a week, and a Friday special. The full bar is open 7 days a week; 12 pm-close, Mon-Sat; 1 pm--close Sundays. Stop in and inquire about membership!

Multiple banquet facilites are available for your special events. Ample lighted parking lot and security included. Call Angela, the manager, at 216-681-6649 for more information.



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# Health

# Moore Counseling located in Euclid offers a variety of services for addiction sufferers



by V. McGraw

Moore Counseling and Mediation Services, Inc. is a Cleveland based organization with four locations in the Northeast Ohio area including its main office being located in Euclid, Ohio.

The Euclid location is located at 22639 Euclid Avenue, just east of East 222nd street. You can find other locations in downtown Cleveland, Akron and Elyria.

Also known as MCMS, the community based organization offers a wide range of services to clients that suffer from alcohol and drug addiction and behavioral health disorders. MCMS offers education, intervention, advocacy and support by helping clients get on the right path in life by meeting on a regular basis with counselors and specialist to discuss a wide variety of issues that MCMS clients are struggling with.

Moore Counseling not only works with clients suffering from alcohol and drug addiction, but they also provide many companies and churches with services needed to grow and prosper in the community.

A list of other services provided by MCMS includes: anger management, intervention, premarital education, indi-



Moore Counseling group meeting section.

vidual therapy, parenting education and substance abuse education.

If you want to become a client or learn more about the services Moore Counseling

and Mediation Services, Inc. provides, contact MCMS by telephone at 216-404-1900. Or visit the website at moorecounseling.

# Tai Chi Classes at Collinwood High!



Chris Downtown Montrea

by Chris Burnett

An ancient martial art known as Tai Chi Chuan has found it's way to Collinwood High School. In our Collinwood Class we learn techniques that enable us to use an opponents strength against them no matter how big or strong. We learn to control attackers using joint locking techniques and also how to escape from them. We learn energy building techniques known as Qigong (Chee-Gong). We learn to stay relaxed and focused in the face of on coming threats and so much more. But wait a minute, are we talking about Tai Chi? Is this the same thing you see the elderly people practicing in the park?

Yes it is! Many people don't know that Tai Chi Chuan is an excellent system of self defense that in English translates to "Grand Ultimate Fist". Many videos on YouTube show of the wondrous abilities of the Tai Chi Masters. So how does that relate to the elderly who practice it? Well, the great benefit of learning Tai Chi is it is excellent for ones health, this wonderful art is more than just for self defense.

Tai Chi and Qigong are ancient Chinese exercises for building and maintaining strength and life energy known as Chi. These exercises help to nurture three aspects of our being, the physical, the mental and the spiritual. This brings our lives into balance and prevents and/or alleviates many illnesses and

Tai Chi and Qigong build the physical body through relaxed coordinated movements that stretch and strengthen muscles. Also the joints are used and exercised. Many people use these exercises for arthritis and joint stiffness. These exercises use whole body movements and deep breathing which increases the circulation and respiratory functions. Tai Chi is also known for waist movements that massage the internal organs and bring good circulation to these areas as well which helps to heal or maintain healthy organ function. The great thing about these exercises is that they can be modified to accommodate each person on their level of physical ability and they will still benefit from its' practice.

# Tri-C's Health, Wellness and **Preventative Care Center Open for** Spring Semester at Metropolitan Campus



The Community Health, Wellness and Preventative Care Center at the Metropolitan Campus of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C<sup>®</sup>) is now open for spring semester.

The care center provides low-cost health care services to uninsured or underinsured adults while giving Tri-C health career students learning and training opportunities in a clinical setting.

The center is open 2-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 28. It is located in Room 105 of the Health Careers and Sciences building at Metro Campus, 2900 Community College Ave. in Cleveland.

The center is staffed by students studying to be medical assistants, physical therapy assistants, occupational therapy assistants and dietetic technicians. The students work under the supervision of licensed health care

Services offered at the center include blood pressure readings, glucose and cholesterol screenings; physical therapy and occupational therapy; physical rehabilitation for daily living; pain management; bone density screenings; nutritional coaching; stress management; and exercise and education programs. No physician referrals are needed

To schedule a visit or to find out about special health-related workshops, call 216-

The care center serves as a key part of Tri-C's allied health career programs. Nearly 2,800 appointments have been booked since the service began in 2009.

These ancient exercises are good exercise enter this state we are thus returning to nafor the mind. While performing the physical ture. We become more spiritual. This spirinovements it is important to use visualiza tuality is not religious in nature although tion techniques to move the body's internal can be for each person what they wish. The energy, Chi. Chi is the life force that we are spirituality I speak of is in accordance with all born with. It is associated with the elecnature and an appreciation of life. One gains a deeper understanding of oneself and a contrical signals that run through our nervous system just as blood flows through the cirnection to our inner selves while at the same culatory system. Through deep breathing time connecting to the world around us, and mental imagery we are able to gather experiencing oneness. Although many times this energy and increase it's presence in our we learn in a classroom it is good to practice outside if possible to breathe the fresh air and bodies giving us longer and stronger lives. Tai Chi and Qigong are forms of meditation absorb the light of the sun and the energy of the earth. Once a person learns Tai Chi it is that relax and calm the mind reducing stress theirs to take with them wherever they go. and bringing our thoughts into balance. This reduces the effects that stress can have on our bodies. Many ailments are directly linked to

The Classes at Collinwood are on Mondays and Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. They are open and free to the public. Anyone wishing to experience Tai Chi Chuan is welcome to come. Age and fitness levels are irreleveant, the classes are non-competitive, friendly and inspiring. Come, wear comfortable clothing and get ready to feel great! Fore more information on Tai Chi visit www.greendragon-

# Jergens Inc. Commits to Workforce Development and Collinwood



by Gina M. Tabasso

Founded in 1942, Jergens Inc. is a tooling component manufacturer located in Cleveland's Collinwood Neighborhood. Christy Schron dreamed of having his own machine shop with his son Jack, who attended Collinwood High School. Christy and Jack first operated the business in a rented a garage on East 152nd Street. Soon, they outgrew the space, and Jergens' found a new home on East 163rd off of St. Clair. In the midst of World War II, business was booming, and it was difficult to find a qualified workforce. Jergens began holding training classes in the shop every evening to keep up production and support the war effort.

Business continued to grow as Jergens moved to its third Collinwood location on Nottingham Road. In 1999, Jergens had again outgrown its facility and relocated to its current home on South Waterloo on the

site of the former Collinwood Yards. The company continues to honor this legacy in its lobby that is decorated with railroad artifacts and antiques.

Jergens has been led since 1987 by its third generation of Schrons, with Jack Schron, Jr., currently at the helm as president. The family has demonstrated a commitment to keeping Jergens' facilities in the City of Cleveland and maintaining jobs in Ohio. Jack Schron says, "Our first seeds were planted 75 years ago, and our roots were thoroughly entrenched. It is only natural that we would call Collinwood home for our next generation of Jergens."

Jergens has partnered with the Cuyahoga East Vocational Education Consortium (CEVEC) in a pilot program in which high school students use Jergens as their classroom for the entire year. The program has a full-time teacher who works with students

at the Jergens' facility by introducing them to careers in manufacturing and helping prepare them to enter the workforce.

According to Schron, "The company was started to meet the needs of the second World War, and since then we have diversified into entertainment, industry, aerospace, medical and all walks of life. If you've ever been to a rock concert, you have seen our products without realizing it from the speakers to the ceiling. Our electric screwdrivers have put together air bags, hand-held cell phones and missile systems."

There currently are six divisions/subsidiaries under the Jergens, Inc. umbrella: Jergens Tooling Component Division (TCD), Jergens Industrial Supply (JIS), Assembly Systems Group (ASG), ACME Industrial Company, Jergens Shanghai, and Jergens India. TCD focuses on lean manufactur-

ing solutions in three areas: work holding solutions, lifting solutions, and specialty fasteners. TCD's product line-up includes fasteners, hoist rings, Kwik-Lok pins, and Ball-Lock mounting systems. JIS offers a full line of cutting tools, carbide, and other tool inserts, coolants, abrasives, drills, and other industrial supplies. ASG is a supplier of products for threaded fastener assembly including torque-controlled electric screwdrivers, automation products, and production aides. ACME manufactures threaded inserts and bushings. Jergens' also has international sales offices in Shanghai, China, and Mumbai, India.

Jergens always is accepting applications from CNC machinists and workers with experience in skilled manufacturing.

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relaxed. Our movements are not forced but

natural, our minds clear. This brings us back

to the way we were meant to be before life

imposed its' bad habits upon us. When we

# Schools

# **Tri-C Hosts Campus Visitation Day** at Five Sites on Feb. 15

Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C\*) will host a Campus Visitation Day on Presidents Day — Monday, Feb. 15 — at its four campuses and the Brunswick University Center.

The open house provides prospective students with an opportunity to discover Tri-C's academic programs; learn more about enrollment, financial aid and scholarships; explore student services; and tour the facili-

Visitation Day hours extend from 10-11:30 a.m. and 2-3:30 p.m. at the following loca-

Brunswick University Center, 3605 Center Road in Brunswick

Eastern Campus, 4250 Richmond Road in

Metropolitan Campus, 2900 Community College Ave. in Cleveland Western Campus, 11000 Pleasant Valley

Westshore Campus, 31001 Clemens Road in

This free event is open to the public, and parking is available at all sites. For more information or to register, visit www.tri-c.edu/

#### 2016 Youth Summit

by Sharon Kidd

Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C\*) will On February 20, 2016, Famicos Foundation will host its Annual Youth Wellness Empowerment Summit. This event will be held at Glenville High School 650 E. 113th Street, Cleveland Ohio 44108 from 9:30am-3:00pm and is free of charge to all student attendees. This summit hopes to give our youth the ability to make conscious choices to live well. Wellness as we know is an active process of becoming aware and making choices toward living a fulfilling life. More than the absence of illness, wellness is a dynamic and multifaceted process of change and growth in ones lives. With that in mind, we will seek to address the eight dimensions of wellness (Emotional, Occupational, Environmental, Physical, Intellectual, Social, Financial and Spiritual)

in an engaging summit for students ages

This summit is open to all students. There are no residency requirements. To register for the summit please visit www. myglenville.com/register.

About Famicos Foundation

Famicos Foundation was created in 1969 with a mission to improve the quality of life in greater Cleveland through neighborhood revitalization, affordable housing and integrated social services. As a community development organization, Famicos Foundation is committed to housing development and management, resident and neighborhood programs and services, resident leadership, sustainability and wellness, and youth programming in the Glenville Neighborhood of Cleveland, Ohio.

# **CHS Fashion Design Class:** "Tailoring" Creativity



Jonathan Goodman takes extra care in threading his

by Gail Greenberg

A simple pattern, a spool of thread, fleece cloth, decorative trim, and steady hands are all the materials Collinwood High School New Tech students have found they need to create warm winter hats for their latest project in Fashion Design. Under the guidance of teacher, Rosalyn Allen, the class has not only been sharpening their sewing skills but also studying the history of fashion by various decades.

Considering that the garment industry and the manufacture of ready-to-wear clothing have a long and rich Cleveland connec-



Fashion Design teacher, Rosalyn Allen (third from left) and several of her students display the finished fleece hats and NASA bag project.

tion, it is easy to see why this topic was a logi-

Through reading, researching and handson activities, linking the past to the present and future has been very engaging. One recent assignment was to make straps and pockets for bags provided by NASA. Another was to fashion no-sew fleece blankets. which were donated to a local homeless shel-

Projects still on the drawing board are a much-anticipated trunk show and, perhaps, a fashion show. Creating duct tape clothing and accessories is yet another possibility.

# Celebrating the Artist in Us All!

What do Picasso, Monet, and Kahlo have in common? The most obvious is that they were all famous artists with distinct styles. A little less obvious is that at one point they were all children; creative, imaginative, and free-thinking. At Memorial, we believe every child deserves an opportunity to unleash their inner artist and with our resident artist, Mrs. Hopkins, as their guide

and artstonia.com as their vehicle, our budding artists have found an opportunity to showcase their developing skills and unique talents. Artstonia is the largest student art museum in the world! Every child can have an online art gallery and preserve their masterpiece for all time! Check out our student masterpieces on our FB page www.facebook.com/memorialcmsd or at

# **Drumming Workshop at Collin**wood Village Academy Drumming Workshop



Drumming Workshop at Collinwood Vil-

The fifth and sixth grade students at Collinwood Village Academy celebrated Martin Luther King week by participating in a drumming workshop on Thursday, January 21st and Friday, January, 22nd. Baba Jubal Harris, a professional drummer and music educator, taught them how to make their own drums and ten basic rhythms.

On Thursday, they made square drums by decorating wooden frames and wrap-

ping clear plastic tape around the frame twice. On Friday, they learned various rhythms and movements. Staff members will prepare some of the students to perform at the school's Cultural Arts Festival

February 2016

This workshop was made possible by a grant from Neighborhood Connections in association with the Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries was instrumental in obtaining these funds.

# **Gaining Insight- Teen volunteers** learn to see with their hearts as they help visually impaired individuals.



Fashion Design teacher, Rosalyn Allen (third from left) and several of her students display the finished fleece hats and NASA bag project.

by Sharon Kidd

The Collinwood High School DoMore4:Good team weathered the frigid Cleveland temperatures on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 as they traveled to the Cleveland Sight Center. The Cleveland Sight Center hosts a monthly Winners Club Social, which allows visually impaired adults to come together to socialize, complete recreational activities and learn a new skill.

Recreation Specialist, Desmond Kennedy, welcomed our teen volunteers with open arms. The youth began the day by prepping the event space and lunch. Throughout the day, our volunteers served as sighted guides for the program attendees. Our youth escorted clients to their seats and assisted them with their individual projects as they waited for the program instructor to begin. As clients settled in, the youth prepared and served hot beverages, lunch and des-

{"At first, I wanted to help them (program participants) do everything, then I realized they were blind, not physically incapable." -Daysha}

DoMore4:Good teens grasped a greater understanding of how one is able to independently function with partial or no vision. By the end of the day, the youth understood a disability does not hinder a person from completing daily activities. Instead, visually impaired individuals learn unique ways to complete those task.

"Some of the clients were a little snappy when I tried to help them." -Ronnie}

During our DoMore4:Good service debriefing, the youth discussed their overall impact and what they could do to make even more of a difference in the lives of visually impaired individuals. The teens responded to Ronnie by letting him know that visually impaired individuals are blind; they do not need assistance with every task. The youth went on to discuss reasons visually impaired individuals may become frustrated when they are offered

The social and emotional impact of this volunteer opportunity has changed the hearts of our youth. Our teen volunteers were grateful to be a part of such a great event and they are looking forward to re-

About DoMore4:Good

DoMore4:Good's mission is to empower individuals to do more for good by creating positive programs with volunteer opportunities that are supported, promoted, and sustained by local communities. Our programs connect high school students with volunteer opportunities at local nonprofits through a friendly rewards-based competition designed to inspire students to perform acts of kindness and volunteerism in a way that is fun and educational. To learn more visit www.DoMore4Good.org.

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# **Memorial School to Host its Sixth Annual African History Celebration**

by Nicole English

Dear Community Friends,

Memorial School is hosting its sixth annual African History Celebration on February 26, 2016 from 5:00 until 8:00 PM. The evening will be filled with performances, poetry, and activities celebrating the history and culture of African Americans. We are inviting you to participate by sharing your story, artifacts, or talent. You may also get involved by becoming a vendor in our Marketplace, which will be free of charge. The only thing you would need to do is bring your own table.

(Vendors) Our program will begin at 5:00 PM and you will need to arrive by 3:45 PM to set up your display or to prepare for your presentation. Each presenter will have

a space in the gymnasium and will have from 5:00 PM until 5:40 PM to present or share your products.

• Memorial School is located at 410 East 152nd Street Cleveland, Ohio 44110 • Please call to confirm your participation and let us know if you will need a table.

• Vendors-there is no fee for vending space, our goal is to promote our local businesses to our parents at Memorial School.

We are excited about this event and are very grateful for your participation. To confirm your participation please call Margaret Craig (Community Organizer) at (216) 692-1388 or Mr. Neal (Assistant Principal) at (216) 692-4118 or Ms. Burrus (216)

# Arts partnerships aid education at O.H. Perry

by Michael Scott

By the CMSD News Bureau

The arts play a dynamic part in the comprehensive education being offered at Oliver

The Cleveland Metropolitan School District PreK-8 school on Schenely Avenue has started partnerships this school year with the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning and the Dancing Wheels troupe.

Oliver H. Perry Principal Anne Priemer believes bringing artists into the classrooms furthers a child's development.

"It enhances a young child's motor skills, language development, visual learning, cultural awareness and creativity, which are essential to academic achievement," she said. "Arts education fosters students' critical thinking and observation skills because it requires students to focus and spend time observing and analyzing the world around

Priemer, in her first year at the school after completing the CMSD's Aspiring Principals Academy, previously worked as a teacher in New York and as director of curriculum and instruction at a Clevelandarea charter school. She said studies have shown that schools with robust art programs are often higher performing.

"Arts education can reinforce what students are learning in their core content areas," she said, citing two examples:

\* When a local 4H club visited the school, she said members were impressed that so many of the Oliver H. Perry fifthgraders could answer all of the question about Newton's Laws of Physics. Priemer said the students knew the answers because they are "choreographing their own dance with Dancing Wheels based on Newton's

\* She also said that many of her students are more excited to come to school because of a graphic arts project through the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning in which "they know they will be creating digital images that may end up on a Jones Soda bottle for

Priemer said the effect of the arts on education isn't always easily measured, but it can still be seen easily enough - if you're

"When Dancing Wheels came to perform for the entire school, even our kindergarten and first-grade students were mesmerized for the whole hour," she said. "Anyone who knows students that age knows that's a big deal."

She said students regularly ask whether the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning's Jimmie Woody, a professional actor, director and teaching artist, will be in the school that day or if the center is going to help with a year-end play again this school year.

"That's the conundrum with the arts - how do you measure a direct impact?" she said. "But we know that it does make a difference and that it also helps us market our school to families who are interested in both academics and arts."

# CMSD moves closer to building new O.H. Perry

By the CMSD News Bureau The Cleveland Metropolitan School District is moving closer to building a new Oliver H. Perry School.

Plans were to go before the city Planning Commission on Feb. 5. The schedule calls for groundbreaking in late August or early September and the completion of work by

The school will be built on a different part of the Schenely Avenue property that the existing Oliver H. Perry now occupies. That will avoid the need to relocate students during construction.

A volunteer advisory committee made up of district representatives, community leaders, neighborhood residents and community partners has been meeting since last summer to help architects with the building design, site plan and traffic flow.

CEDA, which stands for Cleveland Educational Design Alliance, designed the building. CEDA is affiliated with TDA Ar-

The new school will hold 470 students with one classroom for preschool and two for each level from kindergarten through eighth grade. The building will have spaces for music, art, a media center and a project

The construction was made possible when voters overwhelmingly approved Issue 4, a \$200 million bond issue, in November 2014. CMSD plans to build 20 to 22 schools and remodel 20 to 23, continuing a modernization program that began in 2001.

The state will contribute slightly more than \$2 for every \$1 the district spends on new construction. The bond issue did not

# **Enrollment Begins at Lakeshore Intergenerational School for** 2016-2017 Year

by Courtney De Schepper

Lakeshore Intergenerational School is so pleased to have full enrollment for our second year here in the North Collinwood area. Many community members may not be fully aware of our presence here so we would like to give a brief overview of LIS as a large portion of our philosophy is community engagement and promoting lifelong learning.

The focus of our educational model and philosophy is a developmental curriculum where progress is based on mastering benchmarks in reading, writing and mathematics. Students achieve success with our developmental curriculum, focusing on each child's stage of learning instead of an arbitrary grade level or age criteria. By meeting each student's social/emotional needs along with their academic needs, we embrace an educational environment of high expectations leading to students who are high school, college and career ready. We offer multi-age classes of no more than 17 students per classroom. Our teachers are all highly qualified and we don't forget about those all-important extra-curricular classes. At Lakeshore Intergenerational School we offer physical education/health class daily along with music and art classes.

Our intergenerational model provides meaningful relationships for our students with adults and older adults as reading mentors and volunteers. Each classroom also partners with a nursing home or long-term

care facility for curriculum-based activities with residents monthly. The intergenerational approach continues as we include interactions with volunteers from local high schools, colleges and universities. We are always looking for community members to serve as reading mentors, tutors or to share a skill, hobby or talent. If interested, please contact our office for more information.

Please take some time to visit our website to learn more information about this amazing approach to education. Or, better yet, attend an information session to hear first-hand our approach for educating the children of North Collinwood. Upcoming

#### Friday February 5th at 8:15am, Thursday February 18th at 5:30pm, and Wednesday March 2nd at 5:30pm.

Enrollment is beginning for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are looking for a school for your child, now is the time to start thinking about an educational approach that would be appropriate for your family. For more information on the admissions process, please contact our team at admissions@LakeshoreSchool.org or 216-367-5720. LIS is adding a grade level each year until we are a full K-8 school. For the 2016-2017 school year, we are enrolling students in grades K-4.

www.LakeshoreSchool.org 18025 Marcella Rd. Cleveland, Ohio 44119

# CMSD Sees Gains In K-3 Literacy And Graduation Rate On 2015 State Report Card

by CMSD News Bureau

State Report Cards released by the Ohio Department of Education today show progress in two important areas for the Cleveland Metropolitan School District: K-3 literacy and on-time graduation. The District's K-3 literacy rate grew by 4.2%, a measure that CEO Eric Gordon calls "significant" for a large urban district. Although CMSD would have improved its rating to a D on the scale used by the Ohio Department of Education last year, the state raised its passing rate for this year's class, dropping CMSD's score to an F, despite the District's gains this year. "Even though state tests change from year to year and make it difficult to make the apples-toapples comparisons we can see on the more consistent NAEP (Nation's Report Card) tests, we are encouraged by the gains we are seeing in grades K-3 and by our gains in the most stable measure of our growth--a record-high graduation rate," said Gordon.

The District's on-time graduation rate grew from 52.1% to 66.0%--a 13.9% gain over four years. The reported graduation rate, 65.9, measures CMSD's 2013-14 class and is watermarked this year due to an appeal the District filed to remove five non-CMSD students whose scores should not have been counted. Removal is expected to improve the District's score to 66%—a district high for CMSD that has reached a record-high graduation rate four years in a row.

"Continued growth in our graduation rate, along with gains in our K-3 literacy rate over last year," said Gordon, "reflects the growth and momentum evident in our NAEP scores that branded CMSD the 'fastest growing district in the nation' by the Executive Director of the Council of the Great City Schools."

One new aspect of Ohio's more rigorous state assessment is the addition of the new "Prepared for Success" measure of college readiness, which Gordon said is not accurately reflected on this year's report card because CMSD did not properly report on the new measure.

"We own this error, as our systems were simply not set up to report to the state information about our students' participation in Advanced Placement (AP) coursework and AP tests," said Gordon. "Our college prep courses were not consistently titled across our large district to clearly differentiate between Honors and AP courses for this new measure on the State Report Card."

Gordon said many AP courses were therefore mistakenly recorded in State reports as a zero—a problem of how courses were coded that was caught and has since been addressed to ensure AP courses in high schools across the city are fully counted at CMSD.

While changes like this, and a far more rigorous assessment, may make it more difficult for Ohio districts to show gains on this year's report card, Gordon said he feels

CMSD gained in far more ways than in its literacy scores and graduation rate.

"We believe in accountability," said Gordon. "Even before the ODE added a college readiness measure on this report card, we in Cleveland had already put the Higher Education Compact in place to track and report on our students' college readiness."

With a new state report card, CMSD now has a K-3 literacy measure on which to build, he said, and a college readiness pathway that will inspire further growth and graduation figures he has every faith will continue to rise.

"We believe the State is refining its practices and looking at the right things," said Gordon. "We will continue to look closely at this and at other measures of our work and will adjust our practices to align with the higher expectations we have already imposed on our own district under The Cleveland Plan."

# St. Jerome Church

# Collinwood's Catholic School

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### St. Jerome Catholic School Week







By Elaine Sowa and Kathy Hughes

St. Jerome School and all Catholic Schools have celebrated Catholic Schools week from January 31 to February 6th, 2016. The theme of the week was Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service.

To start off the week St. Jerome celebrated mass with our school, parish and neighborhood community. This was followed by an open house where the students' work and our building were on display for our present and prospective families and members of the community.

The students made inserts for the Church bulletin describing why St. Jerome Catholic School is so important to them. We are so grateful for what St. Jerome

Parish does for us. The parishioners are so kind and caring.

Each day of the week was dedicated to a special group of people. Our pastor, Father Bill Jerse, and our principal, Mrs. Susan Coan received recognition for all they do. Father Bill has set a challenge for each class to know the Ten Commandments. In art class students made the tablets and are or have already memorized them. We are indeed a community of Faith and Knowledge.

An important partnership in our school exists with our parents. Students wrote letters to their parents thanking them for choosing a Catholic education for them.

The teachers and staff had a special day as well. We are so grateful when everyone

in our school community works together. We could not celebrate the week without

a special day for our students. Throughout the week they have been writing letters, donating canned goods to the Collinwood Food Bank and paying for a chance to win the candy raffle with proceeds going to the Cystic Fibrosis Association. Students enjoyed a dress down day, movie and treat along with a no homework evening. Our students are very caring and willing to serve others in need. They live the values and faith they learn and are making our world a better place.

It is our hope that by working together and focusing on faith, knowledge and service, we all use our God-given talents to be the best we can be now and in the future!

# **Upcoming Parish Events**

Saturday & Sunday, February 6 & 7 Food Pantry Collection after

Weekend Masses Blessing of Throats after Mass commemorate the Feast of St. Blaise

Tuesday, February 9 Vespers – 7 p.m. in the church

**Lent Begins** 

Wednesday, February 10 Ash Wednesday Ashes will be distributed during Mass 8:30 a.m. - Join our school students for morning Mass 7 p.m. - Mass in the evening

> Friday, February 12 Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, February 13 & 14 Altar & Rosary Bake Sale following Mass

Monday, February 15 Collinwood Catholic Parish Cluster 7 p.m. Mass at St. Jerome Church Deacon Bob Lester, Homilist

> Friday, February 19 Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Monday, February 22 Collinwood Catholic Parish Cluster 7 p.m. Mass at Holy Redeemer, Kipling Avenue

Wednesday, February 24 5 - 8 p.m. Diocesan-Wide Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday, February 26 Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

in every parish

Monday, February 29 Collinwood Catholic Parish Cluster 7 p.m. Mass at St. Mary Church, Holmes Avenue Reverend Bob Stec, Homilist

Friday, March 4 Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

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# Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

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# VASJ holds beautiful Founders Day event

Even the cold January weather couldn't keep hearts from being warmed during a very moving Founders Day celebration at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School. The celebration included Mass, the presentation of scholarships associated with the school's sponsoring religious orders, and a special presentation of yearbooks in memory of three classmates who died in an accident in

Each year, the VASJ community comes together to celebrate the school's dual sponsorship by the Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland and The Society of Mary. The Feast Days of the school's founders, St. Angela Merici (Ursulines) and Blessed William Joseph Chaminade (Marianists), both take place in January. VASJ is the only school in the world to be sponsored by both religious orders.

"Celebrating Founder's Day is a wonderful way to bring the VASJ community together to focus on what we are all about," says VASJ Principal David Csank.

"It gives us an opportunity to celebrate our faith in conjunction with our mission. It was a beautiful ceremony from start to finish.'

The celebration opened with Mass celebrated by Rev. Joseph Fortuna,

pastor of Our Lady of the Lake. In his homily. Fr. Joe drew parallels between the Wedding Feast at Cana and the merger of Villa Angela Academy and St. Joseph High School 25 years ago.

The marriage, Fr. Joe explained,

and the Men's Chorus, accompanied by Melissa Gali-Bird, music director at Our Lady of the Lake. The music was vibrant and contagious – the sort that moves you to tap your foot along to the beat of the drum or clap your hands with the chorus.

Testimonials were given by four students who received Faces of our Founders awards, a new recognition program for students who exhibit the characteristics and qualities of St. Angela and Blessed Chaminade. Speakers were Carlie Beard '16, Cara Faddoul '16, David Paus '17 and Billy Vidmar '17.

particular, has impacted me profoundly throughout my years at VASJ," Billy



Billy Vidmar '17, one of the recipients of the new Faces of our Founders award, shares why he values the Ursuline and Marianist education he is receiving at VASJ.

is similar to the joining of the two founders, St. Angela Merici and Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, to create VASJ. The liturgy featured VASJ's choir

"The Marianist value of family, in

"In a lot of ways, this school has been my home away from home, and every home needs a family."



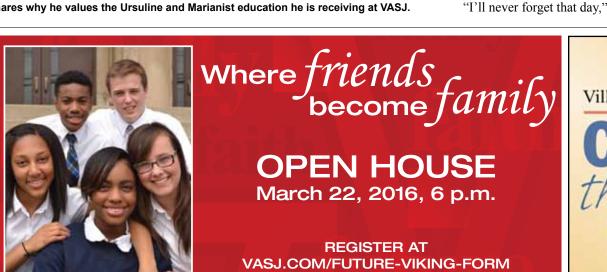
But when Regovich learned that Following Mass, scholarships established in the spirit of the founding a box of pictures from the class had resurfaced, he saw it as his opportunity orders were presented. Additional to finally make the yearbook happen. scholarships were presented in memory He spent months working with of Fred Blaine, Steve Clark and Tom

current yearbook moderator Mr. Gary Minadeo '74, and a group of VASJ students to complete the missing yearbook.

Regovich knew the yearbook would be cherished by his class and the members of the Clark, Blaine and Clark families. He invited the family members to Founders Day so he could personally present them with the did not exist until this year. It was Dan yearbooks.

Family members were deeply touched as they received the yearbooks reality. It was his way of making up for and were moved to tears when they saw a decision he said he has spent the last pictures of their loved ones, some of which they had never seen before. They were grateful to Regovich, Minadeo and the VASJ yearbook students for giving them this priceless gift. volunteers to work on the yearbook that

"At that very moment this whole year, no one stepped up. As a result, the project became totally worth it," says Regovich.



Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

Clark, the three members of the St.

Joseph High School Class of 1990

who were killed in a car accident on

graduation night. Receiving one of

current quarterback of the VASJ

Steve Clark.

25 years regretting.

the scholarships was Aubrey Shabazz,

football team and nephew of the late

Regovich '90 who took the initiative

to make the long-overdue yearbook a

Regovich explained that when

beloved St. Joseph and VASJ teacher

Mr. Timothy Robertson '62 asked for

yearbook wasn't produced.

A yearbook for the Class of 1990

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### Imagine Bella Teacher Honored by the Cleveland Cavaliers Q and A with



Ms. Figueroa, 5th and 6th grade math teacher at Imagine Bella, stops for a photo after the big surprise

Ms. Mary Figueroa, 5th and 6th grade Math Teacher, was recognized as the Cleveland Cavaliers January Winner of the Head of the Class Award! "CC" and Ahmad

Cavs in the Classroom

surprised "Ms. Fig" and her students. Ms. Figueroa won 2 seats to a Cavs game, free food and drink during the game, got to hand over the game ball, and \$500 for classroom supplies. Imagine Bella is so proud of Ms. Figueroa. She truly embodies what is means to be Imagine and put student success first! CONGRATS!!

By BK Kennedy

On January 22, 2016 there was a big surprise from Mrs. Gamble to Ms. Figueroa. Mrs. Gamble had nominated this 5th and 6th grade math teacher in a contest organized by the Cleveland Cavaliers. Ms. Figueroa won the Head of the Class award "for going above and beyond with helping the students." When Ahmaad, CC, and the photographer came in everyone was surprised and happy. The announcer first made it sound like one of the students would win, but instead of a student, a teacher won! We were all surprised and happy for her. We were all proud for her and that's how it happened.

# Tony J.

February 2016



Imagine Bella is excited with the addition of Mr. Bobby Ford as our new Dance Teacher

Interview by Tony Jordan Jr. of Dance Teacher- Mr. Bobby Ford

- Q: When did you start dancing?
- A: 15 years old Q: What dance academy did you go to?
- A: I was taught by a freelance choreographer
- Q: Is this your first school where you have
- A: No, I have taught at Tri-C College and Lake Catholic High School. Q: How long do you plan to do what you
- are doing? A: As long as I can!
- Q: Where were you born?
- A: I was born in Willowick, Ohio, but have also lived in Los Angeles, California before. Q: What's your favorite dance genre?
- A: It would have to be Hip-Hop
- Q: What is your favorite dance move?

# New Year, New Team





Check out Ms. Figueroa on the big screen at the Q! Other Imagine Bella Teachers cheered her on from the



The 2016 team of student journalists ponder what articles will be featured next month.

Thank you to all our 2015 Imagine Bella student journalists for writing articles, editing and offering suggestions to their peers, writing captions, taking photos, and delivering papers to classrooms. The Imagine Bella newspaper page was special

because of YOU! I hope you check out our new articles and let us know if you think of any suggestions for us to be even better! Thank you to Abby, BK, Brian, Lawren,

Logan, Terrica, and Tony!



# Youth Perspective: The Value of a Catholic Education

Students in Mrs. Millett's class at Our Lady of the Lake School have been reflecting on the value of the Catholic education they are receiving. The essays below give their perspective, in their own words.

#### Our Lady of the Lake School By Aidan Monroe

23 teachers, changing the lives of 331 students, every day. For 90 years, Our Lady of the Lake has not only given students an education, but has also taught them how to live, how to be kind, and how to be a good Catholic. I can't explain in words how much Our Lady of the Lake School has changed my life, and the lives of others around me, but in this essay, I will try my best.

Coming from a family of former students of Our Lady of the Lake, I know how much a school can impact one's life; my father still talks about his experience at Our Lady of the Lake School 33 years later. Our Lady of the Lake has always been a part of my family's life. My dad was baptized here, my parents were married here, my brother and I were baptized here, and my grandfather's funeral was held here. Our Lady of the Lake gives each student the opportunity to do, and to become anything they want. Every year Our Lady of the Lake improves. Last year the seventh and eighth grade students were given Chromebooks, and the fifth and sixth grade students use iPads for their everyday school work. At Our Lady of the Lake, the goal is to enhance the environment for learning, whether that means giving students items to better their learning experience, or having different interesting

elective classes for the seventh and eighth grade students

As a student, I have loved every bit of my time as a student at Our Lady of the Lake. I know that Our Lady of the Lake is a school everyone loves. I also know the amount of lives that are changed each and every day at Our Lady of the Lake. I know that if I didn't go to Our Lady of the Lake my life would not be the same. I don't think I could find a school as special as Our Lady of the Lake.

# Why Our Lady of the Lake is a Great

By James Long

School is of the utmost importance. A great mind must be harnessed for great things, and this can only be achieved by a great

FAITH .

I go to Our Lady of the Lake school because I strive for greatness for my knowledge. A school that can do this was hard to find, yet here I found that place. A place where knowledge is dealt out to us like a dealer dealing a hand of poker, except each card is a new piece of knowledge, and the minds are the deck of cards; each card unique to its suit and number. This school is good for the children who care about each other and their own education.

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Those are just some of the thousands of reasons to come to Our Lady of the Lake school. I hope I have convinced you to come to our great school and become great along with it and us.

COMMUNIT

# New Ministry at OLL Gets Grandparents in the Mix



Amy McLelland, left, and Donna Witmer, right, are launching the new grandparents' ministry at Our Lady of

Rooted in the conviction that "grandparents are a gift from God" and compelled by the desire to support their children as they raise their children, two women from Our Lady of the Lake parish have begun a new ministry for grandparents. Donna Witmer and Amy McClelland both attended the World Meeting of Families Conference in Philadelphia last September (at the conclusion of which Pope Francis came for his historic visit). While at the Conference, Amy and Donna met Catholics from Ireland and England who had initiated a Catholic Grandparent Ministry there and hoped to share their success here in the USA. Amy and Donna brought the idea back home, and after consulting with Fr. Joseph Fortuna, their Pastor, held their first monthly

meeting in January of this year. The group, which so far has attracted about a dozen members, will focus on three

**Lenten Mission** 

Our Lady of the Lake will gather for a Lenten

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PRAYER for their children and grand-

SUPPORT one another and share creative responses to the challenges which families face today;

SERVICE to younger families through offering programs, resources and opportunities for families to be together in ways which are life-giving and faith-enriching.

Both Amy and Donna welcome anyone who wishes to "come and see" what Grandparent Ministry is all about. The group is open to Catholics as well as those from other traditions, both within and beyond the parish. They are meeting the second Sunday of each month following the 10:00an Mass, from 11:15 - 12:30 in the parish Ministry Center, which is located at the corner of East 201 & Lake Shore Blvd. They can be contacted via the parish office at (216) 486-0850. The next meeting is Sunday, February 14th.

# **Lenten Schedule**

Ash Wednesday is February 10! Mission February 20-23. This time to come together, reflect, witness and share helps Join us for Lenten services parishioners and visitors connect with and Living Stations March 18 strengthen their faith. All are welcome to Palm Sunday March 20 participate. For more information, please Tenebrae March 23 call the parish office at (216) 486-0850. Holy Thursday March 24 Good Friday March 25 Visit our website for more Holy Saturday March 26 information on all the things Easter March 27 happening at Our Lady of the

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available - you don't have to manage this alone! Thanks to a generous program of the Catholic Lawyers Guild, an attorney can help you with all of these challenging

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The workshop will be held in Our Lady of the Lake's church hall on Monday, February 29, at 9:30am. Refreshments will be served, and convenient parking is available next to the church. The workshop is free, and everyone is welcome, but we do ask that you register in advance so we can be sure to have enough materials

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For more information, please call Our Lady of the Lake at (216) 486-0850 or visit the Our Lady of the Lake website at www.OLLEuclid.org.

# Food + Fun

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#### Citizens Pie My Oh MY

by John Copic

There are a lot of different types of pizza. You can go to the grocery store and buy a frozen disk that is "self rising." You can go to some neighborhood spots and order a pizza made on a conveyor. I admit I have had both of these pizzas, and found them to be okay.

If you would like to try pizza as it was intended to be made, you have to go to Citizen's Pie. Here you will experience a pie created from the finest ingredients in the world, assembled by a true craftsman. Plan to eat right in the restaurant, to best appre-

ciate the meal. You want to sample it fresh out of the wood fired ceramics oven. From the crust, to the sauce, to the toppings, Citizens Pie creates perfection.

The dough is made 24 hours in advance. This caused this new popular spot to actually run out of dough occasionally. The staff is doing its best to correct this challenge.

Open from noon to 9 PM Monday through Saturday, come in and be amazed. Be sure to finish the meal with a slice of unique and unusual ricotta cheesecake. Located at 15710 Waterloo Rd. in Cleveland, their phone number is 216-417-2742.





by John Copic

Formerly the Grovewood Tavern and Wine Bar has been reopened under new ownership as the Grovewood Lounge & Grille. The new owner Chris Brooks, wants to turn the cozy bar into a comfortable neighborhood "Cheers". An extensive remodel by local craftsman John Budway has the interior of the Grovewood looking classy. A new hardwood floor and bar has been added. Four large flatscreen TVs make the Grovewood the perfect place to watch a Cav's game. A simple menu of appetizers, salads, sandwiches will be available. An emphasis

on fresh and not frozen should lead to some tasty bar food. An expanded menu will be added in the next 4 to 6 weeks.

The Grovewood Lounge & Grille is located at 17105 Grovewood Ave. The lounge is open Tuesday through Thursday from 4 PM until midnight, and Friday and Saturday from 4 PM till 2 AM. The kitchen is open nightly till midnight. Stop in and say hello to Chris, and tell him the Observer sent you.











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#### Fish Fry and More

by Pat Nevar

February 2016

The Kitchen Angels of the Slovenian Workmen's Home have their delicious Fish Fry & More every Friday from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The menu includes Fish (breaded in house & fried or served with special seasoning and baked), Breaded Shrimp, Breaded Pork Chops, Goulash and Macaroni & Cheese dinners. The side dishes are Slovenian Home Fries, French Fries,

Polenta, Macaroni & Cheese, Cabbage & Noodles, Applesauce and Cole slaw. Try the freshly baked strudel for dessert. A children's menu is also available.

For additional information, take out orders or reservations of 8 or more, please call 216/481-5378. The Slovenian Workmen's Home is location at 15335 Waterloo Road, Cleveland.

# The Winter Reggae Fest

The Winter Reggae Fest takes place on Bob Marley's 71st birthday. Featured entertainment will be Cleveland's I-TAL and southwest Florida's SOWFLO. SOWFLO is an acronym for southwest Florida. I-Tal is credited as being one of the very first reggae bands in the United States, debuting in 1978. They play original "roots reggae" which emphasizes the traditional reggae beat and messages of independence, unity, Rastafari and has a great party beat. SOWFLO is a modern rock/reggae band of young white boys who are fast becoming a national band. Their influence on reggae is from bands like Sublime. SOWFLO has a very up-tempo reggae sound with a fantastic trombone player. Also at the Winter Reggae Fest will be Jamaican food, art & crafts and Bob Marley movies. This event is \$15 in advance with tickets sold at the bar

and \$20 if any are left, at the door. Doors at 8:00. All ages.

NEED A FREE RIDE: A Reggae Party Bus will debut the night of the reggae fest with three bars involved in the shuttle. A bus will make rounds between three bars: The ABC on West 25th, The Ontario Lounge on Public Square and Packy Malley's. The bus will be free for passengers! The bus schedule is:

ABC
7:00 8:00 12:00 1:00

ONTARIO STREET CAFÉ
7:15 8:15 12:15 1:15

PACKY MALLEY'S
7:45 8:45 12:45



# Live Music In February

1:45 then back to ABC.

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Thursday	4	Craic Brothers Irish
	5	Reid Project Blues
Saturday	6	Kristine Jackson
	Winter 1	Reggae Fest / I-Tal & Sowflo
Tuesday	9	Fat Tuesday + Mardi Gras
		= PartiGras! Gras
Thursday	11	Ed Feighan Irish
Friday	12	Cat's on Holiday
	Clevelands H	ardest Working Roots Band
Saturday	13	Waterloo Boogaloo
	50's 60's	s Soul/Fun/Rock Dance Party
Thursday	18	Guinness Bill Irish
Friday	19	The Ark Band Reggae
Saturday	20	TBA
Thursday	25	No Strangers Here Irish
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#### Polka Time

by Pat Nevar

It's Polka Time at the "Waterloo Ballroom" of the Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Road, Cleveland. After a short holiday/winter break the Sunday dances will begin on February 7th. The doors open at 2:00 PM and the music is from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM. The cost per person is only \$10.00. A cash bar and food will be available. The bands appearing for your dancing and listening enjoyment are as follows:

February 7 - Wayne Tomsic

February 14 - Bobby Kravos February 21 - Frank Moravcik February 28 - Aaron Dussig March 6 - Mickey Dee March 13 - Aaron Dussig March 20 - Rex Taneri March 27 - Easter - No Dance April 3 - Joey Tomsick

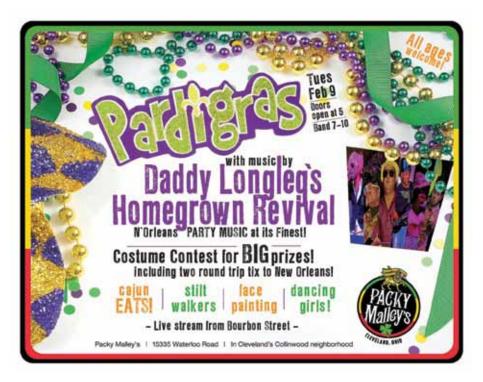
# Fat Tuesday + Mardi Gras = Partigras!

A new Cleveland tradition is born! Daddy Longleg's Homegrown Revival will liven up the place with their funk brand of New Orleans's party music! Complete with costumes, feathers and beads this will bring Bourbon Street to Waterloo Road! Stilt walkers, dancing girls, face painters, live feed form Bourbon Street and of course lot's of Gumbo and Cajun food! Admission is only \$5 with tickets in advance for sale at the bar. All ages welcome. Lent begins the next day.

For reservations of 8 or more or for ad-

ditional information, please call 216/481-

5378 or e-mail us at swh-waterloo@sbc-





# Community

# A Call to Collinwood Business **Owners and Community**





The Young Leaders Program is a 501c3 non profit after school program located in the Collinwood Recreational Center. What we do is teach 6th -12th graders leadership skills and life skills. This includes teaching critical thinking, problem solving and community responsibility . We are a group of young adults working towards rebuilding our community and the people

in it. We strive to make a positive impact on everyone we encounter especilly all of our teens in our program. We are a new program this is our first year and we are already receiving great community feed back. The teens in our program are learning and having fun while doing it. There is only one problem we are facing.Right now we are in need of sponsors and volunteers .

We need help from our community to

# The Waterloo Alley Cat Project Seventh Annual Fundraiser



The Waterloo Alley Cat Project is very happy to announced their 7th annual fundraiser that is being held on Saturday, February 20, 2016 featuring a vegetarian buffet dinner along with basket raffles and silent auctions from 6:30 to 9 pm being held at The Beachland Ballroom, 15711 Waterloo Road. At 9:30 there will be a live music show headlined by The Sadies from Toronto and Ethan Daniel Davidson from Detroit! The proceeds from this event will be used for spay/neuter costs, vet bills, shelter and food for the cat colonies that the trap-neuter-return group oversee.

The Waterloo Alley Cat Project grew out of a couple of friends sharing a concern over the overpopulation of homeless cats and kittens around Waterloo Road's business district. The project has now grown into an 3 member volunteer organization that has spayed/neutered over 250 cats since 2009. They have been awarded 5 grants: including two from the ASPCA in Washington, D.C. They were also featured the U.S. Humane Society's national publication in 2013 as an example of a successful grassroots community trap-neuter-return organization.

This is not an event just for cat lovers; this is about helping to build a stronger community from the heart.

continue to make a impact in our community. We need volunteers to come in and help our teens with homework. We need community assistance with our community service projects. We also need funding for class supplies, uniforms, field trips and events that we throw for the teens in our program. We need permission to use space for some of our staff collect donations ( outside of volunteers this is most needed).

Overall we would love to collaborate with the people of our community in making our community better. Our staff and teens need your support! If you are interested in being a help or if you have any further questions please contact Vice President Breauna Sweeney 216 622-5849.



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# **LEARN MORE AT: BALLOTBOXPROJECT.ORG**

# O.H. Perry's Pre-K Party!

Learn with Thomas the Train for scholars entering Kindergarten and their families.

Saturday, February 20th Date: Time: 10:00am -1:00pm

Place: O.H. Perry Elementary School 18400 Schenely Ave.

FREE Meal.

**FREE** Thomas the Train Book.

FREE Art Project.

**FREE** Hands on learning about trains!

This event is a partnership between O.H. Perry, Northeast Shores & Salvation Army. Funding by Cleveland Neighborhood Progress & Cleveland Transformation Alliance.

Spend the morning and a meal with the principal and staff of O.H. Perry, a mid-performing school in Collinwood.

Experience the culture of O.H. Perry and find out how to get your scholar registered early.

RSVP by Feb. 12 to Julia DiBaggio at 216-481-7660 or jdibaggio@northeastshores.org



# Senior Page

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#### Winter Skincare for Seniors

by Jeanne Hoban

Director of Marketing Communications The Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Winter is upon us, and Mother Nature is not especially kind this time of year. With cold temperatures, harsh wind chills and a constant stream of snowfall, it is important to make sure you are protected from the elements. Seniors especially need to practice proper skin care during this season. As we age, our skin become thinner, loses fat, and no longer looks as smooth as it used to. Scratches, cuts, and bruises take longer to heal, wrinkles and age spots appear, and skin becomes dry and itchy. In the winter, dryness and itching are a major nuisance that can lead to more serious issues if not addressed. Practicing proper skin care is quick, simple, and essential during these winter months

#### Stay Hydrated

72% of our skin's weight is water, so staying hydrated helps keep it maintained. Make sure you drink plenty of fluids throughout the day and eat foods high in water content like soup, fruit and vegetables.

#### Use a Humidifier

Humidifiers have a number of benefits besides just hydrating your skin. They also

relieve sinus pressure and congestion, help speed up healing from winter ailments and they may even alleviate snoring. Moisturize

This is perhaps the most obvious treatment, but it is also important: make sure you use adequate lotions or moisturizers, and apply when skin is moist. Avoid scented lotions as they may further irritate the skin. In general, the thicker the lotion, the more protection it offers. **Avoid Hot Water** 

When showering or bathing, make sure you use warm water instead of hot. It's tempting to take long hot showers when we're cold, but this is bad for dry skin. You might consider showering every other day, rather than daily, during the winter and avoid harsh soaps.

#### **Be Cautious of Certain Medications**

Some medicine can cause problems for your skin. For instance, they may destroy the lining of your nasal passages, which lead to nose bleeds. Medications for high blood pressure, cholesterol and allergies often cause dryness. If you are concerned about the negative effects your medication is having on your skin, consult with your physician for alternative options.

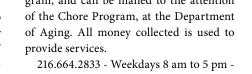
#### **Chore Services** This program provides free home mainte-

nance for moderate to low income Clevelanders aged 60 and up. It helps residents live independent lifestyles while improving and maintaining the City's appearance.

Chore workers are City employees who provide services such as general and heavy house cleaning, lawn mowing, removing/ installing storm windows, painting (limited), simple home repairs, and carpet cleaning. They will also install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and remove

snow. Chore indoor services are primarily available from December to March.

Donations are accepted to support the pro-



gram, and can be mailed to the attention

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# **Healthy Living for Older Adults**

On February 17, The Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging will host a special day-long event for older adults, providing health information and hands-on experiences that examine the causes of chronic disease. This program will provide seniors with skills and resources to reduce stress, engage in healthy eating and help them to enjoy an active and high-quality life.

Topics and activities include: manag-

ing chronic illness, managing stress, tapping, reiki, relaxation, diet and nutrition, exercise and other activities that promote healthy living.

The session is free to attend, but registration is necessary. To register go to: benrose.org/education or call 216.373.1610. Event will be held at 11890 Fairhill Rd., Cleveland, Ohio 44120 from 9 am - 2pm.

Content courtesy of the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Marketing team.

# **Great Lakes Theatre Senior Matinee** Tickets \$15

by Melissa Gleeson

For information call or email 216-453-1067 or Cfornadel@GreatLakes-Shows in February and March

Agatha Christie's Murder Mystery Classic, AND THEN THERE WERE NONE Showing Feb. 25 and March 3, 2016 at 10 am at the Hannah Theatre

# **Aging Mastery Program**

The Cleveland Department of Aging and Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging will be running the Aging Mastery Program® at Cleveland Recreation & Senior Centers in

The 10-week Aging Mastery Program® (AMP), developed by the National Council on Aging, encourages mastery - developing behaviors across many dimensions that will lead to improved health, stronger financial security, and overall well-being. By participating in this program, older

adults will: Make and maintain small but impactful changes in your health behaviors, financial well-being and enrichment in later life. Get REAL incentives and rewards for tak-

Meet new friends, provide support and encouragement to your peers, and become more involved in your community.

ing small steps that can improve your well-

The Aging Mastery Program® (AMP) is a comprehensive and fun approach to aging well that encourages people to take actions to enhance their health, financial wellbeing, social connectedness, and overall quality of life. Central to the AMP phi-

10:00 Coffee and chat

Bingo

with friends

Activities

12:30

10:30 Various

11:30 Lunch

losophy is the belief that modest lifestyle changes can produce big results and that people can be empowered and supported to cultivate health and longevity. Equally important, the program encourages mastery—developing sustainable behaviors over time. Participants in AMP go through a 10- week core program with speakers and

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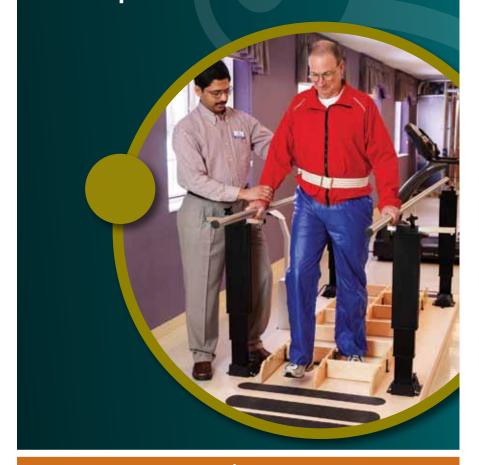
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