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Oliver H. Perry Honors Voinovich Family with Molly Day



Cleveland schools CEO Eric Gordon speaks at Oliver H. Perry's annual Molly Day.

CMSD News Bureau

Molly Day is not your average school performance.

The annual show, which took place Nov. 20 at Oliver H. Perry School, stars elementary and middle school age students in ensembles of dancing, singing and spoken word. It's all a tribute to the family of the late U.S. Sen. George Voinovich, whose 9-year-old daughter, Molly, was struck by a van and killed in 1979 while she was a student at Oliver H. Perry.

Voinovich's wife, Janet, and daughter Betsy were in attendance and presented donations to support the Gifted and Talented Education programs at Oliver H. Perry and Wade Park schools. Both women said they were delighted by this year's show.

"I look at you guys and I see her," Betsy Voinovich said to the students. "She would just love you."

Oliver H. Perry's drum corps kicked off the production with an original piece, which was followed by introductions from both schools' principals and Emma Parker, a teaching artist from the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning.

CAL teaching artists stage the Molly Day performances and help students write, choreograph and rehearse their parts, including the song "I'd Rather Be Happy," performed by Oliver H. Perry preschool, kindergarten and first-grade students, and "Positive," which featured the school's fourth-graders.

CMSD Chief Executive Officer Eric Gordon, who had a front-row seat at his 11th Molly Day, said the closing number, a humorous song called "Who Pushed Humpty?" performed by Oliver H. Perry afterschool arts class scholars, was his favorite.

Just outside the window during the show,



Janet Voinovich, wife of the late George Voinovich, greets Oliver H. Perry students at Molly Day.

construction workers plugged away on the new Oliver H. Perry building set to open next year. Gordon acknowledged this during his remarks after the performance, gesturing to the walls and roof beginning to

"Next year at this time we will be in our new Oliver H. Perry literally being built outside our windows here," he said. "We'll have a larger, more modern stage and a more modern school so that we can continue to invest in the Mollys of the world."

The theme of the show was "Ready to soar!" -- a homage to the eagle mascot shared by Oliver H. Perry and Wade Park students, who also performed, and to the spirit of optimism woven into each perfor-

Both of Wade Park's presentations incorporated the "soar" theme, including a moving piece titled "We Will Soar," where

each student performer stepped forward and recited their individual aspirations.

"I will soar by being intelligent. We will soar by going to college. The world will soar by loving each other," one student pro-

The theme was especially meaningful to Betsy and Janet Voinovich, who said George Voinovich had a love of eagles. His favorite song was the hymn "On Eagle's Wings," and Betsy joked that he would have jumped onstage to sing it if he was there. The women said they were grateful that the event has become a way to not only honor Molly's memory, but also to commemorate her father since his passing in 2016.

"He would have loved to be here today," Betsy Voinovich told the students. "I'm sure he's looking down on you, and I'm sure he's very proud of you."

E. 185th St. Business **Block Watch & Networking Event**

by Alisa Boles

Businesses in both the Euclid and Cleveland sections of E. 185th have expressed a desire to come together to discuss crime prevention and to network. Crime is not limited by the Cleveland-Euclid border and neither should we be when it comes to coming together to rally for the E. 185th business district as a whole. What is good for Euclid is good for Collinwood and vice versa.

EPD & CPD have both agreed to send reps that can 1) speak to patrol issues 2) describe resources that are available to businesses from their respective cities and 3) explain the best way to communicate with them when needed. This event will also serve as an opportunity for businesses to network with one another. Members of City Council are planning on coming as well.

WHEN: Tuesday, December 12, 2017 7 PM - 9 PM WHERE: Cebars Euclid Tavern **WHO:** Open to all businesses on E. 185th Street WHAT: E. 185th Business Block Watch & Networking

Kicking it with Cops: Crafting with Cops

by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

Tis the season to be Kicking it with Cops. Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corp in partnership with St. Clair Superior Development Corp will be hosting Crafting with Cops on Wednesday December 13, 2017 at Five Pointe Community Center from 5:00pm-7:00pm. This event will be the end of our fall/winter series of Kicking it with Cops, so if you haven't made it to any of the events make sure you mark your calendars.

Crafting with Cops is our neighborhood Christmas party and you don't want to miss. Participants will be able to create

Christmas ornaments, variety of handmade gifts, Christmas sugar cookies, write your wish list to Santa and much more. We made sure this event is extra special because Santa Claus is coming to town. Participants will also be able to take pictures

There will be a 50/50 raffle to continue our efforts to help the victims of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico. This event will have food and music. This a is free, family activity and opens to the public. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kristian at 216-268-2138 to get registration

Progress at Northeast Shores....



by Cindy Barber, Vice President and Camille Maxwell, Executive Director Some of you may have noticed that the entire marquee at the LaSalle was removed. Please do not panic. It is just being refabricated, removing old parts with new parts, and will return to its spot shortly!

Special thanks to Councilman Mike Polensek for finding the project support

funding we needed to include LED panel displays on the marquee. With the LED panels we will have the ability to showcase current and upcoming events on the electronic display.

The inside of the LaSalle makeover is also moving quickly and is on track to be finished by the end of 2017, which is absolutely needed so the organization can final-

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Breakfast with Santa!



Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 9th from 10am-12pm because Santa is coming to town! This year's Breakfast with Santa will be held at the Salvation Army located 17625 Grovewood Ave, Cleveland, OH 44119. There will be fun, games, crafts and photos taken with Santa! More information will be posted on our facebook page and through our membership emails.

This event is sponsored by the Salvation Army, Northeast Shores, Gus's diner, and VASJ. Tickets are five dollars per person at the door.

the former director was indicted on several

counts of fraud and money laundering. My

sincere appreciation to Cuyahoga County

Prosecutor, Michael O'Malley, and his of-

fice, Cleveland Neighborhood Progress

(CNP), St Clair Superior Dev. Corp. (SC-

SDC), the Acting Manager of CNVDC,

Jamar Doyle, and the new executive board

for CNVDC for making it clear that we will

not tolerate anyone ripping off our neigh-

As you are also aware, the Cleveland

Police Homicide Unit in partnership with

the 5th District Police, the FBI and the

US Marshalls Office arrested and charged

two more individuals for the brutal double

homicide that took place at Mr Cars on

East 185th Street on Good Friday, April

14, 2017. They now have three individuals

in custody associated with this case. Over

the last several months, there were many

things I could not discuss or divulge at

neighborhood meetings. However, I was

keenly aware, due to tips and informa-

tion that investigators were zeroing in on

these cold blooded killers. One thing is

clear, though, "if you know something, say

something;" believe me, it works. Besides

the hard work of the investigators on this

case, critical information and tips came

from the community via Crime Stoppers

and other sources. You have heard me say,

on numerous occasions, that we all need

to be the eyes and ears of the community;

this case only reinforces this to me and to

the investigators. This was not a random

act of violence but a pre-meditated rob-

bery and murder of two innocent business

people trying to earn a living to support

their family. I prayed every night that law

enforcement would catch the perpetrators

in this case just as I do for Stephen Halton

Jr. He was the young man who was robbed

and murdered on Lakeshore Boulevard on

his way to work at Cleveland Clinic nearly

four years ago come this January. I will not

forget this case or others as well. For, we

Let's send a clear message to the preda-

tors and criminals who wish to victimize

us in our ward; you have picked on the

wrong neighborhood and the wrong peo-

ple. For, we will not rest until these violent

thugs are brought to justice. Thank you, to

all who stand with me in sending that mes-

sage. For, we are "Collinwood Proud and

Collinwood Strong." When you victimize

On behalf of my family, my staff and

our greater Ward 8 community, I wish you

all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY

CHANUKAH, and a joyous KWANZAA.

Above all, I hope for you and yours a

healthy and prosperous NEW YEAR in

one of us, you victimize all of us.

borhood. Stay tuned.

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Councilman's Corner



by Michael D. Polensek

By the time you read this, Thanksgiving will be over. hope you and yours had a happy thanksgiving; we, in the Greater Colinwood commu-

nity have a lot to be thankful for. I wish to thank all the neighborhood groups, clubs, organizations, churches and other institutions, and above all our residents, who have worked so hard this past year in trying to make our community the best it can be, even though we have a lot of work to do yet. I am looking forward to working with all of you on a whole host of projects and initiatives for Ward 8 in 2018.

On a personal note, I would be remiss if I did not thank the voters of Ward 8 for the overwhelming support that they gave me on Election Day, Tuesday, November 7. To receive 87% of the votes cast that day was a very humbling and moving experience. Not only did I receive the highest percentage tally in City Council but I also had the second highest vote total of any councilmember. It goes without saying how I feel about our community. I have lived my entire life on the northeast side of the city and have raised five children here. My world has not been a big one; from my great-grandparents on East 47th Street off of Superior Avenue, to my maternal grandparents on East 120th Street and Darley off East 140th Street, to growing up in the Nottingham neighborhood. I am a proud graduate of Collinwood High School to this very day, and as we all know "Once a Railroader, Always a Railroader."

No councilman in the history of city council has ever received the kind of support I have had throughout my years in public office. I come to work every day to represent the interests of our community. To those who voted for me, from the bottom of my heart - THANK YOU. For those who did not - I hope to gain your confidence and support over this next term representing you in City Council.

As I said earlier, we have a lot of work to do going into next year. We are all waiting to see what impact the Federal Budget will have on our City. Some of the proposals coming out of Washington are, quite frankly, scary. I am hoping, like the majority of Americans, that common sense will prevail on Capitol Hill at the end of the day, and that the urban areas of our country will not be put in financial harm's way with cuts to critical federal initiatives and pro-

grams. Stay tuned, for we are all watching. With any program and service there must be accountability, though. As I informed our community in my ward-wide newsletter in October and at neighborhood meetings in Collinwood Village, earlier this year I had asked the County Prosecutor to undertake an investigation of the Collinwood Nottingham Villages Development Corporation (CNVDC) due to growing concerns I had regarding questionable financial dealings of the former Executive Director. As a result of their investigation,

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1st Thursday of the Month 5:30 PM Salvation Army Temple Corp 17625 Grovewood Avenue

EAST 185th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

2nd Tuesday of the Month 6:00 PM Lithuanian Hall 877 East 185th Street - next to Post Office

2nd Wednesday of the Month (September to June) 6:30 PM Collinwood Slovenian Home 15810 Holmes Avenue

DEMOCRATIC WARD CLUB

FRIENDS OF COLLINWOOD RECREATION

PRESIDENT: Councilman Polensek

2nd Thursday of the Month 6:15 PM Collinwood Recreation Center

16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

5th DISTRICT COMMUNITY RELATIONS

3rd Wednesday of the month Collinwood Five Points Community Center Fast 152 Street except for: May (Murtis Taylor). July (St Clair Superior Dev Corp), October (Cleveland Job Corps Annual Dinner),

EAST 156th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

November (Glenville Rec Ctr.)

3rd Thursday of the month

East 152 Street

Collinwood Recreation Center 16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

EAST 140TH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

4TH Wednesday of the Month (March to November) Collinwood Five Points Community Center

CLEVELAND CITY COUNCIL Monday night at 7:00 PM Please note – this is a public and an open

meeting but does not take public commentary Any questions about these meetings please feel free to call

Mary Louise Jesek Daley,

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HGR is full of artifacts! Do you like to dig around at thrift stores, flea markets, estate sales? Do you have a love for building, fixing, making, history, machinery, manufacturing, bygone days? Our customers are archeologists. They come to HGR's 500,000-square-foot showroom and dig



around in the remains from other businesses, offices and manufacturers looking for that prize, that find, that deal. The building is full of clues about the past.

When I walk the aisles I think about

what these machines made, who ran them, and, even, who designed and made the machines. It's a huge part of our culture. Everything is manufactured. Everything you use, wear, drive in, live in. These are all products made somewhere by someone. We can't even begin to imagine how or the process that goes into it if we've never

worked in a factory. Those who do know the rigor that goes into making a quality, precision product from the concept to design to materials to manufacture to distribution to sales to use by the consumer. It's a huge pipeline on which our economy and

When a company upgrades equipment, changes a process or, even, goes out of business, it has material assets that it needs to sell in order to recoup some of its assets and reinvest them. Selling surplus also keeps these items out of a landfill and in

use, allowing smaller or startup companies to buy the equipment that they need affordably. That includes everything in its offices (chairs, desks, tables, anything in or on a desk, computers), maintenance department (cleaning supplies, light bulbs, gloves, bathroom/hygiene products) and on its production floor (storage bins, solvents, tools, machines, equipment, welding shields, fire extinguishers).

Think about it as anything and everything that keeps a company running. HGR Industrial Surplus sends its buyers into these customers' facilities to bid on whatever they are selling. If they buy it, HGR transports it to Euclid, Ohio, and resells it to local customers in the Cleveland area and to international customers through its website at hgrinc.com. Whatever that manufacturer made may also be for sale if they had unsold lots of their product (wine glasses, rugs, safety glasses, leather). That's why you can find anything and everything at HGR Industrial Surplus. Aisle 1 is a favorite of many customers when they go "digging." Gina M. Tabasso, marketing communications specialist, HGR Industrial Surplus, www.

Q&A with Claudia Young, Co-owner of Pizzeria Citizen Pie



by Gina Tabasso Who are the owners of Citizen Pie? Vytauras Sasnauskas, Claudia Young and Paulius Nasyvtis

What did you each do before forming Citi-

Vytauras (aka V) was the owner and chef at Americano in Bratenahl Place. Claudia was in the music business in Nashville, Paulius owns The Velvet Tango Room.

Why was Collinwood selected as your loca-

Paulius grew up in Collinwood. Alan Glazen of GlazenUrban, a private community development corporation, brought us to the location, and we liked it. Collinwood, and Waterloo specifically seemed like a perfect spot for our first location. We could start small and grow with the community. We have grown to love and respect our neighborhood. It is filled with so many great What made vou decide to go in together

and open a pizzeria?

We have been close friends of V, and he wanted out of the restaurant business since pizza was his 10-year hobby, and we just thought it sounded like a great idea to open a shop. Again, Alan Glazen was very instrumental in coming up with the idea to do the pizzeria. It just made sense. We all said "yes" and never looked back.

Of all the toppings that you can put on a pizza, how was the menu decided?

That's all V. He tends to get his best inspiration in the shower. But, really, V has a brilliant mind when it comes to food. He is an amazing talent.

I hear that your pizza sells out fast. When's the best time to come by?

No slices are available. We sell 12-inch pies only. We rarely run out of dough, but it has happened about a dozen times in 18 months. Do you have specials?

We always have one rotating special – about one per month.

How does V stay so thin eating all that

I'm not sure, but I hate him for it. Big time. (The man rarely stops moving.) Why is the shop called "Citizen Pie?" I

know V grew up under Soviet occupation. The name came to me, and I just really liked it. The name Citizen Pie is really not about V's life in Lithuania.

What do you do when you are not making

V is a busy man with two active kids and a big yard, but he loves to cook. It's his true passion. He is also a big Cavs fan!

Any plans to franchise or open additional

Yes. We are opening this summer on W. 25th St. We're under construction right now. Where do you buy most of your ingredi-

Every ingredient we use is seriously considered. You just have no idea... so, our sources are pretty spread out.

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Pet Care Resources for Ward 8 Residents







Friends of the Cleveland Kennel (F.O.C.K.) is a 501(c)3 organization, founded in 2003, whose mission is to provide the necessary medical and general care to the dogs and cats in need at Cleveland Animal Care & Control (CACC), while working to reduce intake numbers and save lives by providing affordable resources and education to Cleveland residents. F.O.C.K. believes that all residents of Ward 8 deserve access to affordable wellness care for their beloved cats and dogs. Residents may recall the enormously successful Canine Wellness Day events, sponsored by F.O.C.K., that were held in the Collinwood and Glenville neighborhoods in past years. We are extremely excited to announce a new program from F.O.C.K., which builds on the services provided at those events, called Neighborhood Pets Outreach & Resource Center. Neighborhood Pets' mission is to help end animal suffering, manage pet population, and keep pets in their homes through affordable pet care, resources, and education for pet owners; thereby reduc-

ing intake at Cleveland area shelters. Visit neighborhoodpetscle.org for more infor-

Services Available to All Ward 8 Resi-

- Walk-in Microchip Clinic, 1st Thursday of the month, 1-3 pm
- Low cost flea prevention and dewormer • Affordable leashes, collars, treats, and • other supplies
- Counseling and referrals

Services Available to Qualifying Ward 8

- Scheduled Vaccine Clinics
- Emergency Pet Food Assistance Program • Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program
- FREE ID Tags

Hours - Location - Contact

TUE. & THUR., 12 -4 pm; SAT., 10 am -1 pm 3711 E. 65 St., Cleveland, OH 44105 one block north of Fleet Ave info@neighborhoodpetscle.org Facebook: @neighborhoodpetscle

Being single in Cleveland

by Umeikia Whiting

It is very hard as a female in my opinion to be single in Cleveland. The locations and food is never a problem in Cleveland in fact there is always something to do in even if you're just hanging out with your friends or walking your dog. Being single in Cleveland is complicated simply because no one ever wants to tell the truth about if they are seeing one or more people. Everybody wants their cake and eat it too. When it comes to dating in Cleveland you also have to be safe as well always let someone know who are you with and where you're going. Being single in Cleveland does make you feel as if there is no one available for

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you. I'm single in Cleveland and I still believe in true love. But dating multiple people has never been my thing. But in alot of ways you have to date multiple people to truly find the one who wants a relationship as much as you. The Cleveland single life can also be smooth and calm because if it doesn't work out then maybe you have a new friend. You can also get your heart broken being single in Cleveland if you're not careful. I'm speaking from experience only. Commitment is not the main course in Cleveland unless you already have a tab. Let's just face being single in Cleveland is

A Song to Remember

Classical music is the hallmark of our civilization. Its roots go back ancient Greece. The main style periods of classical music are the Medieval, Renaissance, Baroque, Classical, Romantic Impressionistic and 20th Century. Music composed in all of these periods is still being performed today.

However, there is concern among music lovers that this type of music will disappear. Education can help solve this problem. Fine music is better appreciated when the listener knows something about it. All the music education the schools can provide is wonderful. Private instruction, libraries and the internet are also valuable resources. Perhaps more

important is for society to place value on this type of music and keep it thriving for future

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The piano has always been the most popular instrument. It was invented in 1709 by Bartolomeo Cristofori. More music has been written for it than anyone can play in a lifetime. There are concertos for piano and orchestra, solo works and chamber music among others. In the 19th century, there was a piano in every home and everyone played. Amateur music making was prevalent. I have dedicated my life to music as a piano teacher. After 40 years I still love it. Anyone interested can call me at 216-357-3034.

Collinwood High opens for night rec & community programs

Did vou know that Collinwood High School is open three nights a week for all ages recreation, fitness classes, dinner for kids and more—all for free?

It's open from 6-8 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays whenever school is in session, now through the end of March, thanks to a partnership between Cleveland Rec, the Cleveland Metropolitan School District, and Neighborhood Leadership Institute.

Amenities include a weight room with free weights and basketball courts with open gym. The CMSD has been working on the pool and reports that it should be ready to reopen after the holiday break.

Enrichment programs include aerobics from 7-8 pm with Body Rocks Dance & Fitness; board games and arts & crafts with Vanessa Windham; and Tai Chi classes with Chris Burnett from 6-7 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. There's a line dancing class on Wednesdays, and chess every day. Whatever your energy level or ability, there's a program for you.

Getting in on the program is easy, and all ages are welcome. Convenient covered

parking is available, and you enter through the side door on the one-way drive off St.

On your first visit, you'll register at the front desk with site coordinator Kevin Bates or site administrator Serena Ellis. After that, you'll just check in at the desk on the way to your program, just like you would at a rec center.

While you're there, check out the multipurpose room, lunchroom, auditorium, classrooms and other spaces with an eye on what other activities you'd like to see held there, because the program theme for this year is 'Bring it!'. The Institute is looking to connect more with the community around the site, and program director Blair Wise is looking for feedback from folks in Collinwood about events, activities and existing community programs that might use free space during program hours.

You can schedule your block club, afterschool program, mom's group, film class or book club for a one time or recurring session at Collinwood. Just reach out to Blair by phone at 216-658-1360, or by email, blair@neighborhoodleadership.org.

Artist Live/Work Space Available!!!!



by Carly Lovely

Dream of having a place where you can live and create art? If so, you need a state of the art live/work space! Join a community of artists at this renovated residence. Artist tenants will receive the opportunity to rent, earn equity and display their work all in the same building, thanks to the local non-profit company Northeast Shores Development Corporation, in a partnership

with Cincinnati-based, Cornerstone Corporation for Shared Equity.

This live/work studio is a short walk away from the Waterloo Arts & Entertainment District, short walk from Euclid Beach Metro Park, and a 10 minute drive from downtown

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- · Stainless steel refrigerator, range and
- Fireplace (Non-operable)
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Community

What's Cooking in Collinwood: Cooking with Cops Recap



Cleaning with Cops 2017 Group photo



by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

When it comes to improving community and police relations "Cooking with Cops" was a recipe for success. Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corp in partnership with St. Clair Superior Development Corp hosted Cooking with Cops on Thursday November 16, 2017 at Five Pointe Community Center. Participants included local residents, students from Job Corp, volunteers from

Cleveland Clinic and officers from Cleveland Police 5th District. We had a diverse group of participants of all ages; everyone was a part of making our full course meal.

"Community building through service" "Cooking with Cops kicks off with a full house of chefs. Nothing brings people together like cooking and eating together!" says Jamar Doyle, managing Director of Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corp

The full course meal included a salad filled







with healthy veggies, mashed potatoes, sweet corn, rotisserie chicken, and fall sugar cookies. We also included a vegetarian option which was vegetarian meatballs. We set the room up in cooking stations and each station was in charge of cooking a specific dish.

We prepped together, cooked together, served together, and ate together. We also had a turkey coloring contest for the kids and a 50/50 raffle as we continue our ongoing efforts to help the victims of Hurricane Maria



in Puerto Rico. Lastly, we raffled off a turkey to a family to eat for Thanksgiving. This event was a true success. Everyone had a good time and definitely made a bond with our 5th Dis-

Cooking with Cops was supported by Ward 8 Councilman Michael Polensek, Cuyahoga County Councilman Anthony Hairston, Cleveland Police 5th District, City of Cleveland Community Relations Board and Cleveland Neighborhood Progress.

We Made a Difference: Cleaning with Cops Recap



Cleaning with Cops 2017 Group photo

by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

"The leaves are falling and the trash was calling." Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corp in partnership with St. Clair Superior Development Corp hosted "Cleaning with Cops" on Saturday October 28, 2017 at Five Pointe Commuunteers, and 5th District Lieut. Montanaro, Sergeant McCaulley and Officer Hampton worked together in teams to clean along E. 152nd Street. We even had volunteers come out from Cleveland Clinic to help us clean our neighborhood.

"This is a great opportunity to work with the residents in the community. "People



this clean-up teaches the participants of be-

ing mindful about loitering and how much

cleaning your neighborhood can make a

difference" says Kristian Hunter, Ameri-

Corps VISTA for Collinwood & Notting-

Although it was a rainy day, we worked

ham Villages Development Corp

Volunteers picking up trash along E. 152nd Street

and recycle. At the end of the clean up, participants had lunch and some participants won prizes. Prizes winners received two tickets to a Cavs game, two tickets to a Browns game, movie gift cards, \$25 Visa gift card, and candy baskets. The clean up was a success. We were determined to truly make a difference especially on National



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Local Hero Serves in National Service Program



Devlin Chambers prepares to fly to Sacramento, CA as part of Americorps National Service Corp.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. Devlinbleu Chambers, 18, of Euclid recently began a 10-month term of service in the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), an AmeriCorps program. Chambers, based out of the regional campus in Sacramento, is currently serving on his first project. He arrived in Sacramento in mid-October to begin training. This training emphasized teamwork, leadership development, communication, safety, and project prepara-

As a Corps Member, Chambers will be responsible for completing a series of sixto 12-week-long service projects as part of a 10- to 12-person team. His first service projects will end in mid-December, at which time the teams will break for the winter holidays and begin a new project in a new location in January. Devlin's first assignment was assisting with cleanup from Hurricane Irma in Northern Florida.

Twenty-three teams composed of 279 Corps Members and Team Leaders began service projects in November throughout the Pacific region and areas affected by recent hurricanes. Some of these projects include supporting wildfire response and recovery in California and Washington, renovating transitional housing for homeless youth in Wyoming, and assisting with hurricane recovery in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, among a variety of other projects.

There are four additional NCCC campuses located in Denver, Colo., Baltimore, Md., Vinton, Iowa, and Vicksburg, Miss., each of which is a hub for its respective area of the country.

Before joining the NCCC, Chambers graduated from Hawken Upper School in Gates Mills in June 2017. Chambers said, "I decided to do a term of national service through NCCC, because I wanted to make an impact in the world before college." Devlin is the son of Louise A. Foresman and Dan M. Chambers of Sunnycliff Drive

AmeriCorps NCCC members, all 18 to 24 years old, complete at least 1,700 hours of service during the 10-month program. In exchange for their service, they receive \$5,815 to help pay for college. Other benefits include a small living stipend, room and board, leadership development, team building skills, and the knowledge that, through active citizenship, they can indeed make a difference. AmeriCorps NCCC is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Founded in 1994, AmeriCorps NCCC is a residential national service program that supports disaster relief, the environment, infrastructure improvement, energy conservation, and urban and rural development. Over the past 23 years, over 1 million Americans have served the nation through the family of AmeriCorps programs. Currently, about 80,000 people serve in AmeriCorps programs nationwide each year, with about 2,000 of those in AmeriCorps NCCC. For more information about AmeriCorps NCCC, visit the website at www.nationalservice.gov/nccc.

Historical Entryway Restored with **Help from Neighborhood Connections**



located at The Villa Beach Club, where residents used a grant to restore the beauty and safety of the

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

Driving along Lakeshore Boulevard in the early 20th century, you would have come across many hand-built stone pillars and other statuesque markers defining entrances into small residential communities and campgrounds within the North Collinwood and Euclid neighborhoods.

Modeled after the famous Euclid Beach Park arch over the entrance to the former amusement park (and now the entrance to the Euclid Beach Apartments), area residents erected similarly styled structures in the 1900's – 1920's in cottage developments that served as summer retreats for religious groups, prominent Cleveland socialites and families enjoying amusements and recreation on Lake Erie.

One of the last remaining original entryways is located at The Villa Beach Club, just west of E.156th Street north of Lakeshore Boulevard. While the overall structure has remained intact and mostly stable over nearly a one hundred year period, some of the mortar was failing, roof tiles were broken and the lead-based paint system was flaking. Recent repaving of Lakeshore Boulevard and adjacent sidewalks were not kind to the historic structure and repairs were in order. A small group of residents banded together to formulate a plan to return the structure to a point of pride for the

December 2017

Over the course of the past few years, residents of Villa Beach have fundraised for an entry renovation - which in addition to serving cars and pedestrians entering the private community, provides shelter for RTA riders at the nearby bus stop. A yard sale in summer 2016, a dues assessment to Villa Beach homeowners and a previous grant award offset by volunteer labor and materials were recently leveraged to win a 'Neighborhood Connections' grant for \$2,500. This funding allowed for not only a renovation of the structure, but a restoration of some elements to return the fine artisanship of the stonework and rope-joint mortar to its original glory. In addition, the lead paint was properly abated and decorative additions made in recent decades were removed. New painted tiles and wood supports will match their original colors when the work is completed in spring 2018.

From the beginning, the concern for safety of those in and around the entryway drove the efforts. Over the past few decades, a metal pipe and wooden signs were added, but the new signage proved ineffective especially for emergency vehicles who had difficultly locating the property. New address numbers and other signage is planned to fit with the authentic character of the entryway while providing ideal legibility for emergency vehicles.

Neighborhood Connections provides residents of Cleveland opportunities to improve their communities through grant funded projects. This application was submitted with support from Councilman Polensek and Northeast Shores Development Corporation. The Villa Beach Club is proud to have restored one on of the last remaining original entryways and to have made an investment so that future generations can learn about and appreciate the significant history of North Collinwood.

Top 5 Reasons to Sell Your Company's Surplus Assets to a Reseller



HGR Industrial Surplus' 500,000-square-foot showroom (courtesy of Bivens Photography)

by Gina Tabasso

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HGR buys more than 4,500 truckloads of equipment each year, and gets about 300-400 new items in its showroom per day.

Sewer District's Euclid Creek Shoaling Removal Project Underway

The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District began the Euclid Creek Shoaling Removal Project in mid-November and will continue work through late January. The project is located directly south of the intersection of Lakeshore Boulevard and Marcella Road and will improve conveyance of stormwater in the "shoaling", which is another term for sand, gravel and woody material that has accumu-

The Sewer District is performing the shoaling removal under their Regional Stormwater Management Program. The Stormwater Program addresses problems related to stormwater runoff from hard surfaces. Runoff contributes to regional stream flooding, erosion, and water-quality issues, and the program improves the Sewer District's ability to address stormwater problems that cross community

The lower section of Euclid Creek has a history of flood management and erosion control. In the 1930s, the Works Progress Administration (WPA) constructed stone walls along portions of the stream banks north of Villaview Road. In the 1980s, the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) modified the WPA walls, constructed a concrete channel, and enlarged the opening at the Lakeshore

Blvd bridge to improve stormwater capacity.

In the early 1990s, the concrete channel was extended an additional 600 feet downstream by USACE as part on Emergency Streambank Rehabilitation Project. The USACE requires the concrete channel be maintained regularly and relatively free from debris; this requirement provides adequate stormwater capacity

The project includes excavation of approximately 7400 cubic yards of sediment and removal of weedy vegetation along Euclid Creek. Construction will be limited to the 1500-foot concrete-lined channel as well as the vacant lot on the south side of the intersection of Lakeshore Boulevard and Marcella Road. Orange construction fencing has been placed around the construction area. Construction traffic (including tarped dump trucks) will travel east and west along Lakeshore Boulevard; trucks will not use Marcella Road, Brian Avenue, or other neighborhood streets. The Sewer District has an agreement with the City of Cleveland that allows crews to access Euclid Creek when necessary to perform this critical maintenance.

Questions about this project can be directed to the Sewer District's Customer Service Department at (216) 881-8247 or askus@

School and Library News

The Lowdown at Lakeshore Intergenerational School



by Shawn Hallowell WHERE WE'VE BEEN:

As Summer turned to Fall, we too got into a festive mood with our school events/ activities. Our Primary Cluster students got to visit Patterson's Fruit Farm. There, our students enjoyed a behind the scenes tour of the market and farm. Students also got to enjoy Patterson's "Fun Fest" an interactive outdoor adventure that includes haystacks, treehouses, corn mazes, hikes and wagon rides through the fall foliage. Halloween brought some tricks and treats with



Exploring the Jazz Age at CMA with our friends from Bridge Arts.

our annual Halloween Costume Parade. An added bonus, our Primary Students were invited to Villa Angela Saint Joseph's "Halloween on Campus" our students were paired up with high school students for a

day of fun, games, and snacks!

Our Family Group held their annual Fall Dance, our students got to dance the night away with a special family member, friends and staff members. November also saw us begin a new Intergenerational Partnership with Bridge Arts, an adult learning center for individuals with learning dis-



Making friends at "Halloween on Campus" with VASJ students.

abilities. Our partnership with them will be all about learning and exploring commonalities between our students and theirs through the use of various art programs in Collinwood and Cleveland (or first visit was to the Cleveland Museum of Art for the

WHAT'S NEXT:

We look to close our 2017 with a flurry of activities, in addition to our monthly IG Visits. Beginning November 29th and including two more sessions in December



LeBron James, Astronaut, and Ninja Turtle partaking in our annual Halloween Parade.

one of our Primary Cluster classes will work with Lakeshore Rose Center to develop and perform an Intergenerational Play. On December 5th our school will host, Mr. Michael Estime, of Channel 3 News, for an informational afternoon all about Cleveland weather! Finally, before we all depart for Winter Break, our students and staff will have our annual Winter Celebration Learning on Friday, December 15th. Stay informed and learn more by visiting us on social media or at www.lakeshoreschool.

Hannah Gibbons hosts Presentation of Learning

by CMSD News Bureau

The community is invited to attend as Hannah Gibbons School hosts a free Presentation of Learning at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Students in all grades will present projects that touch on multiple subjects. The students have worked all semester on the projects, which were aligned to Common

Core State Standards

Five grades will display work that they have been developing with the Progressive Arts Alliance. Dance routines performed by kindergartners will explain weather. Third-graders will show stop animation.

Hannah Gibbons is located at 1401 Larchmont Road.

Snow May Fall, Winds May Blow, **But Programs at Collinwood Library Will Continue to Flow!**

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Cpl-collwd@cpl.org YOUTH PROGRAMS: Kids Café

In collaboration with the Cleveland Food Bank, Kids' Café is being served! Monday - Friday--3:30pm-4:30pm

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 (Schedule may vary due to Holidays and Spring Break)

Fractal Snowflakes

Learn about the Koch Fractal Snowflake! Create amazing snowflakes step-by-step by using special triangle grid paper. After creating these snowy creations, we'll go online to look at how a computer can create equally dazzling designs! Thursday, December 14th @ 4:30pm

Cleveland Museum of Art-In Your Neighborhood

Staff from the Cleveland Museum of Art will be joining here at Collinwood Branch for a fun and exciting art project. This will be a workshop style class where the students will get to work and create their own

Thursdays, November 9th, 30th, & December 14th 3:00pm-4:00pm

ADULT PROGRAMS:

Free Computer Classes Microsoft Word I, II, III, IV, & Office

In this series of classes you will learn the basics of Microsoft Word including how to enter and edit text, open, save, print, create tables, tabs and bullets, format text and paragraphs, and add headers and footers. In Office Graphics you will learn how to insert and edit pictures, ClipArt, shapes, text

boxes, SmartArt, and WordArt. Fridays, December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th 11:15am-12:45pm

Free Basic Skills Classes

In Collaboration with Cuyahoga County Public Library ABLE Program, we invite you to join us to improve your reading, writing, math and critical thinking skills

Monday and Wednesday, 1:15pm - 3:15pm

The Beauty Inside Presents: Beauty Bash

This program is open to young ladies ranging in age from 10-21 and will be having our first informational Meet and Greet hosted at Collinwood Branch Library! This is a youth mentoring program that was created to spark the true beauty that is found within! For more information contact the Director at 216-905-3297. Email: thebeautyinside16@gmail.com

Saturday, December 9th --1:00pm-5:00pm



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Fridays

The Original Waysiders the 8th Ryann Anderson Trio the 15th Blues Chronicles the 22nd Deluxe Galaxy the 29th

Saturdays

Waterloo Cats Fundraiser the 9th Vinyl Night the 16th

All shows start between 8pm - 9pm

Faith

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Academics Community

December 2017

Aladdin Cast Delivers Magical Performance



This year's OLL Parish production of Aladdin was a huge success, with XXX people enjoying three shows on stage at Shore Cultural Centre. Under the guidance of Youth Minister Rita Testa, a dedicated crew of



parent volunteers, a skilled directing team and a talented cast of more than 50 youth came together and made theater magic. Congratulations - your production was a





OLL Students Get Real-Life Lessons in STEM Program



Each year, Our Lady of the Lake School features a STEM program, thanks to generous support from the Dominion Foundation. This year our theme was Celebrating Green Space, and what a wonderful theme it was!

Thanks to the leadership of 7th grade teacher, Mrs. Jenny Millett, and 2nd grade teacher, Miss Lauren Zbiegien, the students were able to participate in events and field trips throughout the year, including a trip to an aquaponics farm, visits from county representatives who taught about recycling and composting (and students even built their own compost bins!), and participation in

the Great Lakes Great Apple Crunch. Classes visited the West Side Market, learned about local foods and created displays to share knowledge on a range of STEM topics. This all culminated in a showcase at the end of STEM week, attended by family, friends, and parishioners. The students had a wonderful time – and they had invaluable opportunities to apply their learning in real-life settings. STEM week at OLL School is a great example of how we take learning outside the classroom, with innovative curriculum and a creative teaching team.



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Advent and Christmas Services



by Adele Markert Come celebrate His **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

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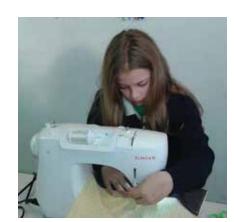
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SEW much fun!



Brianna enjoyed learning how to use a sewing



Allison concentrates on keeping the seam straight



Kyra and Qiaja pick out fabric for their projects.

by Adele Markert

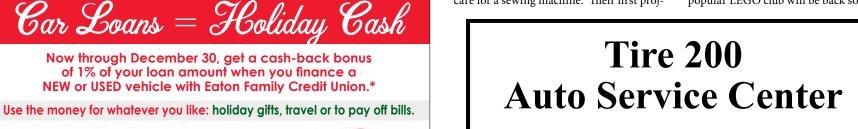
Our students are learning to sew thanks to Kathy Payerchin and her new after school Sewing Club. Students learn how to cut out pieces from a pattern and how to use and care for a sewing machine. Their first proj-



Yahzmeen learned how important it is to cut your pattern pieces out carefully

ect was a patchwork pillow.

New clubs start every few months. This fall there was a book club, music club, and a math club which attracted a lot of students for number fun and skill building. The ever popular LEGO club will be back soon!



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Thankful Thanksgiving



Teachers had some friendly competition during their 'Thanksgiving Throwdown". Let the games begin!



Thank you to all the donations in our canned food drive. Here was our graph displaying our progress as we "Stuffed the Turkey".



What cute Kindergarten turkeys!



Time for some turkey hats!

Thanksgiving fun was seen throughout the school. First grade had a feast, we stuffed the "turkey", and many other projects are featured in the photos. On the professional development day before Thanksgiving



4th graders added soil and watered a pumpkin in the science experiment to watch it grow right from

Break the teachers started off the day with a fun "Thanksgiving Throwdown" competition! Thank you to all the parents, students, and staff that make Imagine Bella such a special place.

Friday Clubs

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Buzzing excitement as students signed up for Friday clubs!

Imagine Bella Annual Costume Parade



On October 31st, Imagine Bella held it's annual costume parade. It was made possible through family donations of candy and helpers that passed out candy at different stations in the school building. Since it was chilly, the parade stayed indoors as

students walked the hallways to pick up treats as the music was blasting through the hallways. Check out some of the photos and thanks again for the awesome parent volunteers and donations!





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VASJ students collect items for homeless

by Madison Ledyard-King '18

With the Christmas season approaching, VASJ's Christian Leadership class has decided to put together care packages to donate to The City Mission in Cleveland, Ohio.

The City Mission is a non-profit organization that provides shelter for the homeless. Knowing that the homeless don't have easy and reliable access to certain items, the Christian Leadership students want to provide them with the necessities they would need for winter.

The Christian Leadership students put together posters, formulated announcements, and created a slide show, which was played at the school's Thanksgiving Prayer Service, to promote the drive.

Through December 14, VASJ students, faculty and staff, and the entire Viking community are encouraged to participate.

In addition to the personal care items listed below, monetary donations in any amount will also be accepted. Donations can be brought to the school's main office.

The goal is to generate enough items to make over 100 care packages to be donated to homeless people in Cleveland. Any support is appreciated.

Items being collected include: socks, hats, gloves, toothbrushes, toothpaste, chapstick, lotion, feminine products, deodorant, brushes, combs, soap, wipes, water bottles, food, tissues, shampoo, conditioner, etc.



Students in VASJ's Christian Leadership Class are undertaking a collection of personal care items during the month of December to donate to The City Mission of Cleveland.

Vance Marbury named VASJ's new Director of Athletics



Vance Marbury has been named the new Athletic Director at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School. The announcement was made on November 20 by VASJ Principal David Csank and President Bill Cervenik '72.

With a masters degree in Sports Management and experience working in various athletic departments, Marbury is more than qualified.

"The search process was very thorough and we examined dozens of qualified candidates," Csank says. "Vance's experiences running a variety of youth athletic programs, budgeting, and fundraising made him stand out from all others."

Marbury's time spent mentoring and coaching youth in his current

role at the Boys and Girls Club and other capacities, make him an ideal candidate for the job.

"During the interview, it was clear Vance understood that in addition to being the Athletic Director, he has a responsibility to serve as a role model and to ensure that academic success remains a priority for all studentathletes," Cervenik says.

Marbury officially started in his new position at VASJ on November 27

"I'm excited to work at VASJ because of the rich tradition the school has," Marbury says. "We want to be one of the best athletic schools in the state, so we will work hard towards that goal."

Marbury will be replacing Nate Zavorek '94 who recently announced his family is moving out of state.

"We want to thank Nate for his dedication to VASJ and all he has done for not only Viking athletics, but the entire Viking Village," Csank says. "We wish him all the best as he begins this next chapter in his life."

The search committee is confident they have found the ideal replacement to continue Nate's great work at VASJ.

"We are grateful to Nate for all he accomplished during his five years at VASJ and we are sad to see him go," Cervenik says. "We are thankful to have found Vance who has the vision needed to continue the strong tradition and history of Viking Athletics."

Save the date for VASJ's Continue the Dream gala on Feb. 17

VASJ will be holding a benefit gala in 2018, but this year with a few exciting changes.

The February 17 event will take place at La Malfa Center in Mentor with a Mardi Gras theme

with a Mardi Gras theme.

Retired Fox 8 sportscaster Mark

Schroeder will serve as the live auctioneer.

As always, there will be a strong presence of VASJ students so guests can hear directly the positive impact our school has on the lives of our students.

Performances by the men's and women's choirs will be a highlight of the event

Sponsorships and advertisement spots can be secured at any time and auction item donations are being accepted now. Full sponsorship,

advertisment and auction donation information can be found on the event web page at vasj.com/continuethedream.

Registration will officially open on Friday, January 5. We hope you are able to join us.



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Cuyahoga Council ten cent fee for plastic bags is a bad idea.

one cent bag. That is like paying a ten dollar

fee for a one dollar item. In the Ordinance,

the Cuyahoga Council calls it a fee. If they

Simon has said that 319 million plastic

bags are used each year, and the ten cent fee

is to deter their use. If the County expects

less plastic bags use, why is the County

planning to create an Environmental Re-

medial Fund to collect the fees from the

bag sales? If the fee does not deter plastic

bag use, and if sales stay the same, this

could amount \$31,900,000 in revenue to be

divided between the County and the gro-

cers. (319,000,000 million bags times x .10

That is a lot of money!

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Where can I recycle my plastics?

by Jeanne Coppola

The new Ordinance introduced by Cuyahoga Council members Sunny Simon and Dale Miller to charge ten cents for every paper and plastic carry out bag at retail stores is a bad idea. The plastic bags are a convenience and service provided to the customers for their purchases. (Isn't the cost already included in the purchase?) Will the fee make people pay twice?

Simon has said that plastics are polluting Lake Erie. But she has not said if plastic bags are causing the plastic pollution in Lake Erie, or what she will do about other sources of plastic pollution in Lake Erie (like plastic bottles.)

The ten cent fee is a huge markup for a

ty receives six cents and the retailers keep four cents.

The County will get \$19,140,000 (319,000,000 million bags x .06 =\$19,140,000), and the grocers will get \$12,760,000 (319 million bags x .04 cents =

Plastic bags are made in the USA! The County will be making money off of the workers who manufacture these plastic

People reuse them for household purposes, and plastic bags can be recycled at the grocery store.

How will the County use the nineteen million dollars to clean up Lake Erie?

Simon has stated that there are microplastics in Lake Erie, and people are drinking the small particles of plastic. But, according to the Environmental Protection Agency, a lot of microplastics come from toothpastes, facial scrubs, and fibers that are shed from synthetic fabrics in the laundry, not from plastic bags. Microplastics also come from agricultural runoff. What will Simon do about this problem?

If Simon is concerned about plastic pollution in Lake Erie, what is she doing about plastic bottles that are a major source of pollution? The plastic bottle pollution seems to be worse that the plastic bag problem, because there is a huge floating plastic bottle island in Lake Erie. It is called "the Lake Erie garbage patch."

How is Simon planning to help people who want to recycle, but can't, because they live in apartments, and cities in Cuyahoga

County only provide recycling containers to private homes. What is she doing about the public recycling containers that were removed buy the city of Cleveland, because people polluted them with trash? The offenders were not stopped, and the people who want to recycle, can't.

Why doesn't the County take over this problem, and provide at least a few locations where people can recycle their plastic milk jugs, plastic water bottles, and plastic

Where can residents in Cuyahga County recycle? Where can people who have lots of plastic bottles take them?

Why doesn't the County provide a pickup service? If they did, I would sign up immediately, because I want to also recycle my glass, cardboard, metal food cans, aluminum cans, mail, magazines, newspapers, and plastic bottles: milk jugs, orange juice bottles, pop bottles, yogurt cups, ketchup bottles, and mustard bottles!

Why doesn't the County provide at least a few localities to recycle plastic, even if it is only once a month? Why can't fire stations or churches or community centers have a

Why aren't there any places where residents can recycle their plastic bottles that they use at home?

Stop the bag fee, and provide places to

A solution to the plastic bag problem would be to have retailers use biodegradable plastic bags, and not for the County to make money from plastic bag sales!

Progress at Northeast Shores....

ize the tax-credit funding we received. Because of this big push to complete the LaSalle renovation, Northeast Shores is going to start working on a big opening party that will take place in the spring. In the future we anticipate hosting community meetings at the LaSalle. We are seeking an event coordinator, who very soon will be able to discuss booking community events, arts programming, performing acts, weddings and family reunions beginning in the spring of 2018.

Currently we have storefront spaces available at the LaSalle and will soon be scheduling apartment tour dates for the available units above the LaSalle

Because we are all very excited about the grand opening of the newly renovated LaSalle Theater, Northeast Shores will be taking a break from the annual Taste of the Neighborhood this year. Instead we ask that you please be on the lookout for upcoming events hosted at the LaSalle that will celebrate the neighborhood and great-

We are still doing the annual Santa breakfast on Saturday, December 9, in collaboration with the Salvation Army, at their new facility on Grovewood from 10 to noon, with the help and support of Gus's

Also please note that Northeast Shores will be moving our offices to the Hospice of the Western Reserve on E 185th during the first couple weeks of December. The office will shut-down for the holidays from Monday, December 18- January 2 and re-open at our new location on Wednesday, January 3. But staff will be checking voicemails and

And please plan on attending the annual meeting on January 16th where we will elect new board members and ask the membership to vote on organizational bylaw updates. If you are not yet a member of Northeast Shores Development Corporation, we ask that you join before the end of the year and get involved. The organization is only as strong as its membership.





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A Guide to Grieving During the Holidays

by By Diane Snyder Cowan, MA, MT-BC, CHPCA - Director, Western Reserve Grief Services Hospice of the Western Reserve Many people think about making resolu-

tions in the New Year. Lose weight, eat better, exercise more and spend less are common examples of resolutions long forgotten by the first of February. For those grieving a death, resolutions may be the farthest thing from the mind. But perhaps your resolution might be mindfully adjusting to

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the absence of your loved one. Adjusting to the loss includes making meaning of the life changes brought on by the death. Here are some things to consider:

• Be honest with your feelings. Others might expect you to be "over it" at three or six months post death, but there is no calendar for grief. Find a place, a way, or a person with whom you can express your

• Do something that feels good. This can be

spending time with people you like, finding a hobby that provides an outlet for your creative energy, or an escape from the dayto-day. Doing something often builds selfesteem through a sense of accomplishment. • Take a walk or hike, make art, journal, listen to music, be with others.

• Talk about your deceased loved one. Say his or her name out loud. Find ways to honor or include him or her at holidays and special occasions. Create a remembrance project such as a scrapbook, photo album or a collection of recipes or letters.

Give yourself permission to change. Life is different now. Consider what you have lost, what you have left and what you are going to do now. What is becoming of the person you used to be and who are you now? What lessons or self-discoveries have

• Continue your loved one's legacy. Think about what was important to the person who died. There are ways you can transform your grief into a legacy of love. Share stories about your beloved with children. Contribute to a charity or attend an event in honor of your special person. Bake or cook those special recipes. Listen to their

As you search to find meaning in loss and adjust to changes in your life, you may start to make some sense of what has happened. You may find a bridge that connects the past with the future in a way you can accept. Take the first step anytime. You don't have to wait until December 31 to begin to heal.

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Bob's Corner



by Bob Payne

What do you bring into the world?

In an age of frustrated instant gratification where you can immediately post your discontented and demeaning thoughts online for the world to see, and at a time when people are so easily offended by anything that does not go along with their way of thinking, there is anger in America

All too often we see this anger being inappropriately expressed through violence. From road rage, to physical assaults, to shootings, viciousness is becoming the way some people choose to handle their difficulties and frustra-

Today, the news carried another story of violence. Because it happens somewhere else, or to somebody else, we are able to simply observe it and go about our life as usual. Though we may think that it is awful, it doesn't really seem to impact us. We are rarely affected, and not especially offended. It has become so commonplace that we are becoming numb to it.

But, make no mistake about it - violence breeds violence. Hatred, bitterness and division will always follow in its wake. It is a cycle that keeps repeating as more and more people become involved. But, it is a cycle that you can do something about because, at the core, the real enemy is something very personal. It is any thought or belief that devalues, disrespects and discards the importance of another life. It is seeing someone as less than a living, breathing, feeling human being, and believing that they, specifically, are the cause of your own problems. It's making someone into a villain with no redeeming qualities. This thinking leads to division and promotes a Me against You, or Us vs Them, mentality. In the end, it creates continuing problems and solves absolutely nothing. As Martin Luther King Jr. said, "Ultimately, destructive means cannot bring about constructive ends.'

Want the madness to stop? Be accountable for your own thinking, your beliefs, your words and your actions. Take ownership for your behavior with mindful choices. If you have been the victim of violence, do not let the pain turn you into someone you are not. Don't perpetuate the cycle. While violence sows seeds of anger and division, peacefulness sows seeds of kindness and mutual understanding. As Gandhi said, "Be the change you want to see in the world."

Bob Payne, Manager

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Euclid Senior Center

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



Breakfast with Bob



Breakfast with Bob will be on Thursday, December 14th, 8:30 AM at Adam's Place. You must have your OWN transportation



BINGO

Tuesday, December 5th, 1:00 -2:00PM Speed Bingo, all Fill-ups for Prizes. Sponsored by Manor Care. FREE Thursday, December 14th, 1:00-2:00PM Bingo sponsored by Slovene Home.

Breakfast with Grande Pointe

Wednesday, December 13th, 9:30AM Join us for muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, coffee and tea. Please sign-up at the front desk by December 11th.



BIRTHDAY DAY Wednesday, December 20th Cupcakes sponsored by Capital.

Thursday, December 21st -10:30AM Join us in the Library for Fun For Foodies. All participants please bring your favorite dish. Sign-up at the front desk.

It's a Christmas Party!

Friday, December 22nd, 10:45AM Cupcakes will be sponsored by Gateway/ Braeview. Possible surprise guest. Are you naughty or nice?

Game Day

Thursday, December 28th, 1:00PM Fun and games and snacks provided by Gateway. So please stay and play.

TRIPS:



Grande Pointe Fun Bingo

Tuesday, December 19th Leave the Senior Center at 1:15PM returning around 3:00PM. FREE Register at the front desk.

Brookdale

Thursday, December 7th, 1:30PM Games as well as a talk on Fall Prevention. Leave the Center at 1:15. Return at 3:00PM. Register at the front desk.

SPEAKERS

Grande Pointe

Wednesday, December 6th,11:00AM. Grande Pointe will be here to share on how to have a Healthy Holiday.

Kemper House

Friday, December 8th, 11:00AM Leading a heart healthy lifestyle.

Senior Veterans Administration Monday, December 11th, 11:00AM Aid and assistance for veterans and their surviving spouses.

Hillside Plaza

Thursday, December 14th, 11:00AM What to expect from a Skilled Nursing Facility.

Community Police Talk

Thursday, December 14th "Cop -a- Question" - Immediately after lunch. Members from our Police Department update us monthly and answer all

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.

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Grief Support Group

Thursday, December 14th, 12:45 PM The 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. Provided by Euclid Senior Programs & Hospice of the Western

Enhanced

Monday, December 18th, 11:00AM Enhanced will be on site to help us to understand "What to expect in while we are in the hospital".

SERVICES



Lisa Lee's Reflexology

Friday, December 1st and Friday, December 15th, 10AM - 12:00PM Reflexology techniques are relaxing to the mind and

Along with the sounds of artistic music and aroma to soothe your soul, reflexology allows you to escape into the healing mode to help ground and nourish you. 10 minutes for \$10.00 Sign-up at the front



Tuesday, December 10:00AM - 1:30PM Have a question for an attorney regard-

ing 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.

FREE FRESH PRODUCE

Euclid Senior Programs

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



Podiatry Wednesday, December 13th & 27th, 9:20 to 11:00

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Monday

10:00 Coffee and chat with friends 10:30 Yoga/Meditation 11:30 Lunch 12:30 Line Dancing 1:00 Cards, puzzles,

Tuesday 10:00 Coffee and chat

with friends 10:30 SilverSneakers exercise

11:30 Lunch

1:00 Knitting group

10:00 Coffee and chat

with friends 10:30 Various Activities

12:30 Bingo

Wednesday

11:30 Lunch

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12:00 Bible study

1:00 Computer lab open Movie afternoon

Thursday 10:00 Coffee and chat with friends 10:30 SilverSneakers exercise 11:30 Lunch

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up at the front desk for an appointment. Fee - \$20.00, with current membership.

Euclid High School Choir

Friday, December 15th, 10:30AM

BENEFITS CHECK-UP

Monday, December 18th 9:00AM - 1:00PM 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. FREE Call 216-289-2985 or sign up at the front desk.

HEALTH AND FITNESS

Chair Yoga-Monday at 10:00 AM AC \$ 3.00 per class. No Class on December 25th.

Yoga – Thursday at 9:00 AM Annex Room \$ 3.00 per class.

Tai-Chi – Tuesday at 3:30 PM Six week series - \$24, Drop-ins \$6.00 per class. No Tai Chi Class on December 26th.

Billie Exercise Class – (Chair) Tuesday & Thursday 10:00AM in the Computer Room

Line Dance – Thursday, 1:00PM Ballroom Dancing - Monday & Wednes-

day, 1:00PM

Free Blood Pressure Checks Thursday, 10:00-11:00AM 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 - Wednesday, 11:00AM DRA

Silver Sneakers Class -Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:00 - 10:50AM - Dining Room Annex Free with Silver Sneakers membership. No Silver S. on Monday, December 25th.

FUN AND GAMES

BEADING CLASS:

1st Monday of the Month.- 10:30AM. to Noon. FREE to members

Quilting Class - 2nd & 3rd Thursday, -12:30PM-2:30PM

Pinochle Tournament- Friday – 1:00PM. Computer Room.

Open Card Play-Wednesday at 1:00 PM. Card games, Pinochle, Bridge & Rummy.

Bingo - Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:45PM – Dining Room. No Bingo on December 25th

Pool Tournament – Friday, December 15th, 9:20AM November winner -Bob

Crochet- Tuesday, 10:00AM AC No Class on December 26th.

Adult Coloring – Tuesday, 1:00PM, AC No Class on December 26th

EDUCATION -SOCIALIZATION

Bible Study - The group meets Tuesday, 10:00AM- Library. No Bible Study on December 26th.

Arts & Crafts - Wednesday, 10:00AM -

Sewing - Thursday, 10:00AM, AC

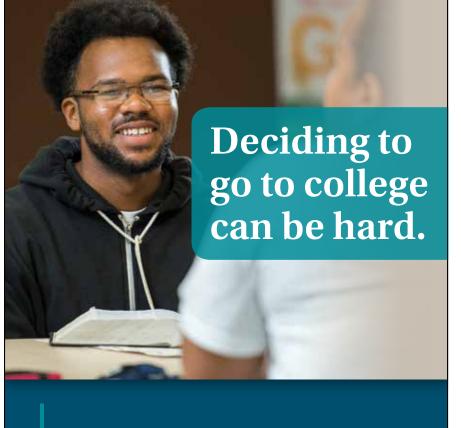
Art with Jack - Tuesday, 12:45PM No Class on December 26th.

AARP Meeting Monday, December 4th, 1:00PM

Book Discussion Monday, January 8th 1:15PMin the Senior Center Library. Jennifer, from the Euclid Public Library, will lead the discussion on the book,

"Vintage" by Susan Gloss. **Nutritional Programs**

Euclid Senior Center offers a lunch program Monday through Friday at Noon. We serve a nutritious meal that supplies 1/3 of your daily nutrition requirements. Our menus are written by a licensed dietitian to ensure you receive a healthy lunch. The suggested donation is only \$1.00. Reservations are to be made Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, BY NOON for the following week. When reserving, please be conscientious and look ahead to make sure you reserve lunch for the days you know you will be here. We now have to report the number of no-shows and seconds. Please help us to lessen the no shows/seconds. You can help to make a difference. Thank you!



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needed during this holiday season! You can sell your crafts, catalog items, or gently used items by renting a table for a donation of only \$5 for the day! Call Tammy at 216-538-0489 or respond to this email to reserve your table.

homework and talk about the day. Imagine

(Note---No sale of alcohol, tobacco, or controlled substances during this event). God's love, light, and blessings to you this

holiday season!!! Memorial Spiritual Church 19204 Pawnee Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44119 216-538-0489

Let's Sit for Kids



Sherrie Zagorc's "Sit - Please and Thank You" Chair and Carole Mozeleski's "Giraffe" Chair for Kiddie Citv's "I Sit for Kids" Chair a T Auction.

by Sherrie Zagoro

We've been asked to stand for a variety of causes in the past several years. In 2018 I propose that we SIT for our children. Adult lives are so busy - running from place to

in our lives has literally taken a back seat to our daily schedules. Consider sitting with children - face to face - in close proximity - to eat a meal, play a game, help with

place - that sitting down with the children

and dads, grandparents, friends and mentors – this act can work wonders. By sitting down and concentrating on the child before you, you are validating that child and mentoring behaviors that will go a long way to teach important life skills that can last a lifetime.

At Kiddie City Child Care Community, we are working to create a Parents' Center dedicated to the teaching and promoting of good parenting practices in our center families and in our community. To introduce this initiative, I am asking adults to make a commitment to "Sit for Kids" and to help both causes – the Parenting Center and a reminder to adults - I am creating a Kiddie City Chair a T Auction on the "Bidding for Good" website beginning in January. I'm gathering "lonely" wooden chairs, painting them black, and asking community members to contribute their flair and creativity to decorate the chairs that will

be auctioned. We will auction one chair how this simple, inexpensive habit of sit- a month with the highest bidder receiving ting down with a child could improve our their chair to be placed in the kitchen, famvaluable adult/child relationships! Moms ily room or wherever a reminder is needed for adults to SIT with the children in the household. A t-shirt with the "I Sit for Kids" reminder will be given to the artist and the buyer. Kiddie City will receive the proceeds from the sale to create and maintain the Parenting Center.

> If you would like to join me in "Sitting with Kids" here are some ways that you can help. Do you have a wooden chair that you donate for use in the auction or would you like to paint a chair to be auctioned off? Email me at kiddiecityeuclid@att.net or call me at 216-798-7089. Do you need a beautiful wooden chair to remind you to sit with the children you love? Check out the Kiddie City Chair a T Auction site and bid on a one of a kind creation. In the new year, let's take a stand for the children in our lives by embracing the motto "I Sit for



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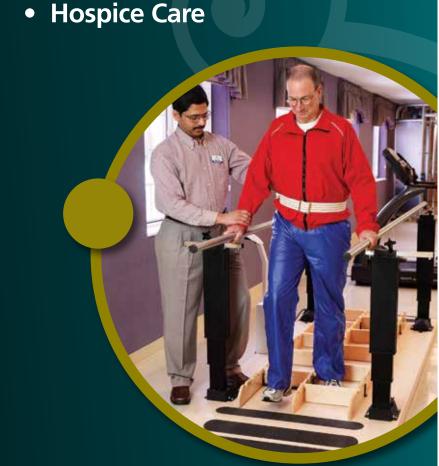
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