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# The Salvation Army Dedicates Cleveland Temple Corps in Collinwood

## by Megan Torok

The Salvation Army is inviting community members to celebrate the opening of the new Cleveland Temple Corps at a ribbon cutting ceremony and dedication service on Sunday, March 19th at 3:00pm at 17625 Grovewood Avenue. After the service, visitors will be able to tour the building and see the exciting offerings now available to area residents.

Captains Daniel and Karen Alverio, who oversee the new facility, have been overwhelmed with the positive response since the building opened last November. "Participation in our programs has nearly doubled. We are grateful for the support we've received. Our goals are to create a welcoming and safe place to worship, provide assistance, offer educational programs, life skills training and access to health and fitness resources here in Collinwood", said Captain Daniel Alverio.

The Salvation Army Temple Corps provides a variety of services to the commu-

nity. Some examples include hosting a hot meal program every Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoon in partnership with area churches, utility assistance, grocery assistance through their new Choice Food Pantry and referrals to other community resource organizations. Education programs for children are a priority at the Corps with the after school Learning Zone, and Summer Day Camp to keep a focus on learning all year round. Fitness programs have also become a real draw for children, teens and adults. There is open gym 6 days a week, a weight and workout room open daily and plans to begin basketball, volleyball, and soccer leagues.

Captain Daniel and Karen, along with their staff, are committed to providing as much support to the community as possible. "We are providing best-in-class programs and we expect high outcomes. If we are serving God, and the needs of our community, then we have to give them our best. This facility is a representation of our best."



The Salvation Army Cleveland Temple Corps will hold dedication service on March 19th.

# 1908 Collinwood School Fire Memorialized through 100 year-old Local Church



by Reverend Tammy Hill

The history of Cleveland holds an irreparable and indelible mark when referring to March 4, 1908. This is the day that almost every family in the Collinwood neighborhood tragically lost at least one child on Ash Wednesday morning at Lakeview in the basement and spread quickly. Children panicked and became confused. Narrow hallways and flames forced children to run in many directions; many falling on top of one another and becoming trapped in a pile just inside the entrance. Parents fought to recover their children, but many make it out alive. In total, 172 children, 2 teachers, and a rescuer died that morning. White ribbons marked hundreds of family doors effected by the disaster. Funeral processions occurred daily for weeks. Many families lost multiple children. No one in Cleveland and around the world were immune to the heartbreak.

Laura Baldwin was an 11 year-old girl that was lost that day. Her parents Nicholas and Emma (as well as many other families of the victims) received monetary compensation from the government for their loss. The Baldwins purchased multiple land lots on Pawnee Avenue and their families moved together on the same street. On October 1st, 1917, the congregation of the Sunflower New thought Spiritualist Association Church was born. Emma's brother, Reverend William H. Kost, was the congregation's first Pastor. On February 12th, *(continued on page 2)* 

# **Celebrating Collinwood**



School on E. 152nd Street. The fire started

still perished. In fact, about half did not

# Whats on David Bowies Playlist?



## by NSDC Staff

A big thanks to all the residents, supporters, and Northeast Shores' Board and Committee Members who came out to enjoy this year's Taste the Neighborhood held at the Lithuanian Club. Since proceeds from the event went towards the construction of the LaSalle Arts and Media Center, it was appropriate for the theme to be "A Night on the Red Carpet". The night was filled with glitz and glam from photo booth to raffle prizes. Special thanks to The Humphrey Popcorn Company for providing popcorn balls that decorated the tables and served as a special treat for everyone to take home. A big shout out to all those who made the night a success, including the 22 restaurants that participated, all those who donated to the raffle, the dynamic team of volunteers

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What is on David Bowie's Playlist? Come to St. Jerome Church, located at 15000 Lakeshore Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44110 on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:30pm and find out when CityMusic Cleveland Chamber Orchestra presents a tribute to the pop icon and the composers who influenced his work. Free and family friendly. Cleveland MetroParks with regard to the

timetable on the reconstruction of the his-

toric pier and bluff areas at Euclid Beach.

Announcements will be coming in the near

future regarding other positive improve-

ments for the parks. NEORSD is presently

working on Euclid Creek south of East

185th Street addressing and repairing the

There has been a change of leadership at

the Northeast Shores Development Corpo-

ration and I look forward to working with

the Staff as well as the new Board. I encour-

age all residents to get involved in both of

our development corporations. Their work

is critical for the growth and development

of our community. Collinwood Notting-

ham Villages Dev. Corp. services our com-

munity south of the CSX tracks and may be

reached at (216) 383-9772 and Northeast

Shores Dev. Corp. services our community

north of the tracks and may be reached at

On a personal note, I wish to inform all

Ward 8 residents, that after long consider-

ation, thought and prayer, I have decided to

seek re-election to the Ward 8 Council seat.

I don't have to tell anyone how strongly I

feel about our Ward 8 community and the

Greater Collinwood area. My legislative

record and my attendance record speak for

themselves; in fact, I put them up against

anyone who has ever served in Cleveland

City Council. I look forward to seeing

many of you at our ward's events and meet-

ings throughout this Spring, Summer and

Speaking of elections, the councilmem-

bers who will be elected this November 8th,

will once again have to deal with redistrict-

ing and redrawing ward boundaries. Then,

who knows what is going to happen with

East Cleveland which may entail redistrict-

ing once again. We all know what we went

through the last time we had to redraw

our ward boundaries with efforts to divide

the greater Collinwood community. I am

committed to protecting the Ward 8 com-

munity from any further disenfranchise-

As always, you may reach me at my of-

fice at (216) 664-4236 or via email at mpo-

ment during this redistricting process.

lensek@clevelandcitycouncil.org.

concrete abutment walls.

(216) 481-7660

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March 2017

# Local, No-cost, Residential-Training Program Graduates Skilled Workers







by Gina M. Tabasso The background

classrooms.

# Community

# Councilman's Corner

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into Spring, there are a lot of activities and initiatives underway. Like flowers, come construction barrels. The biggest project is rebuilding of East

152 Street which has begun in earnest. This project, long overdue for the Greater Collinwood community, will run through all of this year and possibly into early 2018. Included in the project is a new road surface and the repair and replacement of gas & water lines and sewer work. Please be careful driving the roadway and watch for detours during the course of this much needed project which runs from Waterloo Road south to the East Cleveland line.

Cleveland City Council is presently holding General Fund Budget Hearings. I have a lot of questions with regard to the budget and city services and how the passage of Issue 32, the city income tax increase, will address those concerns. The Council has a lot of work to do and I look forward to being engaged over the next three weeks in this process. The budget we pass by April 1 MUST be a "real people's" budget with an emphasis on "quality of life" issues.

I wish to officially welcome to the Ward 8 community SunBelt Rentals, who have taken over the former George Whalley Co., on S. Waterloo Road. This will be their first eastside location specializing in renting and leasing of large and small construction equipment and supplies. Also, I would like to welcome Ghent Machine, who is relocating to the former Coyne Textile facility on Kirby Road, off Eddy Road, bringing 50 jobs from South Euclid. This is a real success story for they will occupy a building which was vacant bringing new life to his section of Kirby. I wish much success to these companies and others who believe that Ward 8 is a good place to do business. I was glad to be able to assist these companies in relocating to our ward with city assistance in the form of low interest loans and zoning help.

We are still awaiting an update from

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1927, one parcel of land at 19204 Pawnee Avenue was allocated to build a Spiritual Church in honor of the fire victims. Reverend Kost and his 2 sons (Harold and Wilbur) built the church that still stands today. In honor of the victims, the church changed its name to Memorial Spiritual Church. Some local families still remember the loss of their family members in 1908 and continue to maintain a connection with the church. 109 years later the tragedy still hits home each year as Memorial Spiritual Church remembers the victims in an annual memorial service.

Ask anyone who has visited the church about the "Spirit" and the "loving and welcoming feeling" that surrounds all that enter through its doors. It's a pilgrimage for many who wish to honor any soul that has crossed over and are now "in Spirit", and in traditional form, the church offers Spiritual Messages to comfort those who are still on this earth plane. The ethereal realm lives on through the church doors, and personal messages and miracles are not an uncommon occurrence. Some have experienced the presence of Angels and have heard disembodied voices and choirs that come

The weekly Sunday worship service starts

services are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month starting at 7 pm which is held as a benefit for the 100 year old congregation For more information about Memo-

You can also email the church at memorialchurch1927@gmail.com or call 216-538-0489. Memorial Spiritual Church, 19204 Pawnee Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44119.

please visit www.mscc2015.weebly.com.



# Join the Discussion at: www.collinwoodobserver.com

# COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**COLLINWOOD HOMEOWNERS MEETING** 1st Wednesday of the month 7:00 PM St Mary Church 15519 Holmes Avenue

EAST 185th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 2nd Tuesday of the Month 6:00 PM Lithuanian Hal 877 East 185th Street - next to Post Office

DEMOCRATIC WARD CLUB 2nd Wednesday of the Month 6:30 PM **Collinwood Slovenian Home** 15810 Holmes Avenue PRESIDENT: Councilman Polensek

EAST 156th STREET NEIGHBROHOOD ASSOCIATION 3rd Wednesday of the month 6:00 PM **Collinwood Recreation Center** 16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

**5th DISTRICT COMMUNITY RELATIONS** MEETING

3rd Wednesday of the month 6:00 PM **Collinwood Community Services Center** East 152 Street

EAST 140TH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 4TH Wednesday of the Month 6:00 PM **Collinwood Community Services Center** 

East 152 Street

OLIVER HAZARD PERRY (SCHOOL) COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE 1st Tuesday of the month 6:00 PM **Collinwood Recreation Center** 

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

Any questions about these meetings please feel free to call Mary Louise, Councilman Polensek's office, (216) 664-4236 or Julia DiBaggio, Northeast Shores Dev. Corp.. (216) 481-7660

from the amplifier speakers in various dialects without explanation. Paranormal investigators have recorded proof of these spiritual visitors during investigations. This is proof that the spirit lives on as God omised in Holy Scripture.

at 10:30 am and is offered to the public of any denomination. There is a prayer and healing circle weekly to pray for those in need followed by fellowship with refreshment for all to enjoy. Memorial Church is unique in that even though the weekly prayers are reminiscent of the Christian faith through scripture and prayer, visitors come from all walks of life and religion. Multiple religious beliefs and practices radiate among the concepts within the congregation. The concepts of meditation, karma, and reincarnation are explored. Spiritual gifts of prophesy, discernment of spirits, and healing facilitation creates a welcoming venue for all to participate and enjoy. Their motto is "All are welcome, come as you are!" With so many variable belief systems, Memorial believes that all become one in the name of God, Spirit, and Love, regardless of affiliation. Their popular message and healing







Are you aware of a skilled-workforce resource in your own backyard that can help your business fill positions or help someone you know get no-cost job training? At 13421 Coit Road, in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland, there are a bunch of yellow buildings behind a fence that look like a small college campus or a military base. They house Cleveland Job Corps offices and classrooms, its 100 employees and space for 346 residents, aged 16-24.

In 1964, as part of President Lyndon B Johnson's War on Poverty program, which also included Head Start, Job Corps began repurposing and renovating former military installations into dormitories and

The current Cleveland location is the third in the area and was built in 2007-2008. The first was on Ansel Road near Martin Luther King Blvd. The second was in the Tudor Arms Hotel on Carnegie Ave. There are 126 Job Corps locations in the United States with at least one in every state. In Ohio, there are three locations: Cleveland, Dayton and Cincinnati.

Owned by The U.S. Department of Labor, the facilities are operated by private contractors. Serrato Corporation of Tucson, Arizona has operated the Cleveland facility since 2012, in addition to Blue Ridge, Virginia, and is a subcontractor at the Charleston, West Virginia, facility.

Mr. William Houston has been the Cleveland center's director since 2012. He has been with Job Corps for 17 years and is a Dayton, Ohio, native. He says, "We have







evolved from an organization that was perceived as a last-ditch effort if a student didn't finish high school and have shifted to a residential vocational-training center for. We are seeing more students who finished high school and who want to take advantage of free technical career training. Often, students were homeless because of the current trend of couch surfing or crashing temporarily with family and friends. They usually have had jobs but want a career and don't want to pay \$10,000-20,000 for a college training program."

## How that happens

There are five phases to the program:

 Outreach and recruitment • Career preparation orientation (60 days receiving employability skills, customer service coaching and an array of selfassessments, as well as basic certifications, including information technology skills and program-placement assessments)

• Career development (six months to one year of training in the facility, offsite at Cuyahoga Community College and in work-based training internships; all transportation is provided)

• Career transition (one to two months prior to leaving, students work with staff to develop a departure plan while obtaining employability certificates and credentials , as well as resume and portfolio preparation)

• Student placement services for up to 1.5 years from graduation (centers are held by the government to a 92-percent placement goal for graduating students, which includes employment, the military, a college or advanced training)

During their time in the program, students receive free housing, basic medical care, meals, education, training, entertainment and recreation, and a biweekly livingallowance stipend that some save in order to become independent. They also are exposed to a positive normative culture with a zero-tolerance policy (no drugs or alcohol, bullying, violence, weapons or arrests). Students can go home on the weekends and during the holidays. They are drug tested upon admission.

The program is self-paced; so, students can start any day of the year and graduate all year long, not in a set semester-style like other schools. Last year, Cleveland had an 89-percent placement rate. But, to keep that percentage high, they need the help of local companies.

# What's in it for employers

The Job Corps screens graduates and works with employers as a pipeline for graduate placement. The organization produces future workers and feeds the workforce with well-trained, motivated, entry-level employees. Employers can provide students with the training that they need while, at the same time, giving the student a "trial run" in a paid or unpaid internship. When students graduate, many companies end up hiring them because the students already have basic safety skills, life skills, industry certifications and on-the-job training, unlike hiring someone from a temporary or job-placement agency.

Some of the local companies that have benefited by hiring graduates include Don-





ley's Construction, Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals, John Carroll University, Swagelok and Pipefitters.

The Cleveland facility trains students in four industries: advanced manufacturing (facilities maintenance, machine technology and welding), construction (heavy equipment operator, bricklaying and carpentry), health care (child care development, clinical medical assistant, medical administrative assistant, nurse assistant/ home health aide, emergency medical technician), and security and protective services. Job Corps currently is partnering with Dan T. Moore Company and Workroom Program Alliance to equip a welding and machine shop on campus so that students do not need to travel to Tri-C.

In closing, Houston says, "We want to increase awareness that there's a training facility preparing young adults for the workforce right here in Cleveland at no cost to the student. Our mission is to get young adults ready, and they are willing and able. These are the youth who stood up and decided to be proactive. They're here, not on the streets. They have the skills, training, education and drive to become your next great employee."

If you're interested in partnering with Cleveland Job Corps, you can contact Harriet Hadley, business community liaison, at 216-541-2526 or Hadley.Harriet@jobcorps. org.Gina M. Tabasso, marketing communications specialist, HGR Industrial Surplus, www.hgrinc.com

cision 1st Commercial Cleaning, Calhoun

Creations Automotive, Smiths Funeral

home ,Seivers Security, Euclid Paninis,

Always Beautiful Hair & Nail Salon, Fresh

Catch Seafood, Uniquely Yours Boutique&

Pour it up bartending. Its very important

for us to thank these busineseses and to let

the community know what businesses are

supporting our kids in being a leader and

growing . Our Young Leaders staff would

also like to thank these businesses because

without them we wouldnt be able to con-

tinue to service our community and effec-

tively do our jobs. Everyone please take the

time out to support these businesses after

all they have supported our kids as they try

to stay on the right path. Thank You and

thank you to all our local businesses it re-

ally does take a village to raise our kids. If

anyone is interested in getting involved in

anyway contact Breauna Sweeney 216-622-

5849 or visit our website at www.Young-

leadersprograms.org.

by Michael Prokop

as personally making the famous whip. products.

by Sr. Madeline Muller

# **Proud to Serve**



Jenkins)



# Events

by Breauna Sweeney

Young Leaders Program is a 501c3 non

profit organization who adresses the needs

of our Youth & community. Our mission is

to inspire a positive culture through service

and a contemporary approach. We provide

skills such as personal development, critical

thinking, life skills and problem solving.

We would like to take the time to thank the

local businesss for sponsoring our organi-

zation even if it was just for a month. It is

very important for us to let the community

know about the good deeds of the business

owners in our community. If it was not

for these businesses our 6th-12th graders

would not be able to do community ser-

vice, enjoy arts & crafts in our class room

,go on field trips and be able to wear nice

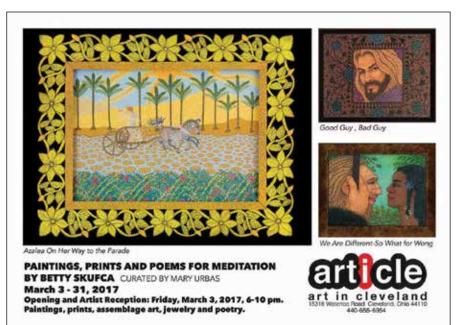
uniforms. The businesses who supported us

are Collinwood Academy Daycare, Larry's

Auto Clinic ,Bari Beauty & Health Plus

LLC, Millard Fillmore Presidential Library

,Chilli Peppers Fresh Mexican Grill, Pre-



# **Celebrate Red Cross Month by** giving blood in March



## by Christy Peters

During Red Cross Month in March, the American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to join in its lifesaving mission by giving blood.

Since 1943, every U.S. president has designated March as Red Cross Month to recognize how the Red Cross helps people across the country and around the world. Red Cross Month is a celebration of supporters, who are the face of the Red Cross in their communities and bring hope to people facing emergencies.

need firsthand. His wife required 12 units of blood during emergency surgery following the birth of their son. "If it had not been for blood donors, she might not have survived," he said. "Thanks to generous blood donors, I still have a wife and my kids still have their mom. I can't possibly thank those people in person, but I can give a little piece of me back with each donation for the greater good."

Blood donor Timothy Sheely knows the

The Red Cross depends on blood donor heroes across the nation to collect enough blood to meet the needs of patients at approximately 2,600 hospitals nationwide. Donors of all blood types, especially type O, are needed to help those rely on blood products.

# Youth event asks, "What do you see? How would you fix it?"

## by Erin Randel

Registration is now open for the 4th annual Youth Solutions Congress, where Cuyahoga County youth are invited to share their perspective on and offer solutions to the challenges they see in their community. It will be held Saturday, March 25th at Cleveland State University's Main Classroom building.

The event is free, but space is limited. School and civic clubs are welcome to attend in groups. Register online at neighborhoodleadership.org.

Check-in and breakfast start at 9 am. The Congress opens in the auditorium at 10 am, with a keynote by Ohio Rep. Stephanie Howse, followed by breakouts on Issues, Assets & Challenges, and Solutions. Issues will focus on six broad categories-recreation, health, employment, education, safe-

ty and civic engagement. It will close with a solutions report-out by the participants, and an awards ceremony for the winners of our Future Leaders are Readers Essay Challenge. Lunch is provided.

The Youth Solutions Congress is presented by Neighborhood Leadership Institute with the support of MyCom and Voices for Ohio's Children. CSU's Main Classroom building is located on E. 22nd with entrances on both Euclid Ave. & Chester Ave. Parking meters in the area are free on Saturdays. Bus passes are available, call Donté Gibbs for more information, (216) 658-1356.

Neighborhood Leadership Institute exists to improve the quality of life for people in Greater Cleveland through grassroots leadership development and community engagement

# Celebrating Collinwood (continued from front page)

from Villa Angela- St. Joseph and to our wonderful sponsors Hospice of the Western Reserve, Third Federal, Euclid Hospital, and Family Sports & Lettering!

The highlight of the night was when new Board President Scott Andrew Mills and Interim Executive Director Camille Maxwell presented outstanding community members with this year's awards: Collinwood Hall of Fame inductee, Caroline Peak; Resident of the Year, Rhonda McLean; Business of the Year, Gus's Diner; and Councilman Mike Polensek for Investment of the Year for Veteran's Park for his tireless efforts to complete the project.

As you think, so shall you become. - Bruce Lee

Spring into the Library for Exciting **Programs!** CMNH Vouchers are provided to the

Young Leaders Business Appreciation

by Kiaira Jefferson Cleveland Public Library - Collinwood branch every month and are available to check out with your Library card! Each Branch Library 856 East 152nd St, Cleveland, OH 44110 voucher allows FREE admission for two adults and four children. Vouchers must be

216-623-6934 cpl-collwd@cpl.org **Youth Programs:** 

# Kids Café

Visit the Collinwood Branch Library after school for Kids Café provided by the Cleveland Food Bank!

Monday - Friday, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Produce for Cleveland

a partnership with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. One free (5 pound) bag of produce per household, per week while supplies last.

Tuesdays (Contact branch for delivery schedule)

FREE Tutoring in All subjects: Grades K – 8

Free one-on-one and/or group tutoring and homework help offered in partnership with Cleveland State University's America Reads tutoring services.

Monday - Thursday, 3:00pm - 6:00pm Cleveland Museum of Natural History (CMNH):

# **Keys to Housing Resource Fair Brings Various Housing Resources** Together in Collinwood!

Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

Are you a homeowner who's ever faced a sudden home repair? Are you looking to purchase a home but feel lost in the world of mortgages, interest rates, credit reports, appraised values / market values, and more? Are you renting your home and have concerns about your rights a tenant? Do you just feel that there's no help for housing issues like these? If any of these questions apply to you then you cannot miss the 1st Annual Keys to Housing Resource Fair!

Organized by the Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation in partnership with St Clair Superior Development Corporation, the Keys to Housing Resource Fair will feature information for first-time homebuyers, existing homeowners, tenants and landlords, and will cover topics including homeownership, home

repair, weatherization, financial literacy, foreclosure prevention and much more. Invited organizations include local housing counseling agencies, financial institutions, realtors, fair housing agencies, Cuyahoga

sium, 15519 Holmes Ave Cleveland, Ohio 44110

This event brings a host of housing related businesses and organizations together in one place, and is a must attend event for anyone who's had any questions relating to housing. We hope to see you there! If you are interested in attending this event please register by phone (216) 383-9772 ext: 101 or online at https://www.eventbrite. com/e/keys-to-housing-resource-fair-tickets-32359728820

Thursday, March 23rd at 4:30pm

County, and The City of Cleveland. Date: Saturday May 6, 2017 from 10:00am -2:00pm

Location: St. Mary's Church Gymna-

5:00pm Museum of Art. Thursday, March 9th at 3:00pm

cape and mask! Thursday, March 16th at 4:30pm

Hungry for something fun and fruity? Prepare frozen treats, learn about how ice forms, and enjoy something sweet!

## Reedy, in partnership with Leah Lewis, of Kent State University communicate the biological story of variation in human skin color in a fun and creative way. Friday, March 3rd and 10th, 3:30pm -Free, fresh produce distributed through

Kids! On Race

Art and Transportation

Join us for an amazing Art to Go program presented by employees of the Cleveland

redeemed within 30 days of checking out.

Join us as Dr. Linda Spurlock and Crystal

You Are Incredible!

Today is Incredible Kid Day and you'll feel that much more super with your very own

# Frozen Fruit Treats!

# Community

# **Baker's Chocolate Whips**

For the 2017 Easter season Humphrey Popcorn Company is pleased to be able to continue the fine tradition of the Baker's Candy Famous Chocolate Whips.

Working with us this year is the grandson of the original owners of Baker's Candy. He will be overseeing the operation, as well

He brings to us years of experience, ensuring the same quality product that customers have loved for years. In addition to the whips we will be offering an expanded assortment of Easter candy, and our popcorn WHERE TO PURCHASE

Our interim store location 20010 Lakeshore Blvd. Euclid (corner of e200th and Lakeshore Blvd. across from our Lady of the Lake Church) Parking directly behind the building access of e200th.

# DATES AND TIME

March - weekends begining March 11 10:00am - 2:00pm

April - 1st thru April 15th - weekdays 1:00pm to 7:00pm weekends 10:00am to 2:00pm

website - humphreypopcorn.com phone 216-662-6629 - 800-486-3739 (shipping available)

# **Community Garden at 154th Street**

Do you like fresh fruits and vegetables? Do you like to garden? Here's how it works. The garden is located at 794 E 154th St.

You, your family, friends or neighbors choose a raised bed, or part of a bed, and plan the vegetables you want to plant.

Decide whether you want to grow seedlings during the winter months and transplant them into the beds in the Spring or whether you want to plant seeds directly

into the beds come spring. There are pros and cons to each method. We can help you choose.

- Plant them
- Nurture them, i.e. weed and water. • Harvest them for yourself and neighbors.
- Bring your own tools. Contact Sr. Madeline Muller via email

mmuller68@gmail.com or phone 216-408-0214. We hope to schedule a meeting towards the end of March.



**Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic** 

The Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries House 15706 St. Clair

# Sr. Madeline Muller

The Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries (CNCM) announces two new healing initiatives to advance the health and welfare of Collinwood residents: The Healthy Mothers; Healthy Babies project and a healing center. Both are scheduled to begin this Spring and Summer. These programs will be held at the CNCM House, located at 15706 St Clair Ave. (across from

the Doller General Store) and at the 154th Street Community Garden.

Pregnant mothers will learn the value of proper nutrition as they grow and harvest their own vegetables in a community garden, attend nutrition classes, access the services of a doula and participate in a support group.

Those who have experienced trauma, such as victims of human trafficking and other forms of violence as well as those of us who experience the stress of daily living will benefit from the CNCM Healing Center. The Center will offer cranial sacral therapy and reiki. Jennifer Corlett, OSU from the former Sophia Center and Ann Winters, OSU from the Ursuline Reiki Clinic are masters and teachers of their respective modalities. Jennifer is a practitioner and teacher of cranial sacral therapy, a non-invasive process for using the inherent health in the body for relieving stress and working toward healing. Ann Winters is the Reiki Master who has brought Reiki energy to thousands in Cleveland

# **Rising Collinwood Star**



MEDITERRANEAN SEA (Dec. 30, 2016) Electronics Technician 3rd Class Tashana Lewis, from Cleveland, checks the gages of the 49 SKID cooling system aboard the guided-missile cruiser USS Monterey (CG 61) during her daily checks. Monterey, deployed as part of the Eisenhower Carrier Strike Group, is conducting naval operations in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations in support of U.S. national security interests in Europe. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class William



# **Joyce Ramey** Palumbo (3/19/1954 - 1/27/2017)



Childhood pals from E. 156th, Joyce Ramey Palumbo and Mary Jane lanetta Hallahan at Mirabile's by William McCulloch

# **Old Friends**

Hey, old friend What d'ya say, old friend? Are you okay, old friend? Are we, are we unique? Time goes by Everything else keeps changing You and I, we can Continue next week, yeah Most friends fade Or they don't make the grade New ones are quickly made And in a pinch, sure they'll do But us, old friend What's to discuss, old friend? Here to us, who's like us? Damn few

Song lyrics by Stephen Sondheim (b 3/22/1930) from musical Merrily We Roil Along (1981)

## Rubaiyat verse - A Calling

Early one morning I heard an angelic chime Bringing news of a loving and joyous clime Pursuit of the unimportant is the worst crime

Live in joy & love before the end of your

by Omar Khayyam (5/18/1048-12/4/1131) Nishapur, Persia, present day Iran



by Stephanie Saddler

In March 2015 Local Native George Blade Jr. custom built a motorcycle from various metal parts that actually can run right out his own garage. He took 2nd place in the competition and once again he is BACK this year and will be one of the vendors at this year 2017 Auto Rama at the IX Indoor Center March 17-19. He will be unveiling his 2017 Go Boy Customs Trike not like no other. If you thought his custom built motorcycle was nice just wait till you see the unveiling of his new trike. All custom built from various metal parts and will be ready and regulated to be ran on city streets

He is a self taught welder who can weld and create just about anything with scrap pieces. What makes this bike unique is that unlike other custom built trikes, motorcycles and bikes, he used various scrap pieces such as tractor tires, bbq grill pieces, steel bars and various steel and metal items purchased from home depot and junkyards.

George Blade Jr. born and raised in the Collinwood area of 146th & St Clair. He attended East Clark Elementary, St Joseph middle School and Collinwood high School. He has always been a very talented young man. He was an excellent player on the junior varsity and varsity basketball team. Won various dunk contest and played with the Harlem road king bball squad for a few years. His love for building started at a young age with Lego (which he still have to this day). He is also involved with world renowned fitness guru Philip Weeden as one the extreme hip hop boyz and also he also custom built the

play stage set for world renowned playwright Philly Weeden hit play traveling the world "Soul Mate"

"My name is George Blade Jr., a builder/ welder/ fabricator. Father of two gorgeous children, I am devoted to family, hard work, and building a better life. Grew up in Cleveland, OH all my life. Inspired by the phrase "unbuildable" is what feeds my creativity. My goal is to push to limits of design and build the some would say unbuildable machines. My Cleveland based company Go Boy Customs is owned and operated by me and all my machines are built by me. I started this dream in my garage about 5 years ago building cus tom cars and bikes with my dad, who passed a couple years ago, I must continue to push the envelope of creativity and design. I just love the "wow" factor."

He also has launch two other brand to his empire Go Boy Customs which is Go Boy Designs and Go Boy Concepts. He plans to conduct FREE class to young men who want to learn basic welding techniques in Fall 2017. He is also well known around town for various custom works requested from consumer so keep a look out for this rising star.

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## March 2017

by Nan Kennedy

creative listening.

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# Bike News and Collinwood Bicyclist of the Month



by Kath Sonnhalter

like to get involved

bikeEuclid@gmail.com. Coming up soon

# Community

# A Neighborhood Moving Forward: Together



by Christen DuVernay

I was recently elected to the Northeast Shores Board of Directors in an election that boasted a record turn out. I've seen numerous stories printed and heard from folks in the neighborhood about what a disappointment or what a victory this was. Even as an individual who was voted in during that meeting, I found the election and the conversations following it quite troubling for many reasons, a few of which I hope to outline here.

First, there have been insinuations made

that the seven of us who were recently elected ran together with the intention of serving together. I agreed to run at the urging from several board members. Some of those that motivated me to run for a position on the board were voted off the same night I was voted on, making my experience bittersweet. While some individuals may have taken part in a strategy that I was not privy to, I did not. I never would participate in such endeavors and I never will. It is my belief that the community should have the opportunity to vote for those that

they feel best represent their interests in a transparent process. If I was not one of those people, I was more than willing to accept that outcome and find different ways to continue to serve the neighborhood I call home. In talking with a couple of the other new board members, they have echoed similar sentiments.

Second, I am concerned at the rhetoric I've heard that seems to suggest that the seven of us being voted on will somehow "fix" a problematic board or organization. I find this to be incredibly condescending and disrespectful to individuals who have served on the board and staff for many years with limited resources and done an amazing job. I looked forward to serving alongside those individuals who have served our community with pride, dignity and respect for decades before some of the newly elected board members even considered being residents of this community. I am disappointed that I will not have the opportunity to serve beside some of them in a formal capacity although I know that they will continue to serve our neighborhood in various ways. I am and will continue to be incredibly grateful to each of them for their dedicated service to Northeast Shores and the Collinwood community.

Third, I noticed the representation in the space during the election and it troubled me. Though there may have been a record turn out I did not see our community reflected very well in the faces around the room. The space was overwhelmingly white and upper middle class, and I don't need to tell you that our neighborhood is not. If we truly want the work of this, or any, organization to reflect our community needs we

need participation from individuals that represent the totality of our community, not just the interests of a few. I am very interested in addressing this inequity of representation during my time serving on the board. I welcome conversation and engagement with my neighbors around how we can increase representation most effectively.

In short, Northeast Shores and the Board of Directors didn't need "saving" just as Collinwood doesn't. Cleveland is a scrappy city that survives and thrives. Collinwood is a strong, blue collar and hard-working community with rich assets- our residents being the richest of those. If we don't listen to the concerns and feedback from our entire community, then we risk making detrimental mistakes or making decisions that have lasting negative outcomes for our neighbors. If we ignore the hard work and dedication of those who have gone before us or the energy around future possibilities we are doing ourselves and our community a incredible disservice.

I would encourage each of us to embrace both the past and future. I would ask each of us to have curious conversations with our neighbors. I would request that each of us keep our minds and hearts open to the experiences of those we live beside. This is the only way we can move forward TO-GETHER as one Collinwood rather than fall prey to divisiveness. In the words of Audre Lorde, "It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences." I believe that we can and hope we will do better.



# Community

# Variety Is the Spice of Music for Miles

Three Spring concerts at Waterloo Arts The Music for Miles season at Waterloo Arts opens on Sunday March 12 with the always impressive Impreza Trio, Eric Charnofsky at the piano, Emily Cornelius, violin and Lauren Dunseath, cello. Their program will combine minimalism with early and late romanticism – an exercise in

The Estonian composer Arvo Part is the minimalist. In his Mozart Adagio, what he called his tintinnabulation style is in balance with Mozart's composition, creating a sort of fusion of the 18th and 20th centu-

Beethoven and Brahms contribute the Romanticism. Beethoven published his

Piano Trio in C minor as Opus 1, No. 3 an announcement of his musical approach. When the pieces were first performed, probably in 1793, Haydn praised them but advised against publishing the third, and boldest, on the grounds it was too hard to understand. Critics repeated that judgement, but the buying public disagreed.

The Brahms Piano Trio #1 in B Major, Op. 8, is the only one of that composer's trios that ends in a minor key, and among the few multi-movement works to begin in a major key and end in the tonic minor (another example being Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony).

This musical elegance will be followed on April 9 by a drum circle, led by the master of that art, Karl Dustman, in an event that

turns the audience into players. This should be a good concert choice for young music lovers. Karl has an enormous collection of percussion instruments and years of experience playing everywhere from the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California, to Cleveland's CLASSICS restaurant to the Vienna Residence Orchestra in Austria.

And on Mothers' Day, May 14, Mary Beth Ions will come back with her singing violin and her infectious enthusiasm. Mary Beth has performed for Hillary Clinton and President Bush, as backup for Mannheim Steamroller and Sarah Brightman, at Blossom and on Playhouse Square. Her solo programs are virtually irresistible.

All the concerts will be held in Waterloo's Creative Space at 397 E156, at 4 pm on a second Sunday. Admission is free, children are welcome, conversation with the musicians is encouraged - as are glasses of wine or other refreshment from the adjoining Callaloo Café.

In March, the All-City Show, brought to us by the National Arts Program, will be hanging in the Waterloo Arts gallery. In April and May, the Art of the Book will be on display

These concerts are presented with the support of Local 4 Music Fund, the Music Performance Trust Fund, the Waterloo Arts Friends' Committee, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, and Ohio Arts Council.

Waterloo Arts, 15605 Waterloo Road Cleveland44110, 216-692-9500, waterlooarts.org.

Bike Euclid is a local advocacy group working to promote a comprehensive stress free bicycling network for transportation and pleasure, and to encourage and connect bicyclists to resources which support their safe and legal use of their bicycle. Bike Euclid is a chapter of Bike Cleveland. This close working relationship benefits residents of both communities as well as bicyclists throughout the region.

Bike Euclid's first meeting of the new year took place Thursday March 2, 2017, 6-8pm at Euclid Brewing Company 21950 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid, OH 44123. We discussed our work in 2016, events planned for 2017, and how to get involved. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to participate in a new initiative to map, track, and celebrate installation of new bike racks throughout the city of Euclid. To learn more go to the Bike Euclid page at www.facebook.com/ euclidBIKES, and message us if you would

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BIKEBIKE - A Commuting & Touring Forum, Sunday, April 23, 2017, 10am-3pm at the Beachland Ballroom: This is an exciting new event designed to enrich novice and expert alike. With an emphasis on active transportation and transportation equity, BIKEBIKE will showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more folks

to give it a try. Learn best routes, gear, and methods to make your journey a success! The forum will include panel discussions on Bicycling and the Law, Commuting, and Touring, as well as hands-on working sessions and opportunity to meet and connect with others. Sponsors include Bike Cleveland, NOACA (Northern Ohio Area Coordinating Agency), the Cleveland YMCA, Cuyahoga County Planning, and Ohio's Bike Lawyer, Steve Magas (who grew up in Euclid). A local woman will share her exciting experience touring the country by bike, and a local man will describe the workings of his handcycle. Workshops will be led by local bike shops and bike co-ops, including The Broadway Cyclery, Joy Machine, Blue Sky Bicycles, Village Cycle, Ohio City Bike Co-op, and St. Clair Bikeworks. Panel discussions on Touring, Commuting, and Law will be moderated by Radio Host and Author Diane (Lees) Jenks, The Outspoken Cyclist.

BIKEBIKE lavs the groundwork for May, National Bike Month, sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities across the country since 1956. Check our facebook page for the variety of ways you can celebrate National Bike Month in Euclid. Perhaps you have an idea we can help you promote. Look for more detail in the April and May Observers.

## March Bicyclist of the month Barb Clint, Collinwood resident.

# Where do you enjoy riding?

*I LOVE my commute to work, which varies* somewhat by the season. When I'm energetic and the winds are not too crazy, I take advantage of the best bike lanes in town on Lakeshore, then always enjoy the ride through Bratenahl. While the village doesn't have bike lanes they do a good job enforcing their speed limit, which makes for comfort-

able riding. But my FAVORITE part of my ride is the stretch along the lakeside bike trail from just above Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. to East 55th. The combination of the beautiful lake off to the side and the downtown skyline in the distance is spectacular. On my "cheater commutes," I put my bike on my husband's car and hop a ride to University Circle, then ride downtown from there, generally along Euclid Avenue. I must say that I'm less than impressed by the failed road conditions along Euclid--still relatively new roadway--OR by the way in which the city's road sweepers sweep all of the road debris INTO the bike lane. That's just maddening! But even with those considerations, it is a pretty comfortable ride.

## Do you ride year round? How do you dress for the cold?

*I am slowly evolving into a year-round rider,* although I don't ride on days where there's a lot of slush as I don't want to subject my bike to that. In terms of how I dress, I do a lot of layering. Usually I'll have a pair of leggings under my cords or whatever other slacks I'm wearing; an under armor base layer on the top, followed by my favorite smart wool long-sleeved top which I bought at Geigers downtown (shout out!), and often a windbreak UNDER my polar fleece, which I know is backwards, but it works. I bought a very lightweight but warm Columbia wind resistant shirt which nicely handles any cold air sneaking through my button up fleece. I also wear an under armor skull cap below my helmet which covers my ears. If it's really cold, I wear this cool "turtle fur" neck warmer which can stretch up over my head and even cover my mouth, also from Geigers. Wool socks are a must!

## You ride your bike to work. Describe the experience.

I am mostly a commuter cyclists although I aspire to get out there on the weekends with friends and ride for fun!. I always enjoy the Critical Mass rides when I do them and have done a few social rides which were really fun, but generally I just ride my bike to get from point a to b, as transportation. For the most part, my commuter experience has been positive, but I have the advantage of being able to start my work day answering emails from home and letting the rush hour traffic die down before I head into work. I am sure it would be more stressful if I was riding at the same time that folks were dropping kids at school, etc.. I like the fact that, on a bike, *I feel like I'm part of the community and en*joy saying hi to folks I encounter along the way. I also always make a point of nodding thank you to motorists who are being good drivers (i.e., stopping at a stop sign, rather

than creeping into the bike lane, yielding to me before making their turn across my path, etc.) My biggest concern is riding at dusk when visibility is bad as I have had a couple of close calls. We have a lot of elderly motorists in our area and on a couple of occasions they did not see me despite my bright front and rear bike lights, helmet lights, or flashing vest! I really do think the bike lanes have helped tremendously along Lakeshore through Cleveland.

## If you could change or improve one thing about the experience, what would it be?

Anyone who knows me knows that I have been working with a number of others to improve the riding experience all over town by developing the Midway Protected Bike Boulevard network, a plan to install center lane, two directional, landscape-buffered bike lanes, complete with their own signal system, all over town. Think of it as a system of linear parks connecting neighborhoods to each other and to key regional assets. Cleveland has lost 60% of its population since the 50's and has massively wide streets, many of which were former streetcar corridors, with low traffic volume. We have nothing but space to deal with! I look forward to the day when I'm a grandma and can go for a ride with my grandkids along a safe and stressfree facility like the Midway. Lakeshore Boulevard would be a PERFECT Midway corridor, by the way, all the way from Bratenahl out to Vine Street...and maybe even out to the Captains stadium!

## Why do you ride?

I bought my wonderful bike when I was 20, a Batavus Dutch 10-speed "boy's bike" which I just adore! I like how it looks; I like how it feels: I like how it just makes me happ For most of my day, I have a desk job and don't get any physical activity. At least with bike commuting, I can get an easy 20 mile commute in...or on my "cheater commutes" in the winter, 10 miles to and from University Circle. On days when I have meetings around town, though, it is not uncommon to hit 30 or more miles/day which really feels good. My longest ride in one day was my "birthday ride" last summer: 62 miles in honor of 62 years! I took a very meandering ride, mostly along the lake shore, out to my brother's bar--Dublin Down--in Ashtabula. I guess all this biking stuff is working out as I have begun to see a new doctor within the last year who, after getting the results of my blood work, etc., said "whatever you're doing, keep it up."

If you would like to be considered for Bicyclist of the Month, submit a photograph of yourself on your bike and your responses to bikeEuclid@gmail.com.

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Community

# Kasich honors Ginn Academy for innovation in education

## by CMSD News

The unique educational model at Ginn Academy has caught the attention of Ohio Gov. John Kasich

Kasich last month chose Ginn Academy, believed to be the only all-male public high school in the state, to receive one of seven Governor's School Innovation Awards. He also invited representatives from the school to a ceremony at the Ohio Statehouse.

Ginn Academy was one of only seven Ohio schools, districts and school networks selected for the award. The other winners are Bio-Med Science Academy, Cristo Rey Network High Schools, Dayton Early College Academy, Marietta City Schools, Marysville School District and Toledo School for the Arts.

Kasich held up these schools, districts and school networks as examples for others to look to as models of success.

"I want to do this bottom-up and look at the incredible things that some of these

schools are doing and get ourselves in a position where everybody can copy certain pieces of what it is that they do," Kasich

The Ginn Academy delegation that consisted of founder Ted Ginn Sr., Principal Nicholas Petty and several others had the chance to discuss the school with Kasich and answer his questions. Petty explained the school's 24-hour-a-day, four-year-long "life coach" mentoring program and the school's recent push to help students develop skills needed to enter the workforce.

Ginn Academy has partnered with manufacturers and other corporations, including Forest City Enterprises, to bring training right to the school, Petty said.

"We have some students going to college and some going to the workforce, so what we're doing is bringing the workforce into the school, and they're learning all these skills within the school," Petty said. Petty also discussed a partnership with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, which provides internships where students learn to test water for signs of pollution. Opportunities like these are funded in part by a \$250,000 grant the school received last year from KeyBank.

The school's four-year graduation rate was 94.4 percent last year, even higher than the District's rising 69.1 percent average. Students received more than \$3 million in college scholarships and 83 percent of graduates went to college or enlisted in the military, Petty said. The school helped find jobs for students who didn't go to college, he added

Ginn Academy senior Demerius Wynn, who attended the ceremony, told Kasich about his accomplishments in athletics and academics. Wynn is enrolled in the High Tech Academy program at Cuyahoga Community College that gives CMSD students the opportunity to take college classes while still in high school. Wynn expects to

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**Credit Plus Information Night** 

graduate in the spring with both his high school diploma and an associate degree and plans to attend Morgan State University on a full scholarship.

The school also brought along life coach Antoin Eley to tell the governor about the significant role that mentors play in supporting students' academic and emotional well-being.

"We give them no excuse not to become successful in high school," Eley said. "Our job is to know everything they're going through. We make sure they're in class; we attend funerals; if their grandmother is sick, we want to be at the hospital. We want to know everything that's going on so they can be successful."



# Lakeshore Intergenerational School Is **Now Enrolling!**



by Yoellie Perez

Lakeshore Intergenerational School is excited to begin enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year! We are currently looking to enroll students in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. Spaces are limited! If you are interested in enrollment for your child - don't wait! Please visit www.LakeshoreSchool. org to submit an application.

Parent Information Sessions are held on the first Wednesday of each month and are the best way to learn about what makes our school successful. Families considering registration may join us for our next Parent Information Session on April 5th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (18025 Marcella Road Cleveland, OH 44119). If you or someone you know would like to attend, please call our main office at 216-586-3872 to RSVP. We hope to see you there!

by John Horton

Learn how teens can earn college credit at no cost while in high school or middle school during a College Credit Plus Information Night from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at the Metropolitan Campus of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C).

The College Credit Plus program allows qualified students to take a single course or enroll full time at Tri-C while working

## toward their high school diploma. Successfully completed coursework counts as both college and high school credit. The statefunded program covers tuition and books at little to no cost for families, providing students a head start on degree attainment while reducing future college debt.

More than 3,000 students are attending Tri-C through College Credit Plus this academic year.

The College Credit Plus Information Night at Metropolitan Campus will be held in room 229 of the Unified Technologies Center, located at 2415 Woodland Ave. in Cleveland. Tri-C will host additional information sessions at Eastern Campus in Highland Hills (March 14); Western Campus in Parma (March 22); and Westshore Campus in Westlake (March 13).

For more information, visit www.tri-c. edu/college-credit-plus.

# **Tickets for UpStage Players' Fiddler** on the Roof Jr. Now On Sale



by Mathew Orgovar

North Collinwood's UpStage Players, one of Northeast Ohio's hardest working children's theatre companies, celebrates its 23rd season in 2017 with the beloved theatre show Fiddler on the Roof Jr. Tickets to all three performances of this Broadway-style musical can now be purchased online. Known for its no-cut policy, UpStage Players "works for the kids" of Greater Cleveland.

Performance Dates: Friday, March 24, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

Performance Venue: Cleveland Memorial-Nottingham Public Library Auditorium, 17109 Lakeshore Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44110

Ticket Prices: \$10 in advance (online); \$13 at the door

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 this event are encouraged to purchase early. Questions regarding ShowTix4U can be answered by e-mailing Kris at KrisUpStage@aol.com.

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 Broadwaycaliber musical.

UpStage Players is the proud recipient of a 2017 Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC) grant, and is also supported by the Downtown Cleveland Kiwanis Club #2 and the Children's Guild of Cleveland. The mission of UpStage Players is the dedication to the child performer, instilling a love of theatre while building leadership and community. The non-profit group was founded in 1994-1995 with 30 children and a vision to create love and respect for the performing arts. Beyond evolving into a strong organization of nearly three times as many children today, two keys to the success of UpStage over the years have been its unwavering no-cut policy and its army of committed volunteers. 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.upstageplayers.com.

bv Erin Randel The Scoop on Summer is looking to hire an artist for its 11th edition, which will see 10,000+ copies printed and distributed in and around Collinwood. Selected artists will create the cover art, as well as images for the interior of the publication. Examples of previous editions are online at www. bit.ly/scoopart.

Please submit your concept and relevant samples of work to hello@collinwoodscoop.org by March 20, 2017.

Selected artists will be contacted to discuss creating work for print, publication

specs, and commission. Artists are only responsible for illustration artwork and will not be responsible for copy layout. Please direct all inquiries to project organizer

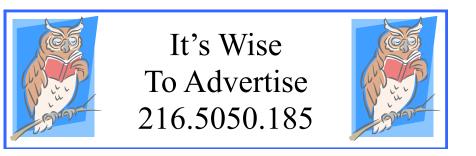
The Scoop on Summer is a grassroots community organizing publication that collects events, programs, eateries and community builders all around Cleveland's Collinwood neighborhood. It's online now for events and happenings, just visit collinwoodscoop.org to see what's up or submit vour own event.

# **Creative Painting Classes**

by Sr. Madeline Muller William Denihan lead Instructor and Doug Rothschild Assistant

Saturdays 10:30am - 12:30 pm March 4th and 18th April 1st, and 15th, May 13th,

and 27th, June 10th All dates in 2017 Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministry 15706 St. Clair Ave. To sign up or for more information Call: 216-481-8182. No art experience necessary!



# Join the Discussion at: www.collinwoodobserver.com

Call for Art for the Scoop on Summer

Erin Randel, hello@collinwoodscoop.org.

St. Jerome Church Collinwood's Catholic School

15000 Lakeshore Blvd. Cleveland, OH 44110



# St. Jerome Lent and Easter Schedule

by Adele Markert This Lent, we invite you to join us at St. Jerome Church as we prepare our hearts for the Joy of Easter.

Ash Wednesday, March 1st Ashes distributed at 8:30am and 7pm Masses

**Stations of the Cross** 7pm Friday, March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

> Friday, April 7th, 14th Collinwood Cluster Masses

Monday, March 6th 7pm St. Mary, 15519 Holmes Ave.

Monday, March 13th 7pm Holy Redeemer, 15712 Kipling Ave

Monday, March 20th 7pm St. Jerome Church, 15000 Lake Shore

> Monday, March 27th 7pm St. Casimir, 18022 Neff Rd

Blvd

Sacrament of Penance Saturdays from 2:45-3:30

**Cluster Communal Penance Service** Monday, April 3rd 7pm St. Mary, 15519 Holmes Ave

# Tetélestai

"The trial, execution and resurrection of Jesus the Messiah." Friday, March 17th at 8pm Saturday, March 18th at 8pm Sunday, March 19th at 2pm

Altar & Rosary Day of Recollection Sunday, April 2nd following 10am Mass

Sr. Marie Ellen Kuhel, OSU, speaker "The Holy Spirit

> HOLY WEEK Tenebrae Service Wednesday, April 12th 7pm

Holy Thursday Living Stations of the Cross 11am Holy Thursday Mass 7pm

> **Good Friday** Service 3pm

Holy Saturday Blessing of Food 2pm Easter Vigil 9pm

Easter Sunday 10am

# St. Jerome Marches for Life Parenting in the **Digital Age** by Patrick Willis In these times when children are more and

more accessed by media (especially social) parents need to be even more engaged in their children's lives. Yes, technology is a very powerful and exceptionally useful tool, but simultaneously is a dangerous (on many levels) and distracting device for the youth of today and into the future. As parents you are urged to set boundaries and limitations with regard to all the screens that your child engages with during the course of their day.

Television: Ask yourself some key questions before accessing the remote control. What is my child being exposed to? Is this program within our family's value system? Are the topics presented in a particular program at the developmental level of my child or are the themes for older children and/or adults? How much time do I want my child to be watching television?

Computers/Tablets: Make sure that have set strict boundaries with regard to the computer. Do you have firewalls set up in order to keep you children safe? How much screen time to you allocate per day? Are the activities being utilized engaging and challenging to the child's mind? Have you had a conversation with your child about Internet safety? Do you know all the passwords? Can you see the "history" of the websites visited? These questions should all be answered before the child begins using these tools.

Cell phones: More and more parents are providing younger and younger children with these powerful tools. What precautions are you taking to insure that these tools are used wisely? Do you have all the passwords and logins? Are you aware that some apps that seem harmless are a gateway to applications that you may not want your child accessing? Do you set the internal timer so that these devices cannot be used outside of your parental parameters (such as from 9pm - 7am). Have you screened their list of contacts? These devices should not be treated as you would a private diary, but rather an open access point for you to see what is happening at all times.

We all can agree that technology is useful and unavoidable in this day and age, but for children the value of time spent with family and friends in meaningful conversation and physical activities must be a large part of the rearing of our children. We only have one chance at raising our children so we, as parents, must do the best job possible with that as we are not granted a "do-over" or an "auto correct". You have certainly heard the phrase -set the rules before playing the game. This is true with technology-set the boundaries and guideline before engaging in an electronic device.

it tightly woven curriculum? A spectacular learning environment? Working under the tutelage of skillful educators? The answer is simply a classroom setting where students gain knowlegde, and skills, through handson exercises. We count numerals, trace alphabet letters, are taught religion through Bible Stories and learn to work cooperatively. Counting comes natural to most young students. Counting numbers in sequence takes determined practice. Counting days



Experienced marchers report that this was one of the best turnouts in 24 years that St. Jerome has been represented at the March for Life Photo by John Marn

by Adele Markert, photos by Kevin Egan and Iohn Marn

Once again St. Jerome Respect Life group traveled to Washington for the annual March for Life, held Friday, January 27th. This year the weather was dry but chilly as they attended Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception before the March.

St. Jerome alumni, Kevin Egan rejoined the group after several years absence. His family have been regular participants in

# Tetélestai returns to St. Jerome

## by Adele Markert

St. Jerome is delighted to welcome Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries production of Tetélestai. For 40 years audiences have been moved by this powerful, live portrayal of the "Trial, Execution and Resurrection of Jesus the Messiah." Make this wonderfully spiritual experience part of

the March for Life. "Going back definitely felt different. Sometimes it can be overwhelming to witness the increasing amounts of evil one sees present in the media and throughout the world and so to see everyone united over such a tremendous cause was both encouraging and awe inspiring."

Parishioner Marcy Johns has only missed one March in 24 years. She said that this year's turnout was by far the best she has ever seen.

Friday, March 17th or Saturday, March 18th at 8pm

Sunday, March 19th at 2pm

Free admission - Donations gratefully accepted. Youth groups may reserve seating by calling (216)481-8200.

we incorporate. "You learn better by do-

ing." Tracing alphabet letters is a perfect

example of this concept. There is no better

# "Children Hit New Heights" **Otherwise Entitled "How Preschool Students Make Good**"

## by Phillip Dank

St. Jerome Preschool Students are proof that the American School System works. The word "can't" is not a vocabulary term found in our preschool's academic mission. Instead we replace the word "can't" with the word "try."

Now if you have never been inside a

preschool classroom, you may ask "What

activities are the students focusing on?" Is

on a calendar and counting the number of

students present each day are techniques

way to understand the formation of lines, shapes and forms as they transform into what we recognoize as letters. The fact that reciting prayers is engaging for preschool students surprises everybody except their teacher (Mr. Dank.) The concept of "right vs. wrong" is evident in so many Bible Stories as well as in everyday classroom interplay. Innovations with academic curriculum allow educators to occationally place students in small learning groups for the purpose of problem solving and cooperative interactions.

Sometimes learning can feel like hard work to students. Lessons presented in a lively fashion engage the mind's of these preschool students. The results turn out to be sucessful. All students are capable of more than they have ever done. St. Jerome Preschool Students have become champions

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your Lenten journey.





Pen competition on April 1.

Padua High School.





St. Mary Magdalene Church



# **VASJ to offer Summer Enrichment Programs**

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School is excited to be offering two Summer Enrichment Programs during the month of June for students entering grades 5-8.

The first camp, taking place June 12-16, will be a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Space Program. Students will view the stars in a planetarium, build and launch rockets like a NASA engineer, and create a scale model of the Solar System.

The second camp, taking place from June 19-23, is a Fine Arts Program. Students will write a skit, design and create props and backdrops, as well as act out their creation

Both camps will be held at VASJ from 9 a.m. to noon. There is a discount being offered to those who register for both camps and families with multiple students.

For more information and to register, please visit vasj.com/summer. Deadline to register is March 31, 2017.



# VASJ's Academic Decathlon team earns 16 medals at regionals



VASJ's 2016-17 Academic Decathlon team from left to right: John Parker, Brenton Petras, Shauna Burkes, Tyyonna Davis, Davante Callahan, and Misrach Ewunetie.

great addition to VASJ this year. The first college-level curriculum, giving them time the school has offered the program, the team is off to a great start.

When Bob Seitz came to VASJ this year to teach Honors Geometry, he brought with him years of Academic Decathlon experience. VASJ didn't have the program so he asked Principal David Csank if he could start one.

"I know how worthy the program is for students," Seitz says. "I thought that VASJ would benefit from having an academic decathlon.'

Csank agreed and Setiz started building his team. They began practicing in September and have been practicing once a week ever since.

The United States Academic Decathlon is a nation-wide program

The Academic Decathlon has been a that introduces high school students to the opportunity to excel academically through team competition.

VASJ competed in the regional competition on January 21, in all 10 events including art, economics, essay, interview, literature, mathematics, music, science, social science, and speech. Out of the 60 medals awarded at the

competition, VASJ students earned 16 of them

Seitz was proud but to him, the competition isn't about winning. "Medals are fine," Seitz says.

"But the really important thing is the knowledge that the students gain, above and beyond what they learn in school."

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# Spring Open House Mar. 21 at 6 p.m.

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# **Academics Community**

# Power of the Pen Propels Students to Success



Both the 7th and 8th grade teams at Our Lady of the Lake are sending students to the Regional Power of the

Power of the Pen is a powerful program! Through this after-school writing program, students at Our Lady of the Lake are developing skills that can take them far in life. Every Tuesday, throughout the school year, fifteen 7th and 8th grade students meet for 40 minutes to hone their persuasive, literary and expository skills - and to compete against other students across the region. Approximately 10,000 students in Ohio take part in this program each year, and OLL students are up for the competition. In the past five years of offering the program, OLL teams have gone to regionals every year, and for the last three years have gone to State level competition. Both the 7th and 8th grade teams are heading to regionals this year, so wish them luck on April 1, when they'll be competing for top prizes at

And once they graduate middle school, how is this program helpful? Just ask Khalim Mitchell, a VASJ sophomore who had his first article published in Affinity Magazine, and is now an official staff writer for the online publication. An alumni of Our Lady of the Lake School, he credits participation in Power of the Pen for kickstarting his creative talents.

All of the students at OLL acknowledge the mentoring and support they get from their three Power of the Pen faculty advisors, Mrs. Zigman, Mrs. Millett and Mrs. Kish. The guidance these teachers and coaches offer is helping to foster a love of creative expression and the strong communication skills that will benefit these students for a lifetime. So power up those pens, because great things happen when these students start writing!

has propelled me into achieving many ac-

complishments not just in scouting but in

academics and personal development. To

begin I joined the Cub Scouts and steadily

progressed through the ranks, eventually

achieving the rank of Webelo and encourag-



Mrs. Millett is one of three teachers who coaches Power of the Pen students to success at Our Lady of the Lake School.

# What Does Power of the Pen Mean to Students?

Power of the Pen (POP) has affected my life because I have made so many new friends, I have greatly increased my writing and creative ability, and I have learned to believe in myself more and do the best that I can. I have learned not to second-guess myself and to feel positive about every assignment or story I submit, in and out of POP. I have learned that you always learn from your mistakes and do better in the next thing you do and take away the lessons from your mistake. That is how Power of the Pen has affected me.

- Anika Duhigg, 7th Grade Power of the Pen has influenced my life in many ways. When I joined Power of the Pen, I began to realize my writing potential. Each topic we get improves my creativity and helps me think outside the box. When I write, it lets me let all of my emotions and creativity out. Our Power of the Pen leaders, Mrs. Millett, Mrs. Zigman, and Mrs.Kish, are huge influences. They always have something positive to say and are always trying to help our team improve. I honestly don't know where I would be without them . They have taught me that I can be an amazing writer if I practice and put my mind to it. I am so thankful that I have had the pleasure to be a part of Power of the Pen.

- Madeline Jarosz, 8th Grade

# Join us for Lent and Holy Week at Our Lady of the Lake

Our Lady of the Lake is happy to welcome you -- during Holy Week and throughout the year. Come and see!

**Evening Prayer** All Sundays during Lent 6:30 pm in the Church

Individual Confessions Diocesan-Wide Individual Confessions Wednesday, March 15 5-8 pm in Church

# **Living Stations** The Youth Ministry will be presenting Living Stations on Friday, April 7 at 8 pm in the Church

**Stations of the Cross** The church will be open on Fridays during Lent until 8 pm for individual Stations of the Cross. Booklets are available in the Church.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE Palm Sunday

Saturday, April 8 at 4 pm Sunday, April 9 at 8 am,10am and 12pm.

**Tenebrae** ~ April 12

Wednesday April 16 at 7p An old prayer that moves us from light into darkness as preparation for the Triduum. Holy Thursday ~ April 13 Morning Prayer at 8 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 pm - Begins the sacred Triduum And includes the ritual washing of feet.

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament - Until 10:30 pm.

**Good Friday** ~ April 14 Morning Prayer at 8 am

**Stations of the Cross** with Community Leaders at 12 pm

Celebration of the Lord's **Passion** at 7 pm - We solemnly proclaim the events surrounding the death and burial of Christ.

Holy Saturday ~ April 15 Morning Prayer at 8 am Blessing of the Food Baskets at 12 pm

Easter Vigil Mass at 9 pm The pinnacle of our liturgical year and the beginning of our celebration of Easter. Celebrate the joy of the Resurrection.

Easter Sunday ~ April 16 Mass at 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm Alleluia, He is Risen!

# Eagle Scout Helps Us Respect the Flag



"No man ever steps into the same river twice, for it's not the same river and he's not the same man." said Heraclitus. This quote perfectly exemplifies how my life has been changed because of Scouting. Scouting

# Women and the Word

Our Lady of the Lake is proud to be providing a welcoming and supportive environment for preaching the Sunday Lectionary from a woman's perspective this season. Please join us in praying the Lenten Scriptures at 7:00pm these four Thursdays in March at Our Lady of the Lake, 19951 Lakeshore Blvd. March 9 (Second Sunday of Lent) Laurie Jurecki, Pastoral Associate

ing me to cross over to the Boy Scouts. From there it was onward and upward, learning scouting characteristics and applying them to my everyday life. The Boy Scouts' highest rank is the Eagle Scout. This rank is more than just a badge, it is an accomplishment that will follow you throughout the rest of your life. To achieve this rank, you must do an Eagle Project -- a project that the scout is in charge of and that will benefit the community. My eagle project was a flag collection system in Euclid. The flag stations are placed in public areas like the library, City Hall and churches. The flags will be collected and taken to proper places where the flag can be retired with respect.

March 16 (Third Sunday of Lent) Laura Bregar, OSU, Councilor Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland March 23 (Fourth Sunday of Lent) Lisa Frey, Pastoral Associate Resurrection Church March 30 (Fifth Sunday of Lent) Joan Nuth, Director JCU Ignatian Spirituality Institute For more information, please visit www. OLLEuclid.org, or cal (216) 486-0850. All are welcome!

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by Dawn Sizemore

# Lake Erie Preparatory

# Millennials Motivate on and off the

The mission of Lake Erie Preparatory School, part of the I CAN School network, is to prepare scholars for a college preparatory high school that will ensure success and graduation from a four year college. To send all scholars to college there must be a strong focus on academic achievement and staff must find creative ways to keep scholars motivated to perserver through challenges with learning. Millenial educators Miles Felton, Elizabeth Harrison, and Ken Amos go above and beyond the call of duty by motivating scholars to achieve both on and off the basketball court. "I use coaching to motivate students to build their leadership and social skills. It is great to see them come together, push each other and involve the rest of the school in their events. I spend extra time outside of practice getting to know them and building a strong bond." says Coach Harrison who has lead the girls basketball team in an undeafeated season. Coach Amos, the head boys basketball team coach who are also undeafeted, started mandatory study tables so that students have a clear understanding of what it means to be a student first and athlete second. "We

hold them to a higher standard and expect nothing, but greatness from them", says Coach Amos.

Although millenials can often be stigmatized as having a youthful perspective of traditional organization expectations, they also bring a style of their own that can be effective in relating and connecting with today's students. Millennials also tend to display an abundance of self-confidence and believe they are highly valuable to any organization from day one. They are also the "can do" generation, never worrying about failure, for they see themselves as running the world and work environments ad demonstrated by each coaches ability to take the lead and coach their players to a winning record. "Coaching is important to me because when I was growing up, my first role model came from a sports team, so this is my way of affecting positive change in our community." says Coach Felton. Each coaches personal committment to motivating scholars to achieve on and off the court and their understanding of the significance of their role in students lives is what sets them apart

# Lake Erie Preparatory School - Teacher of the Month - Mrs. Shellene Boze

"I didn't choose education in the beginning, it was chosen for me.", says Mrs. Boze, the teacher of the month at Lake Erie Preparatory School; a K-8 charter school located in South Collinwood. Mrs. Boze is known for her abililty to effectively manage any classroom with quiet power, high expectations, and strong systems and routines. Mrs.Boze has been teaching for over 15 years and has been at Lake Erie Prep for three years now. Mrs. Boze has achieved great success in improving student's reading comprehension and writing skills. Teacher Assistant Jassmyn Hill caught up with Mrs.Boze to learn more about the skill behind the grace.

## What are some of your reading strategies to keep your students engaged?

As a person who does not like to read, I try to make it fun. I didn't like it when I was a child and I struggled with it, but for the past twenty years it's become a passion of mine. My neighbor, Mrs. Williams, was a reading teacher and she taught me the tools and strategies on how to make reading fun and enjoyable for students.

# What do you do to accommodate a slower learner or a student with special needs? It depends on the student. I provide small

group instruction, graphic organizers, peer tutoring and I give them extended time. I give them a choice on which questions they

pride in what they are working on.

## Describe your behavior management plan?

I'm very stern but fair. I say what I mean and mean what I say. I introduce myself and my style to parents so that we are on the same page. When you're honest and upfront with parents and students, they know what the expectations are and they usually meet them. I don't expect them to always meet the expectation but I reward them when they do.

# How do you promote parent involvement?

I keep the parents involved at all times. If there is an area that I am teaching and their child is not understanding it, I get the parent on the phone immediately so we can figure out what the issue is and how we can fix it because it is a partnership and we do this together. When I know a parent isn't as involved, I take the student on my own time to work with them.

## Do you enjoy teaching? If you were being observed, how would the observer be able to tell?

I love teaching. My enthusiasm I give off during lessons, student engagement, the time I take to plan a lesson and how the lesson is executed, and the encouragement given to each student shows that.



# Oliver H Perry

# **Oliver H. Perry Eagles Nest**



by LeeAnne Shea The local Kiwanis organization has generHere at Oliver H Perry we have numerous amazing staff members that work diligently to

make our school Ms Alison Abiecunas a warm, engaging

and inviting environment for our scholars. During this issue of the Eagle Eye we'd like to take the time to recognize our school guidance counselor, Ms. Alison Abiecunas. Ms. Alison join our OHP team in 2015. She works with all different age scholars in the school who are interested in/in need of

one-on-one emotional/social support. Ms. Alison enjoys working in this particular area because she spent much of her childhood here, with her grandparents who lived nearby. She also especially enjoys working with the scholars of our building. Their strength in the face of adversity and their ability to be resilient in even the most unfortunate situation gives her pride. Her favorite thing about Oliver H. Perry is the fact that it is a small school, where "everyone knows everyone" and there is always someone willing to lend a hand. We are so grateful to have Ms. Alison in our building and our scholars truly benefit from her contribution to their education and devel-

opment.

**Oliver H. Perry Classroom Spot Light** 

# **Oliver H. Perry Center for Art-Inspired Learning**



# by LeeAnne Shea

Our first classroom spotlight is focused on Mrs. Salomon's kindergarten class. Friday mornings are a busy time in room 119. The students can be found interacting with various hands-on center activities. Mrs.

'HS.

Salomon chooses these activities for specific groups of students who are currently working towards mastery of the same skill and standard. On this particular morning, students were either working with sight words to create and write their own sentences, practicing their CVC (consonant, vowel, consonant) blending abilities, working in a small writing group guided by Mrs. Salomon, or exploring educational apps on Ipads. Not only does center time give young students a chance to practice skills that are concentrated on their abilities and development, but the students are also gaining the skills and confidence to be more independent in their learning.



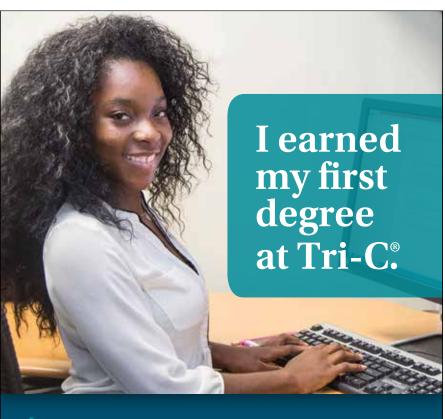
by LeeAnne Shea On February 24th we held out Black History Arts Performance. Students in grades Pre-K through 5th had been working with Ms. Emma from Arts Inspired learning to create interactive art pieces, raps, dances and other speaking performances honoring historical African American figures.

Ms. Chunn performing Wade in the Water by Harriet





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After graduating from Garfield Heights High School, Madison Wynder enrolled at Tri-C for an affordable start to her college education. Madison earned an associate degree in December 2016 and transferred to Cleveland State University, where she is studying marketing.



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# **Black History Month**

Thank you Ms. Parker for volunteering your time



Black History Month Trading Cards from the first

A big shout-out to Ms. Parker!! She volunteered her time and came in to share a poem written by actress, singer, dancer, author, and civil rights activist Maya An-



Students watched videos during lunch about Brown V. Board of Education, Little Rock Nine, and sang along with Lift Every Voice and Sing.



Black History Month Timeline from 3rd Grade

gelou for Black/African American History Month. Ms. Parker read to the students, "Caged Bird". She also hosted a kid-friendly video prior to reading the poem to give our students a quick background of who Maya Angelou was. She did this during lunch time for all four lunches and even assisted in cleanup for each lunch too! Check



So many great books to choose from!



Middle School Students created multimedia projects during for the 2nd Annual Student Film Festival. out the other photos to see what we were up

to this month!

# **Door Decorating Contest**

**Save the Date** Imagine Bella's Spring Performance will be on May 17th from 6-8 pm at the Shore Cultural Centre!





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# Meet Ms. Wade Gifted Comforter & Author

For over 30 years Ms. Wade has given of herself each week through volunteer work at local area hospitals providing valuable assistance to administrative teams and patients. She is by far one of the most widely appreciated and recognized "Red Vest" volunteers receiving many letters of gratitude and recognition each year for the special treatment and well-crafted words of comfort she offers whole-heartedly to everyone she meets. Surely her deep sincerity, spirituality and sensitivity is what has helped her become ultra-gifted in comforting others.

Ms. Wade is a proud mother, grandmother, sister, friend and local leader to so many among her church, community and personal circles. She has lived with Multiple Sclerosis for the last 37 years

attributing God's love and the messages of the Bible for having provided powerful strength, guidance and grace. She encourages faith in "God's perfect love" and believes in the "healing powers" of serving others explaining that, "helping others replenishes the heart and mind so you can face your own struggles with a better perspective."

Ms. Wade has lived at Indian Hills Senior Community in Euclid for the past 18 years speading good will atop of one of three scooters she owns to get herself around. Her positive outlook and aura has a unique impact on others. Even her scooters won't stop or she has some special way of keeping them going as well. Her stories of offering comfort, embraces and scooter rides continued on page 17









by Nikki Matala, Volunteer Recruitment Manager, Hospice of the Western Reserve Today, we all lead busy lives. Even those who have retired find their spare time quickly fills up with babysitting, family gatherings, grandkids' sporting events and

# Lakeshore Rose Center Celebrates Black History Month





by Ashlee Williman

*Continued from page 16* 

# Senior Page

# If You Can Do Just One Thing to Make the World a Better Place, Volunteer!



concerts, or simply enjoying activities we never had enough time for until now.

With all this "busy-ness," it may seem challenging to find time to volunteer. However, those who do say the rewards are great. Numerous studies show volunteering to help others can reduce stress, lift

sprits and provide greater meaning and purpose in your life.

Choosing the right volunteer opportunity is the key. Hospice of the Western Reserve offers many options. If you have a special hobby or talent, we'll even work with you to create a personalized volunteer experience that lets you bring it to life to help others. What could be better that volunteering to do something you love?

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting or sewing? Many of our volunteers enjoy creating textured lap blankets for dementia patients or creating pretty customized pillows to relieve discomfort. Best of all, you can choose to work on the projects from your own home or to enjoy socializing with a group sewing circle that gets together every other month.

Many of our volunteers especially enjoy working directly with patients. Some volunteer at one of the three in-patient hospice houses while others prefer visiting patients at assisted living communities, hospitals, nursing homes or in the patients' own homes Volunteers may assist with handson care (with some additional training) or they can simply choose to read to patients, play board games or provide companionship in other ways.

Some of our volunteers have a special calling and find it spiritually rewarding to be part of our "By Your Side" program which provides vigil support near the very end of life. At Hospice of the Western Reserve, we believe no one needs to die alone. Support is often provided by our volunteers who sit by the bedside to providing a comforting presence for this deeply meaningful role

Have you served in the Armed Forces? Volunteers who are veterans often find it especially meaningful volunteering some time to provide companionship to patients who are fellow veterans.

Pet therapy is one of the most frequently requested services from our patients. If you are interested in having your dog certified as a Pet Therapy Dog, we'd love to work with you and have you and the dog join us!

Flexibility is a hallmark of volunteering at Hospice of the Western Reserve. You let us know when you are available, and you also have the ability to reject volunteer assignments without question or judgment. To learn more or to access the volunteer application online, visit hospicewr.org/volunteer or call us at 216-255-9090. Free training, TB testing and background checks are provided.



Ashlee Williman

Lakeshore Rose Center for Aging Well celebrated Black History Month with several activities throughout the month of February! Lakeshore seniors enjoyed African arts & crafts led by Robin Whitted, a Black History presentation, a beautiful display of African wooden carvings, and educational Black History posters!

Lakeshore Rose Center seniors celebrate Black History Month

# Join us for Exercise Classes at Lakeshore Rose Center!



Are you interested in an upbeat & energetic exercise class for seniors? Paul W. Alandt Lakeshore Rose Center for Aging Well offers exercise classes on Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 10:30 - 11:30am. The class is led by Christine Lee, and features a vari-

ety of chair exercises that incorporate light weights, resistance bands, and exercise balls. Christine energizes the group with upbeat music and positive encouragement throughout the class. Please call 216-373-1915 with any questions!

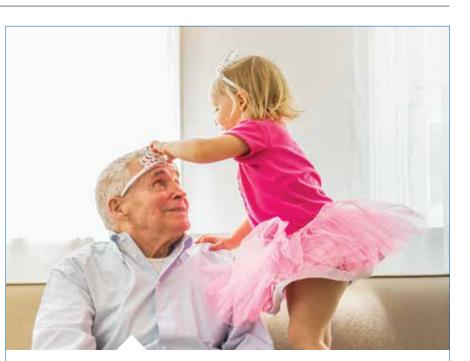
# Meet Ms. Wade Gifted Comforter and Author

to others on her knee in times of need

make tears well up quickly. This is a unique woman with many real struggles, yet her acts of kindness and stories illuminate the fact that she puts her whole self into life with an unwavering faith. If Ms. Wade had a motto for living it might sound something like this: break through your own limited

thoughts and perceived constraints by taking a positive stance in faith and thoughts of others.

Although Ms. Wade wrote a book many years ago called A Positive Stance, it is surely time for her to write another to help her fans know more of her secrets that tap into a miracle of strength, health and happiness.



# More time with your favorite ballerina.

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by Bob Payne

looking for food.

struggles for everything.

are different than our own.

current conditions. Will he?

had your bad days.

Bob Payne, Manager

get by.

**Bob's Corner** 

So, you think you're having a bad day?

some health issues, both physical and emo-

tional. He's bounced around from job to

job, relationship to relationship, and state to

state. When I met him he was hungry and

I asked him about himself. His eyes,

which were a dull blue, brightened when he

talked about how life used to be. The spark

of life was still there, but now it's mostly cov-

ered by his all-consuming daily struggle to

He's a person. He has needs, wants and

As we go through life most of us have

been lucky enough to be treated pretty well.

Yes, you can say that he made some poor

choices and his life situation is the result

of them. You'd be right. But, I also know

full well that you and I have made some bad

choices too, and we were fortunate enough

not to suffer dire consequences. We really

shouldn't judge others just because their sins

Yes, he needs to make decisions to help

himself and take advantage of systems and

resources that are available. I made him aware of all that, but right now I see a broken

man with the potential to go far beyond his

We all go through rough times in life.

Those experiences can help us grow in com-

passion toward others. But remember, com-

passion is incomplete without action. You

are called to be more than just an observer.

You may be having a bad day right now.

Honestly, there are people who wish they

dreams. He once had it all, but now he

Folks - this man is you and me.

Senior Page

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anonymous senior.

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Do you dare?

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F.F.F.

Join us Thursday, March 16th - 10:30 in

the Library for Fun For Foodies. Sign-up

at the front desk. Only those who sign-

up will be able to partake in the food! See

We will be having a Fashion Show at

10:45AM on March 22nd, featuring mem-

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Last year's show was a huge success. You

know you look marvelous! So, please see

Sylka by Friday, March 10th, if you want to

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We recently placed a small order from

4imprint. The CEO, Mr. Kevin Lyons-Tarr,

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mentioned a One by One Charitable Pro-

gram that the company offers. We did not

qualify for the program, but Mr. Lyons-

Tarr sent us 7 boxes of donated items any-

way! The items will be used as give-aways

at the Center and to the homebound. Our

heartfelt thanks to Mr. Lyons-Tarr and

ness and generosity!

TRIPS

Monica with any questions. Thanks!

**FASHION SHOW** 

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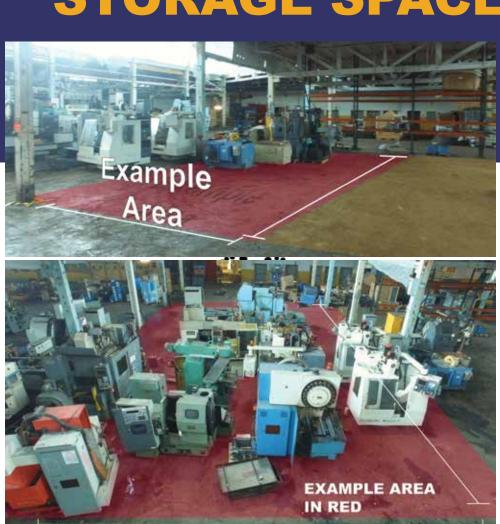
Thursday, March 23rd Come join us for a trip to Antiques &

# Center.

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March 6th









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Thursday, March 16th - Leave the Senior Center at 1:30 p.m. and return to the Center around 3:00 p.m. Take a ride in our van to the Euclid Historical Museum.

# Grande Pointe Fun Bingo

Tuesday, March 21st - Leave the Senior Center at 1:15 p.m. and return to the center around 3:00 p.m. Take a ride in our van to Grande Pointe in Richmond Hts. for a FUN BINGO including prizes & cookies. It's FREE – Register at the front Desk.

# **Euclid Senior**

All the programs listed are available at Euclid Lakefront Community Center 1 Bliss Lane, Euclid, OH 44123 216-289-2985 www.cityofeuclid.com



Daylight Savings Time Begins March 12th



Join us on Thursday, March 9th at Adam's Place at 8:30AM for Breakfast with Bob. The "Bob's Special" will be 2 eggs, breakfast meat; ham, sausage or bacon, home fries and toast for \$4.00 without coffee. It's good to be part of Senior Programs!

# March 7th - SPEED BINGO



Bingo for prizes – 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. – FREE Sponsored by Capital Senior Living.

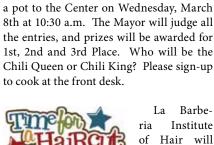
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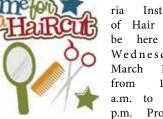
Thursday, March 9th @ 10:45 - 11:45 Enjoy music, trivia, light refreshments and prizes! Laura Blair from Kindred - The Greens/The Fountains is your hostess.

March 14th & 28th – Fun BINGO Bingo for Prizes - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - FREE Sponsored by Cap Tel Phone & Mount St. Joseph.

# Muffins with the Mayor

Monday, March 27th - 11:00 a.m. in the dining room. Here is your chance to sit and enjoy conversation and muffins with our Mayor, Kirsten Holzheimer Gail. Stop by





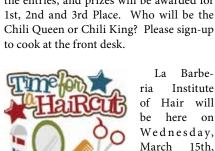
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# **ENTERTAINMENT**

# Antiques & Uniques, Sweet Berry Fresh Market & Gabriel Brothers.

Let's go Shopping - \$4.00

Uniques, Sweet Berry Fresh Market & Gabriel Brothers. Leave the center around 12:30 p.m. and return 3:00 p.m.

# Bus Trips with Wickliffe Senior

Rocksino/Hard Rock Trip. Tuesday, March 21st Bus picks up here at 9:00 a.m. Cost \$22, but you get \$20 in slot play. Make checks payable to Wickliffe Senior Center. Signup at the front desk. See Monica with any

# **JACK Cleveland Casino**

Thursday, March 30th

Leave the center at 9:00 a.m. and return to the center around 3:30 p.m. \$10.00 per person, per trip. Drop off at casino front door. Register at the front desk. LIMITED SEATING; however we must have at least 10 people registered. No Refunds unless

# **Breakfast with Grande Pointe**

Wednesday, March 8th – 9:30 – 10:30 Breakfast with Grande Pointe. Join us for muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, coffee and tea. Please sign-up at the front desk by

# **FREE FRESH PRODUCE**

Monday, March 27th - 12:30 - 2:30 PM (or until all produce is gone) Please bring your ID You must be a member of Euclid Senior Programs to Participate.

Wednesday, March 8th - 11:00 a.m. Eileen M. Ovens from Ohio Savings Bank

# Older Adults.

Thursday, March 9th at 12:15 p.m.

Lunch. Members from our Police Department update us monthly and will answer all your questions. Can't be here? Leave your questions at the front desk. Also, if you have old medication that you need to discard, they will take it as long as it is not liquid or needles.

# **Grief Support Group**

Thursday, March 9th at12:45 p.m. This Grief Support Group is for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one whether it was a spouse, child, parent, sibling or friend. Please join us for a new opportunity provided by Euclid Senior Programs & Hospice of the Western Reserve

# **Better Senior Living Choices**

Friday, March 10th at 11:15 a.m. Cilla Buck from CarePatrol will be here to talk about the differences of independent living, assisted living, memory care and nursing home care, Eldercare options and how to pay for it.

# Gateway Health

Thursday, March 23rd at 10:45 a.m. Sandra Pollard from Gateway Health will be here to talk about "What you need to know about Diabetes" Facts, Figures, Tips and Tricks.

## Nutritionist

Friday, March 24th - 10:45 a.m. Sarah Owen have her Master's of Science in Nutritional Sciences - Oklahoma State University will talk about Nutritionist.

# will talk about Being Money Smart for

# **Community Police Talk**

"Cop -a- Question" - Immediately after

# Senior Page

## Third Federal Savings & Loan Friday, March 31st - 11:15 a.m.

Autumn Abramczyk from Third Federal will present an interactive informative talk on preventing elder financial abuse.

# **SERVICES**



# DPS

# Tuesday, March 14th

10:00 a.m. to Noon & 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. 20 - Minute free consultations. Have a question for an attorney regarding estate planning, wills, trusts, Medicaid Eligibility, Long Term Care Needs, or Veterans Benefits? The attorneys at Daniel P. Seink Co. offer vast experience in the field of elder law. Founder and Managing Partner, Daniel P. Seink, is one of twenty Ohio attorneys certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation. Sign up for a 20 – minute time slot (FREE) at front desk. This service will continue on the second Tuesday of each month.

# **BENEFITS CHECK-UP – FREE** Monday, March 20th & 27th

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Euclid Senior Programs also coordinates the Benefits Check - Up program at the Lakefront Community Center. Benefits Check - Up is a program to screen adults 60+ for over 70 money-saving programs: prescription drug assistance, help paying Medicare premiums, help with heating bills, phone discounts, and much more. Call 216-289-2985 to schedule an appt.

## Podiatrist

Dr. Bangayan will be here onWednesday, March 8th & 22nd at9:20 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Dr. Hennie, House call only on Wednesday, March 8th

Call 289-2985 for an appointment at the center. Fee - \$20.00, with your membership.

## Chair Yoga-Mondays at 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. AC \$ 3.00 per class.

Yoga – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Annex Room \$ 3.00 per class.

Tai-Chi – Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. DR - Six week series - \$24, Drop-ins \$6.00 per class.

Billie Exercise Class - (Chair) Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - Computer Room

Line Dance - Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.

## Free Blood Pressure Checks

Thursdays mornings 10:00-11:00 a.m. Please give your name to the volunteer and she will issue you a number. Wait in the hallway until your number is called.

Chair Exercise to Music - 11:00 a.m.

DRA – Wednesday

# Silver Sneaker Class -

10:00 - 10:50 a.m. - Dining Room Annex Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Free with Silver Sneakers membership. No Silver S. Class on Monday, March 27th

# **FUN AND GAMES**

**BEADING CLASS:** Monday, March 6th - 10:30 a.m. to Noon. FREE to members

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