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We Made It!



by Cindy Barber, Northeast Shores Vice President

We made it! On Friday, Dec 29 at 5 PM the Wagner Sign truck pulled away from the LaSalle Theater with the updated electronic marquee in place. Thanks to the

City of Cleveland Department of Building and Housing, Councilman Mike Polensek, General Contractor TownCenter Construction, Monarch Private Capital and the folks at Cleveland Neighborhood Progress for working together with Northeast Shores

Executive Director Camille Maxwell to meet our end-of-the-year deadline to get construction completed and approved on the restoration project. We will now start planning for an opening gala in the spring. And thanks for Northeast Shores board

member Robert Gatewood at Full Spectrum: GamerHaven across the street from the LaSalle for monitoring this milestone in pictures.

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year: Crafting with Cops Recap



Crafting with Cops youth Group Photo

Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation
Christmas crafts brought Christmas cheer. Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Devel-

opment Corp in partnership with St. Clair Superior Development Corp hosted Crafting with Cops on Wednesday December 13, 2017 at Five Pointe Community Cen-

ter. Participants included local residents, youth, teens and officers from Cleveland Police 5th District. We had a diverse group of participants of all ages; everyone was a part of making beautiful Christmas decorations and gifts.

Crafting with Cops was our neighborhood Christmas party. The crafts were separated into stations throughout the room. We had an ornament station, home décor station, and Christmas gift station. Participants made ornaments, Christmas stockings, keepsake boxes, jewelry and decorated wine glasses. The most popular station was the adult table as adults could decorate their own wine glasses with acrylic paint. The ladies at that table were very talented and created some nice glasses.

Also Santa was invited and he showed up to Crafting with Cops filled with Christmas joy and spirit. The youth participants were happy to see him and made sure they

told Santa what they wanted for Christmas. Youth participants also had the chance to write letters to Santa and take a free picture with him.

"This type of community engagement is fun and helps our local police officers build relationships with the residents and community stakeholders." "Creating gifts and Christmas decorations, definitely put me in the Christmas spirit!" says Kristian Hunter, Organizer of Kicking it with Cops/AmeriCorps VISTA.

Crafting with Cops was a great way to end the first of many series to come of "Kicking it with Cops" in Collinwood. Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corp in partnership with St. Clair Superior Development Corp would like to thank all of the participants and supporters of these fun community engagement events.

How GamerHaven came to East 185th Street

by Robert L. Gatewood, Funder & Creative Director, Master Collective

It's been a whirlwind of a year. If anything has become clear to me in 2017, it's that investing in your community is always, always worth it.

In January, I decided to take my graphic design and creative skills on my own. After freelancing alone for a few months, I knew I didn't want to do it by myself anymore; the talented people in my life all seemed to have a common string that was just out of reach that could tie us and our opportunities together. I was more drawn to figuring out how to pull that string toward us than to do great work alone.

Master Collective, the company I'm building every day, is based on two ideas: that creativity is best exercised among a group of people, and that a constant will-

ingness to improve would benefit my teammates, clients, and community. These ideas never left me, so with 2017 feeling like a year that people in my life are taking their shots on lifelong dreams...it was time for me to as well.

Coinciding with these life choices around my work, my wife and I made a decision to invest further in our city and family by looking to purchase our first home. Why do one big life-altering thing when you can do two, right?

The top of my list, as always, was Collinwood. Finding a house in Cleveland's city limits that fit all our wants was relatively easy, because our city is very well positioned with a lot of good houses in a variety of neighborhoods. What I didn't expect, at all, was that there would be a house so well situated between the two business districts

of North Collinwood, a stone's throw from I-90, and that met our requirements for features. Over the course of the summer, we did all the steps necessary to find, and purchase a home. In my home neighborhood. From my CDC, Northeast Shores. Even with the bumps in the road, looking back at the process it is remarkably storybook in how it came to pass.

Speaking of Northeast Shores, I was elected to the Board of Directors in January also. My thinking was, I wanted to have a more direct voice in how decisions were made to position Collinwood better for the future. The voices in the room after the large-scale changes that happened between January and today have been the right ones, at least as far as I can tell. There is a lot of transition, and the beauty of these

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Councilman's Corner



by Michael D. Polensek

On behalf of my family and my office I hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and a joyous Kwanzaa.

The history and traditions of our community run very deep this time of year. I wish to thank all of the neighborhood institutions and organizations who have been so vital to our community this past year.

We all know that Christmas and early in the new year are giving times of the year and I hope you remember all the non-profits in the Ward 8 community from our places of worship, to the Salvation Army Temple Corps, the FoodBank, the Collinwood Food Pantry, and the Collinwood Ministries who daily help the less fortunate and needy of our community. My sincere appreciation for all they do for the community in providing food, clothing, family services, recreation or just a place of comfort or companionship. I urge all residents to continue to support their work through monetary donations or by volunteering.

To say the least, 2017 was a very challenging year. We saw progress in many areas and yet, we were constantly confronted with an increase in violent crime, in our community and city-wide. As I write this article the city has already experienced 128 homicides for the year. That doesn't take into consideration the felonious assaults (crimes committed with a weapon), burglaries, robberies, car thefts, break-ins, etc. It is extremely troubling to realize that Cleveland now has the distinction of having a higher per capita, based on population, homicide rate than Chicago or New York. Law enforcement officials will tell you that the two greatest deterrents to any criminal activity in the city is an engaged citizenry, where residents and businesses look out for one another and willingly report incidents of criminal activity, and police patrolling the streets.

In Ward 8, I would tell you that, for the most part, we have an engaged citizenry. I know that for I see the police brevity reports and hear daily from residents who contact my office to let me know what is going on around them or on their street. Could we have more engagement? Of course, that is something we can all continue to work on. However, what has become most critical, not only in our own community but city-wide, is the lack of basic police patrols and visibility.

The Cleveland Police Department is at a critically low-level of sworn police officers. We are down over 450 from what we once were just fifteen years ago. Yet, as we all know, violent crime has not diminished and we all see growing numbers of "gun packing thugs" terrorizing and victimizing our citizens and local businesses alike.

We were promised in 2016, with the passage of Issue 32, the 25% increase in the city's income tax, that there would be a significant ramp up in the Division of Police, i.e. more police on the streets. The City

raised \$93 million with the new tax and yet, only set forth in the 2017 budget the additional hiring of 65 basic patrol officers. Mind you, that number has already been exceeded by the number of officers who have left the department this year due to attrition. You don't have to be a mathematician to understand that the Administration and Command Staff totally miscalculated the number of officers they would need in 2017 and beyond, and how many would be retiring this past year.

If the citizens know that there is a lack of police presence in our communities and neighborhoods – then so do the criminals and potential law breakers. That's why I have asked Mayor Jackson to recognize and to understand that we are in a state of emergency in the city with regard to violent criminal activity. I asked him in a letter dated December 20, to ask the Governor and the State Attorney General for help with the assigning of officers from the Ohio State Highway Patrol to augment and need of the Cleveland Police Department so that we could collectively place more offices on the street until future police hiring classes are brought on board. As of this writing, I have yet to receive a reply from the Administration.

If officials at City Hall think that this problem is going to go away on its own – I have news for them. It is not going to go away unless we do something drastic. We need more law enforcement officials on our streets NOW – not six months from now or at the end of 2018. Residents are alarmed city-wide and more and more over-the-counter retail businesses are operating behind two inches of clear Plexiglas in fear of the criminal element coming into their stores with guns drawn. How tragic.

With all the national news recognizing Cleveland and its neighborhoods as a comeback city - how are we to maintain that status with this growing violent crime problem. The answer is clear – we will not. It is a given that residents and businesses will talk with their feet and will disinvest in the city as they become more and more discouraged or fearful. We are paying more for income tax in the City of Cleveland and overall taxes in Cuyahoga County – than ever before. We deserve basic services and police protection. I urge you all to let your voices be heard. It cannot be business as usual. Time is of the essence.

I look forward to working with all of you in 2018 to build upon our successes but also to join together to address the challenges and problems that lie ahead.

Stay warm and be careful of the ice. May you and yours have a happy, safe and prosperous New Year. Feel free to contact me. I may be reached at my office at (216) 664-

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

COLLINWOOD HOMEOWNERS MEETING
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15519 Holmes Avenue

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5:30 PM
Salvation Army Temple Corp
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EAST 185th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
2nd Tuesday of the Month
6:00 PM
Lithuanian Hall
877 East 185th Street – next to Post Office

DEMOCRATIC WARD CLUB
2nd Wednesday of the Month
(September to June)
6:30 PM
Collinwood Slovenian Home
15810 Holmes Avenue
PRESIDENT: Councilman Polensek

FRIENDS OF COLLINWOOD RECREATION
2nd Thursday of the Month
6:15 PM
Collinwood Recreation Center
16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

5th DISTRICT COMMUNITY RELATIONS MEETING
3rd Wednesday of the month
6:00 PM
Collinwood Five Points Community Center
East 152 Street except for:
May (Murtis Taylor),
July (St Clair Superior Dev Corp),
October (Cleveland Job Corps Annual Dinner),
November (Glenville Rec Ctr.)

EAST 156th STREET NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
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Collinwood Recreation Center
16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

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(March to November)
6:00 PM
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Any questions about these meetings please feel free to call
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by Gina M. Tabasso

How did Keene Building Products get its start?

Keene was started in 2002 as an importer but quickly began development of its production line. Although educated as an accountant, Jim Keene, the founder, became involved in the engineering of the system to produce the materials -- a unique plastic extrusion process. Sales were simple since he was involved with many of the customers in the market.



Keene Building Products, Euclid, Ohio, expansion



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Jim Keene, founder of Keene Building Products

Why was the decision made to locate in Euclid?

Jim's home town is Richmond Heights, up the hill, but his father and mother went to Euclid High School. Euclid is a great place to manufacture, and Jim wanted to be a manufacturer.

How are the products that you manufacture used?

Keene Building Products is a manufacturer of three-dimensional filament products for the construction industry. Its noise products are designed for construction projects, such as multi-family apartments and condominiums to stop impact and airborne noise, while its building-envelope products can be utilized in wall, masonry, roofing, and foundation applications to eliminate moisture issues.

Starting as a plastic manufacturing company in 2002, Keene has innovated new construction tools in an effort to improve product performance for the market. At first, it only manufactured entangled net products in applications that had coatings

and concrete all around them. Today, its capabilities include blending powders and creating chemicals. In addition to plastics extrusion, the company has expanded its expertise to floor-preparation products, below-grade systems, roofing, plastic fabricating and 3D filament.

How many employees work in the facility in Euclid?

30 employees but it will be increasing to 50 in the near future.

Tell us about your building expansion. How many square feet and why?

25,000 square feet for warehouse purposes that will allow us more room for manufacturing.

Are there ways that the company participates in the community?

Not yet!! We will soon.

What do you think is the biggest challenge that manufacturing currently faces?

Skilled labor

What does the future of manufacturing, especially in Northeast Ohio, look like?

The future is very bright here but we need to educate our young people better. Our schools are not up to par, and our workforce doesn't graduate ready for the positions we need to fill.

What inspires you?

Helping the people in our organization realize their career and financial goals.

Are there any interesting facts about Keene Building that most people don't know?

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Holiday Party Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries



Kids visit with Santa

by Sr. Madeline Muller

If you noticed an unusual number of cars parked on the corner of St. Clair and Royal or a steady stream of wide-eyed children and smiling adults entering and exiting the Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries house on Sunday December 3rd you were not imagining this scene. Santa made his annual visit to the Collinwood Neighborhood Catholic Ministries Holiday Party to hand out gifts and coats to excited chil-

dren. He could not have furnished gifts and coats without the help of the police and fire departments' Toys for Tots and Operation Warm programs.

While the children and their parents were waiting to visit Santa they munched on sandwiches, chips and cookies. The Refreshments were purchased with a grant from the Jennifer Fund. After the children saw Santa, they took their pictures to the basement where they decorated frames to

hold their memento of their visit while the adults socialized around the Christmas tree.

Two families from Gesu Parish in University Heights spent Saturday morning trimming the Christmas tree and "decking the halls" with various holiday paraphernalia. As each person left the party they received a Humphry popcorn ball and a book from the Little Free Library.

Local Family Spends Every Christmas Morning with Hospice Patients



by Laurie Henrichsen

Santa can't be everywhere. So sometimes he has some very special people filling in for him. Members of the Jindra family have taken turns donning a Santa suit and gathering up a dedicated group of "elves" to spread holiday cheer at medical centers in Cleveland every Christmas morning for the past 54 years, including the last 14 years at David Simpson Hospice House. They are carrying on a century-old family tradition started by his great-grandfather in 1916.

This year marked the 101st anniversary of the family's Christmas morning tradition of giving back to others. It all began when multiple generations of the family began visiting patients at the former St. Alexis Hospital in Cleveland. When St. Alexis closed its doors, they "relocated" and began coming to David Simpson Hospice House, one of Hospice of the Western Reserve's three inpatient care units. They have visited the hospice house on the shores of

Lake Erie faithfully every Christmas morning for the past 14 years.

This year, the Jindra brothers were there once again bright and early. This year, it was Ed's turn to be St. Nick while his brother Bill played the part of one of the elves. They and their dedicated group of volunteers - neighbors and friends of the family - made their rounds delivering flowers, candy canes, popcorn balls, fruit and fresh carnations to help brighten the day for hospice residents and visiting family members.

Even though the Jindra brothers are never at home Christmas morning to open gifts with their own families, they insist on keeping the tradition alive. They have discovered the true meaning of Christmas; that the real gift is in the giving. "We both love being here on Christmas morning," Bill says with a twinkle in his eye. "We can't imagine staying home and opening socks and underwear."

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by Scott Mills

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Fat Cats Treats Hospice Families to a December Meal to Remember



by Laurie Henrichsen

The sun setting over Lake Erie provided the perfect backdrop to a memorable December Meal to Remember at David Simpson Hospice House. For the fourth consecutive year, Fat Cats, the popular eclectic eatery in Tremont, donated, prepared and served residents, their families and caregivers a meal featuring some of the most requested signature dishes from their menu.

The Tremont restaurant has been described by one food writer as a "Modern American Melting Pot" with a menu that draws from a variety of influences, including Asian, European and North and South American cuisines.

Fat Cats provided a meal that served more than 100 patients, families and staff. Guests dined on Chicken Augusto, baked eggplant lasagna, scalloped potatoes, roasted vegetables, mixed spring green salads with house-made balsamic dressing, rolls from Cleveland's On the Rise bakery and apple cobbler. Some couldn't resist second helpings!

"We are grateful to Chef Sandoval and the Fat Cats culinary team for their incredible generosity," said Bill Finn, president and chief executive officer, Hospice of the Western Reserve. "There is no greater gift than more time with loved ones, especially around the holidays. The simple act of gathering around the dinner table is an experience many of our families have not had for months so it is deeply appreciated."

The Atrium was filled to capacity with guests seated at poinsettia-decorated tables courtesy of volunteer Pat Korchek. As they dined, families were treated to piano



medleys performed by hospice volunteer Nicky Bucur and accompanied by vocalist Michelle Dean. Families photos were taken by volunteer photographer Terry Krause to provide special keepsake mementoes.

In addition to providing photography, centerpieces and live musical entertainment, Hospice of the Western Reserve volunteers also assisted with setting up for the event and helping the culinary teams with serving and cleanup afterwards.

Assisting at the Fat Cats Meal to Remember were volunteers Pat Korchek, Colleen Brady, Doris Lantz, Dale Greenbaum, Marilyn Walsh, Andy and Judy Carran, Roy Page, Eileen Groh, Cynthia Hairston, Brenda Evans, Gordon Yonel, Jennifer Grano, John Martinich, Cindy Gagnon and Bridget Assing-Marok.

"We are so appreciative of the support contributed by our dedicated volunteers month after month to make these dinners a success," said volunteer service manager Lori Scotese. "We could not host these monthly meals without them."

About Meal to Remember

Once each month, Meal to Remember brings a different Cleveland restaurant to David Simpson Hospice House so residents and their families can enjoy a restaurant dining experience together, complete with fine china and linens, wine and live musical entertainment. All food, time and talent are donated by the restaurant. Thanks to the efforts of volunteer Bridget Assing-Marok, the dinners are always accompanied by a selection of fine wines donated by Scoperta Importing, Inc.

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Collinwood Accordionist Kathy Hlad Inducted into Polka Hall of Fame



Collinwood entertainer Kathy Hlad performed after she was inducted into the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame, Saturday, November 25, at the Downtown Cleveland Marriott Hotel.



Accordionists Joshua Kay, 16, and Eddie Rodick performed "Slovenian Home Polka" at the 30th Polka Music Awards Show, presented by the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame, Saturday, November 25, at the Downtown Cleveland Marriott Hotel.



Patty Candela's ensemble, Patty C and the Guys, won Button Box Band of the Year at the 30th Polka Music Awards Show, presented by the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame, Saturday, November 25, at the Downtown Cleveland Marriott Hotel.

by Joe Valencic

Kathy Hlad, the Collinwood accordionist and instructor, was one of three musicians to be inducted into the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame at a gala stage show at the 30th annual Polka Music Awards Show. She was joined on stage at the Cleveland Downtown Marriott Hotel Ballroom with two other lifetime inductees, bandleaders Stan Blout and Frank Stanger, on Saturday, November 25, 2017.

Six polka performers scored their first wins at the Awards Show: Klancnik & Friends (MI) as Band of the Year; Wisconsin bandleader Mike Schneider for Song of the Year ("Happy Polka Day"); side musicians Eric Stehle (MI), Joe Strudel (OH) and Joe Wojtila (OH); and radio host Joe Godina (PA) for support and promotion. Klancnik accordionist Brian

O'Boyle earned his third Musician of the Year award. The Awards Show was the high point of the 54th Thanksgiving Polka Party Weekend, staged in the ballroom of the Marriott Hotel.

Other winners were from the Cleveland area: Ron Likovic for button accordionist; Patty C and the Guys for button accordion ensemble; Dave Skrajner for vocalist; the SNPJ Recreation Grounds for Culture and Heritage; and the Fred Ziwich Orchestra for Album of the Year for the band's "40th Anniversary Recording."

Five entertainers were added to the Polka Hall of Fame Trustees Honor Roll: bandleaders Mikey Dee (PA), Bob Doszak (IL), Harry Faint (AZ) and Linda Hochevar (OH), and Ray Somich, president of Cleveland radio station WINT.

The show theme, "Take a Polka Road Trip," featured performers from around the U. S. and Canada, including Barefoot Becky from Iowa, Minnesota's Singing Slovenes and Canada's Polka King Walter Ostanek. For the 30th anniversary awards show, seventeen lifetime achievers from the Polka Hall of Fame appeared, including 2017 inductees Stan Blout (CA), Kathy Hlad (OH) and Frank Stanger (OH).

The eight-piece Awards Show stage orchestra was led by Tom Mrocza with orchestrations by 23-year-old musician Aaron Dussing. The show was directed by Ray Somich and Denny Bucar and produced and written by Joe Valencic, President of the Polka Hall of Fame. The Tony Petkovsek Awards was presented by the founder of the Thanksgiving Polka Weekend to Jan Horvath and Vice President Mark Habat, chairman of the three-day event. Each guest received a 64-page souvenir program book.

The Thanksgiving Polka Weekend brought

22 polka bands and five busloads of fans from the U.S. and Canada to Cleveland, Ohio, for the three-day music festival. Nearly 700 room-nights were booked at the Marriott. Forty-eight musicians appeared on the main stage in the traditional jam session on Friday evening. The Polka Mass was celebrated by Fr. Frank Perkovich of Minnesota. Jam sessions extended into the night.

"If you love to dance, this is the place to be," said Chantal Brutovsky of Binghamton, New York. "That's why my husband and I come every year."

For information and photos on the 2017 Thanksgiving Polka Party Weekend and Awards Show, check www.polkaofame.com or the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame page on Facebook. DVD recordings of the 2017 Awards Show can be ordered from the Polka Hall of Fame at (216) 261-FAME. The museum is at 605 East 222nd Street in Euclid, Ohio, and is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 11 to 4. ##

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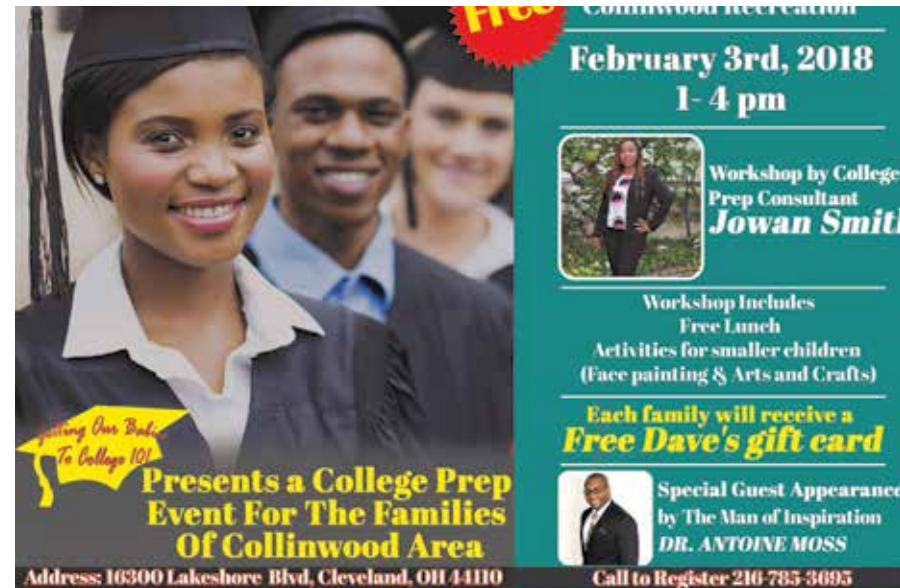
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Let's Get Our Babies To College “Free” workshop with College Prep Consultant



by Jowan Smith

Jowan Smith a mom in the Collinwood area worked hard over the last several years to get her daughter to college. There were not alot of resources available at the time she started which was in middle school. She decided to attack the issue herself by learning all she could to get her daughter to college. She ultimately got her daughter to college and helped many other families at the same time. This full time hobby became an actual business earlier this year. Jowan started, Getting Our Babies To College 101 which is a consulting firm that helps parents with the college prep process starting in middle school with interactive workshops. Her work has helped numerous families over the last year get to college and find lots of scholarship money. Even though her work is set up to start families early she

works in the school districts with all grades including those who are in their last year of high school. Jowan has been featured in Today's Family Magazine, WZAK Access Cleveland, WGBH Ed Forum, & Ideastream. She will be hosting a free community event for families in the Collinwood area. February 3, 2018 1:00-4:00pm at Collinwood Recreation Center. This event will be a college prep workshop with her, lunch, arts and crafts for younger children, and a special guest appearance by The Man of Inspiration, Dr. Antoine Moss. Each family will get a free Dave's card at the end of event. Come out enjoy some food, music, and education. You must pre-register at gobtc101@yahoo.com or 216-785-3695. Let's get our babies to college, its more than a business its a movement.

Make a Difference: “Big Clean” Looks for Volunteers in 2018



Help plan the “Big Clean” during the ‘Keep Euclid Beautiful’ meeting on Wednesday, January 17th, 2018 at 6pm at Euclid City Hall (585 East 222nd Street).

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

The snow has fallen, trapping wrappers, bottles and other litter until the spring melt when the trash reappears along city streets. It is not a pretty visual, but you can help make a difference in the appearance of a cleaner, more beautiful Collinwood.

Save-the-date for the second annual Euclid v. Collinwood “Big Clean” Great American Cleanup on Saturday, April 21st, 2018. The date is a few weeks earlier than last year and coordinates with the date of

Cuyahoga County's countywide cleanup with the Litterbugz as well as the weekend recognizing Earth Day.

Want to help plan the “Big Clean”? The first meeting of the new year will take place during the ‘Keep Euclid Beautiful’ meeting on Wednesday, January 17th, 2018 at 6pm at Euclid City Hall (585 East 222nd Street).

For more information or questions on how to get involved, contact Stephen Love at stephen.love20@gmail.com .

Neighborhood Sponsors pull together to help Young Leaders feed 100 people for Christmas!!



by Breanna Sweeney

On Dec 21,2017 the Young Leaders sponsors Smolic Tire,Sievers Security,Ocho Rios & Bari Beauty & Health came together to help supply food for the Young Leaders Christmas Dinner for 100 people. There was a total of 25 volunteers at the event helping to serve Turkey,Stuffing,Dressin g,Macaroni& Cheese,Green beans,Sweet potatoes,Apple and Cherry pie. The event was held at North point transitional living . This event was a success the volunteers

felt it was a humbling experience and the residents enjoyed their meal. Other people and businesses who helped this come about isR&d Appliances,New Beginnings Day-care ,Paninis bar & Grille,ChilliPeppers Fresh Mexican Grill, Brick Ceramic & design studio,Pendeltons barbershop and council woman Taneika Hill of Euclid Young Leaders would like to thank all the participants for helping to provide a good christmas to the community.

Annual Meeting

The Slovenian Society Home Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday February 11, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
The Slovenian Home is located at 20713 Recher Ave in Euclid, Ohio.

Join us! Northeast Shores Annual Meeting Tuesday, January 16th, 2018

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

All residents are invited to attend the Northeast Shores' (NSDC) Annual Meeting on Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 at 6pm at the Collinwood Recreation Center on Lakeshore Blvd. The meeting is free to attend, but attendees are encouraged to become members of NSDC, which starts at \$10 for a year membership as a Collinwood resident.

Executive Director Camille Maxwell will review the organization's progress in 2017 and provide a forecast of the programs and projects to come in 2018. Councilman Michael Polensek will also provide an update for Ward 8. In addition, the following candidates will be running for open seats on the Board of Directors: Steven Aviram, Scott Mills, Max Sollisch, Daniel Subwick, Christian Swol and Eric Turk.

Calls for nominations were solicited

in October 2017. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, but missed the deadline for elections, there are opportunities for Board appointments throughout the year. Please contact Board Governance Chair Allison Lukacsy-Love at alukacsy@gmail.com for more information on Board appointments.

Any member of Northeast Shores in good standing may vote in the Board of Directors elections. What does good standing mean? It means you have paid your 2018 NSDC dues before OR on the night of January 16th, 2018. Checks and cash will be accepted at the Collinwood Recreation Center.

Questions about Northeast Shores and the Annual Meeting? Contact Carly Lovely at CMarginian@northeastshores.org

Hope to see you there!

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smiling people are now captured in a beautiful Christmas Album that we'll treasure and enjoy sharing with all our parishioners. Thank you to all the "photographers" who helped us create this Christmas keepsake! To view Our Lady of the Lake's Christmas Album, visit www.olleuclid.org.

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Each year, Our Lady of the Lake School kicks off Catholic Schools Week with an Open House, which offers an opportunity to welcome everyone in the community to come by and say hello. If you're wondering whether Catholic school might be the right choice for your child, this is your chance to come and have a look. You'll find a warm welcome, a dedicated team of teachers eager to answer any questions, and a group

of student ambassadors who would love to show off their school. You'll also have a chance to visit the first-class gym, computer lab, preschool program and more. If you would like more information about enrollment, open house, or scheduling a tour, please contact Rita Kingsbury, Principal, at rkingsbury@olleuclid.org, or call the school office at (216) 481-6824. Our Lady of the Lake School Open House January 28 - 11:00-1:00 175 E. 200th St www.ourladyofthelakeschooleuclid.org

Life on the Lake Supports OLL School

Celebrating 90 Years of Catholic Education

Each year, Our Lady of the Lake School hosts a fantastic fundraiser that helps support technology and enrichment programs for all of its students. Over the years, this event has helped pay for iPads and Chromebooks for every student, smartboards in every classroom, a state of the art computer lab, distance learning technology and much more. Last year's event raised nearly \$32,000. This year's event celebrates 90 Years of Catholic Education with a Dancing Through the Decades theme. Treats in

store for party-goers include dinner, drinks, dancing, and raffles, with an incredible array of prizes, from sporting gear to nights out, jewelry, technology and even a trolley tour! It's an event you won't want to miss. Tickets and sponsorship information are available at www.ourladyofthelakeschooleuclid.org. Life on the Lake February 3, 2018 - 5:30-midnight www.ourladyofthelakeschooleuclid.org (216) 481-6824

Academic Brain Brawl Team Makes it to Nationals!



From left to right, seventh graders Josie Carpenter-Lewis, Rebecca Young, Mason Adrine, Liam Delaney, and Chris Staggs, after competing at Lorain High School this past fall.

by Anne Hribar

Congratulations to Our Lady of the Lake students for participating in an Ohio Academic Challenge tournament in Lorain this past fall as well as one in Painesville this December placing several students to compete in the National tournament! Seventh graders Josie Carpenter-Lewis, Liam Delaney,

Christopher Staggs, Rebecca Young, and Mason Adrine along with eighth graders Emme Trickett and Paul Paciorek! Students gave up time on select Saturdays to compete in several matches against other schools, often in nail-biting rounds, and the questions cover every academic topic you can imagine. Great work!



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"Take Me to the King"



Javon and A'nyla perform "Santa Claus is coming to Town" with St. Jerome Pre-Kindergarten class. Watch out, he knows when you are sleeping!



Kobeigh and Ryleigh gave an enthusiastic performance of "The Star" a song written by their music teacher, Julia Wallace.



Erin displayed her talent on the violin, soloing on "Hills nad Valleys" and performing again on "Take Me to the King."



St. Jerome Third Grade students performed "Make Your Home in Me."



Daiurna and Sabrina where among the featured singers on "Take Me to the King" accompanied by cellist Morgan Fox.

by Adele Markert

Music teacher, Julia Wallace, challenged the students to put themselves in Mary and Joseph's shoes and imagine how they must have felt and the problems they must have faced bringing Christ into the world. The students' thoughts then became the narration for a very unique and wonderful Christmas pageant. Mrs. Wallace wrote one of the songs which was performed by

the Kindergarten, First & Second grade students.

Between scenes violinist Muayad Shatin, cellist Morgan Fox, pianist Lawrence Wallace, and middle-school percussionists performed traditional carols. Scripture readings told the story from the Annunciation to the arrival of the Wise Men. Following the scripture, students read the narration they had written about how it must

have felt to "live" the story, from how much courage it must have taken for Mary to tell Joseph that she was with child, not knowing if he would believe her, to Joseph's great faith to believe the angel and take Mary as his wife and Jesus as his son. The students sang a selection of contemporary Christian and other songs and the 7th grade boys wrote and performed a Rap song about Joseph's decision.

Through it all students kept time with a variety of percussion instruments and one of our students, Erin Pierson, was featured in a violin solo. Students displayed their vocal skills as soloists, in small groups and finally as a whole school singing "Take Me to the King."

We are very proud of their talents and their hard work.

Puzzling Fun



Cherysh and Love show off two of their favorite puzzles.



Tyonna, Sophia, Camryn, and Miranda love the challenge of solving puzzles.

by Adele Markert

After-School Clubs are a big part of the fun and learning at St. Jerome School. Clubs meet weekly after school and new ones start every six to eight weeks. From sewing to math, to a Book Club, to Legos to

vocalizing, there really is something for everyone. Each teacher sponsors at least one club each year. Mrs. Byrne's Puzzle Club started just before Christmas break and is a big hit with the students in Kindergarten to third grade!

Third Graders Are Cool!

by Sarah Lyons

Every student, no matter the age, loves December for the two-week holiday break, but the Third Graders at Saint Jerome are excited about some of the other things that lead up to the break! They have been working hard all year on their Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic and we will continue doing so with some fun lessons.

This winter we have been taking on the book, Mr. Popper's Penguins by Florence Atwater and Richard Atwater. Mr. Popper paints houses in Stillwater. He lives with his family which is a wife, his daughter Janie, and his son, Bill. He dreams about faraway places, and he writes to the great Admiral Drake. The Admiral writes back and gives him a surprise- a real penguin, which he names Captain Cook. Our Third Graders are finding out what happens next in the book! When we are finished reading the book, we will also get to go see the play at Playhouse Square in Downtown Cleveland for a live performance of the story. This book is hilarious and is the perfect fit for the winter!

Not only are we spending a lot of time reading, we are also getting ready for the birth of Jesus Christ. During the month of December we will learn all about the Coming of Jesus and celebrate his special day and the days leading to his birth! We will create Advent Calendars, learn and

re-enact the play about the Christmas, and find out the true meaning of the holiday.

With learning about the Coming of Christ and Christmas, we will also hop into Social Studies to learn about the traditions in different countries for Christmas. We have also had the chance to study different traditions in other countries during the Christmas holiday. Some of the countries the students studied were Germany, Mexico, Australia, Kenya, Sweden, and England. The students loved having the opportunity to use the IPADS to research this information.

During the month of October, the students created personal narratives that told a story about an event in their life. This month, we have been beginning our explanatory writing. They have the opportunity to teach the class about how to do something by using their writing skills to compose such a piece. The Third Grade students at Saint Jerome spend a lot of time drafting, revising, and finalizing their writing pieces to perfection.

December is a COOL month and the Third Graders at Saint Jerome are going to make sure of that!

Mrs. Lyons
3rd Grade Teacher
Saint Jerome Elementary

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Families Helping Families



Watch for the tree next December!

Each year before winter break, Imagine Bella's Families Helping Families giving tree displays ornaments of items needed by Imagine Bella students. Families and staff members anonymously donate uniforms, coats, boots, and toys to help the students in our Imagine Bella community. Each item is wrapped up for families to take home on the last school day and open during the holiday season.

Imagine Bella Caring for the Community



First graders painted ornaments and sold them with proceeds going to Laura's house.

Character Education is an important part of the curriculum at Imagine Bella Academy of Excellence. Each classroom completed a service learning project to help the



Second graders made blankets for the animal shelter.

community. See some of these photos how students led decisions for how to care for others.

Friday Clubs



Students find a comfortable spot to read in the Advanced Reading Challenge (ARC) club.



Lego club fun. Let's get building!



Time to get fancy with Nail Polish club!



One piece at a time with Puzzle club!

Friday clubs are up and running. Pictures show some of the clubs in action!

Winter Art Walk



Crafts, Food, and Fun during the Winter Art Walk at Imagine Bella!

Zoo Field Trip Fun



Ms. Eucker's Kindergarten class takes a group photo in the Rainforest!

The cold weather may be here in Cleveland, but that doesn't stop our fun! Imagine Bella students in many grade levels had field trips to the Cleveland Zoo in December. Stu-



Bundled up and having fun at the Cleveland Zoo!

dents bundled up for the times they were outside and stayed warm in the Rainforest and other indoor exhibits. Check out some of these pictures of their visit to the zoo!



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VASJ Students ASPIRE to Become Nurses

by Khalid Mitcham '19

A wonderful opportunity was recently offered to five VASJ students who are looking to pursue a career in nursing and healthcare.

Last year, an email was sent out to all VASJ students who were eligible to apply for the ASPIRE Nurse Scholars Program, an enrichment program designed for high school students who are interested in pursuing a career in nursing. The student must be a junior with an average GPA of 3.0 or higher in order to be considered for this opportunity.

ASPIRE focuses on providing participants with career information and critical skill sets to help prepare them to enter into a higher education nursing school and beyond.

The program is coordinated by Daria Sheafe, a Nursing Coordinator at the Cleveland Clinic and will help answer the question of whether or not these students want to pursue a career in nursing.

"I absolutely love being in this program," says VASJ senior Schenley Blase who is one of the five VASJ students in the ASPIRE Program.

"Going into it I wasn't sure if I wanted a career in nursing but this program has assured me that I want to take that path. Thankful is definitely an understatement!"

In this 12-week program, students develop their understanding of a nursing career by focusing on themes such as strength-based assessment, relationship-based care, patient experience, and health literacy.

The ASPIRE program will truly allow students to hone their skills in the medical field and go out into the world to help those in need.

"This program will provide me with the skills that are critical for me to become a Patient Care Nursing Assistant straight out of high school," says Schenley.

"Not only that but I will be attending Tri-C on a full scholarship thanks to the sponsor of the ASPIRE program, the Howley Family Foundation."

The Howley Family Foundation, which awards academic scholarships and tuition assistance to elementary, high school, and college students, want



to make sure that students receive the best education possible, regardless of economic means.

This is the same foundation which received the VASJ Distinguished Foundation Award at the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on December 1, 2016, for their longtime financial support of VASJ students.

"This is a tremendous opportunity

for students to learn and experience the nursing profession," says VASJ guidance counselor Mr. Chris Petitti.

"It provides students with a more hands-on learning approach and allows them to apply what they learn in the program."

The Viking Village will be cheering on these students as their dreams come to fruition.

VASJ to hold annual Continue the Dream gala on Feb. 17

VASJ will be holding its annual gala on February 17 with a few exciting changes.

The event will take place at La Malfa Center in Mentor 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,

advertisement 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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WKYC's meteorologist Michael Estime.



"We Are the World" performance by Lakeshore students.



A Junior Cluster student's mother joined us as a "Mystery Reader."



Ms. Gascoigne's Primary Cluster students learned about Lugging and shared a fun LUGE song (set to YMCA!)

by Shawn Hallowell
WHERE WE'VE BEEN:
The month of December brought a flurry of activity as we closed out 2017 at Lakeshore Intergenerational School. Mrs. Rue-din's Primary Cluster class with the help of "Kids Love Musicals!" and our dear friends at Lakeshore Rose Center had their final session and reflection on their inter-generational play "The Wizard of Oz." Mr. Michael Estime, Channel 3 – WKYC's Meteorologist, came and spoke to our students about the wonderful and wild weather of Northeast Ohio. We had parents volunteer as "mystery readers" in our Primary

and Junior Cluster classrooms. "Mystery readers" share a favorite story with their child's classroom. Our last day of school in 2017 included our Winter Celebration of Learning. This year's theme was the Winter Olympics. Each classroom learned about and performed a Winter Sport (everything from Lugging to Snowboarding!). As we strive to be spirited citizens within the community, our school community collected 75 pounds of food items during our Celebration of Learning which have been donated to the Cleveland Food Bank. The Winter Celebration of Learning ended with a rousing performance of "We Are the



Opening Ceremony of the Winter Celebration of Learning, lighting of the Olympic torch.



Ms. Evert's Junior Cluster students created their own snowboards and poems to share during the Winter Celebration of Learning.

World." To check that out, please visit our Facebook page at Lakeshore Intergenerational School.

WHAT'S NEXT:
On January 1st, 2018, we will open enrollment for the 2018-19 school year.
Current Lakeshore families: you have until February 2nd, 2018 to submit your re-enrollment forms to guarantee your spot for next year.
Prospective Lakeshore families: are you looking for a quality school for your child? Do you know someone looking for a quality school for their child? Well please consider your neighborhood school, Lakeshore Intergenerational School!

How GamerHaven came to East 185th Street

transitions is that the people leaving official roles with Northeast Shores didn't mean they leave our community; people in this area stay caring about Collinwood no matter their titles. The new faces and voices in the room are able to guide the organization as they see necessary, while the neighborhood is still supported by the individuals that established it (in new and different roles). It's a win-win. My hope is that in 2018, people around and within Northeast Shores continue to grow and remain willing to put past issues behind us; continued progress will require even more coming together, once everyone establishes their new normals.

The final new normal for me that came

as a result of everything mentioned so far is my creation of Full Spectrum: GamerHaven in November. It is a concept I've been slow-cooking in my mind since 2006, that has grown and changed just as I have. Located at 818 East 185th (across from the about-to-launch LaSalle Arts & Media Center), GamerHaven is the first of many Full Spectrum creative spaces (hopefully!). A games culture focused, multimedia-capable co-working space—a long way to say a former cafe that has game systems, creative tools, and light refreshments—GamerHaven is a different way of creating a community space in a prominent district. People who want to play video games can. People who want to get internet and good

coffee so they can do homework or business work can. People who want to develop music, podcasts, or art books can. Literally all sorts of creative output, or community interactivity, can and should happen here. And if none of these things interest you on their own, we will host workshops, events, and other opportunities for technology and resources to be made available to Collinwood and Greater Cleveland. If people have better ideas than we do, they can rent the venue for lower costs than you'd expect and we'll support their uses of it. And all while these things happen my company Master Collective will do its design work and creative consulting here, while supporting creatives in developing their own

businesses too.
GamerHaven is the culmination of a lifetime of my interests and a year of community growth. Because of the beautiful people in my neighborhood who have supported me (too many to name), I believe we have a chance to create something for ourselves in Collinwood that the city and region will look back at and wonder how it happened. Just being a part of that has me infinitely humbled.
I'm looking forward to seeing what 2018 has in store for Collinwood. I think we're on the cusp of something great.

Community

New Year, New YOU at Collinwood Library!



Brison and Brian add finishing touches to their scrolls while their mother Chanell (left) creates art of her own.
by Kiaira Jefferson
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It's a New Year, and we at Collinwood Library are looking to enhance your experience by offering "more" programming, "more" community connections, and "more" fun! YOU are what make the library happen.
Kids Café – After School Meal Program
In collaboration with the Cleveland Food Bank, Kids' Café is being served!
Monday – Friday -- 3:30-4:30pm
Ice Cube Igloo Building
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Thursday, January 18th @ 4:30pm
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This Month's Program Highlights features:
The Cleveland Museum of Art-In Your Neighborhood
Children of all ages were able to learn about the art of scroll making, where the medium originated. Their work will be displayed in the Atrium of the Art Museum during their annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration.
The scrolls will be on view during the Museum's normal hours from Saturday, January 13th through Monday, January 15th. Collinwood Library had children from O. H. Perry, East Clark and East Academy created beautiful scrolls out of torn paper, ink, markers, and glue.
See below for the next round of workshops (attendance is mandatory) for kids art to be displayed on May 8th. These dates are: January 18th, February 8th, March 8th, & April 12th.
Adult Programs:
Aspire 2 Succeed: From Basic Skills and Beyond (Free Basic Skills Classes).
Information Session: Tuesday, January 16th from 1:15-3:15pm.
Orientation follows on Tuesday, January 23rd, Wednesday the 24th, and Thursday the 25th from 1:15-3:15pm each day.
**Participants must attend all three days of orientation.
This is in Collaboration with Cuyahoga County Public Library ABLE Program, Aspire Greater Cleveland, and Cleveland Public Library-Call 1-833-ASPIRE2 (1-833-277-4732) for more information

Take a look at what we've got coming up for you in January:
The Cleveland Museum of Art-In Your Neighborhood – Art Club!
Staff from the Cleveland Museum of Art will be joining here at Collinwood Branch for a fun and exciting art club. The theme for this programming will be about 'A Room'. This will be an open ended workshop style class where the students will get to work and create their own art piece.
Thursday, January 18th -- 4:30-5:30pm
The Beauty Inside Presents: Beauty Bash Meet & Greet
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
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Do You Remember Oliver Hazard Perry School School's Clock?

by Elva Brodnick
Have you had a chance to see what's going on, at our new OHPS?
It's going up fast - & it's going to be wonderful!
Meanwhile . . .
Two things actually:
First off, one part of this shiny new building, is preserving memories of the old one. One the key elements to that, of course, is that grand old clock, that still stands in ONPS's hall.
We want to restore this - & even put it back to working order.
But we need pictures! So . . . if you're got photos of it (and stories about it too) please do contact us.
And . . .
If you're connected to OHPS in some way - as a former student, teacher or staff member - do please become part of our newly started Oliver Hazard Perry School Alumni Association. This group would work on ideas to enhance OHPS. Interested? Do please contact us!
Thanks!!
Elva Brodnick
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Bob’s Corner



by Bob Payne
We tend to make things much more difficult than they need to be, and it's all because of our thinking.

We can complicate anything. We can ruminate about conversations we've had; thinking of things we should have said, and guessing at what the other person really meant. We can drive our car and get to our destination, but not even recall exactly how we got there because we were lost in thought along the way. We can even allow our mind to scare us and affect our mood with anxious or depressive thinking.

When was the last time you quit worrying? At what point do you finally resolve to stop complicating your existence with stinking thinking and instead enjoy the day to day experience of being alive? You are having a physical life, but many people miss it because they are lost somewhere in their head.

Try this. For a short period of time, you get to pick the length, let go of your worry and expectations. Instead of occupying your mind with thought, just stay present in this moment. First, take a couple of slow, deep breaths. Feel the air filling your lungs. Relax, and let it out. Let your shoulders drop. Feel the chair you are sitting in and the weight of the clothing on your body. Breathe slowly and deeply again. When thoughts enter your mind (and they will), don't fight them. Let them come and go like clouds blowing across the sky. Don't grab on to any particular thought, just stay here, in the now. Gently slow yourself down and center on the reality of this moment. Breathe.

You are so much more than your busy thoughts and inner dialogue. You are a wonderful, unique, irreplaceable expression of life in this world. And, here's a secret (shhh, don't tell anyone). Life enjoys having you in it!

What makes you think that the sun doesn't love shining on your face? Is it really so hard to believe that the wind likes mussing up your hair? And, is it possible that maybe, just maybe, the earth adores the feel your feet?

The meaning of life is to live. If you want to have a meaningful life, do those things that are meaningful to you. It's that simple, and it's that profound. You get to decide which direction you go, what you pay attention to and what you disregard. It is all an incredibly beautiful dance. Don't get so lost in thought that you miss it. Be present!

Bob Payne, Manager

Euclid Senior Center

All the programs listed are available at Euclid Lakefront Community Center
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Breakfast with Bob



Breakfast with Bob will be on Thursday, January 11th, 8:30 AM at Gus's Diner One Eight Five 797 E 185th St, Cleveland, OH 44119



Bingo

Tuesday, January 9th @ 1:00 PM
Fun Bingo Sponsored by Manor Care and Braeview. FREE
Tuesday, January 23rd @ 1:00PM
Fun Bingo Sponsored by Mt. St. Joseph's. FREE

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

Sachi's Crafts



Wednesday, January 10th, 10:30 – 11:30AM Sachi will be onsite to showcase and sell her Origami creations as well as other crafts.



BIRTHDAY DAY

Wednesday, January 17th.
Cupcakes sponsored by Brookdale.



Foodies

Thursday, January 18th @- 10:30AM
Join us in the Library for Fun For Foodies. All participants please bring your favorite dish Sign-up at the front desk.

Game Day

Thursday, January 25th @ 1:00PM
Fun, games and snacks sponsored by Gateway and Braeview. So please stay and play. Game Day will continue every 4th Thursday of the month.



TRIPS:

SweetBerry

Thursday, January 4, 2018. We will be leaving the Center around 12:30PM and returning around 2:00PM.

Grande Pointe Fun Bingo

Tuesday, January 16th,
Leave the Senior Center around 1:15PM returning around 3:00PM. Register at the Front Desk. FREE

Jack Horseshoe Casino

Tuesday, January 30th. Leave the Center around 9:30AM and return around 3:00PM. FEE \$5.00 Sign up at the Front Desk.

SPEAKERS

Ask a P.A

Monday, January 8th @ 11:00AM. Teresa D'Alessandro from Cleveland Clinic Foundation will be onsite to answer questions regarding your health.

Community Police Talk

Thursday, January 11th @ 12:15PM
“Cop –a- Question” – Immediately after lunch. Members from our Police Department update us monthly and 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, January 11th @ 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 Reserve.

CVS

Tuesday, January 16th @ 11:00AM. An Audiologist, representing CVS, will be onsite to speak on the topic of your hearing health.

Euclid Family Pharmacy

Wednesday, January 17th @ 11:00AM Tim Williams, the owner and operator of Euclid Family Pharmacy will be here to talk about all things pharmacy.

MANOR CARE ASK MEIH

Tuesday, January 23rd @ 11:00AM. Meih representing Manor Care will be onsite to speak with us on the topic of “Sex & Seniors. If you have any questions you would like to have answered, please drop them in the box at the front desk, “Ask Meih”. Meih will continue answering questions every other month.

The Waterford

Wednesday @ 11:00AM
A representative from the Waterford will be here to share information on the Waterford Rehabilitation Center.

SERVICES

American Red Cross

Thursday, January 4th, @ 1:30 to 6:30PM in the Dining Room Annex...

AARP Meeting

Monday, January 8th @ 1:30PM. Board Meeting & Audit

DPS

Tuesday, January 9th, at 10:00AM – 1:30PM 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.



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Commemorating The One Hundred and Tenth Anniversary of the Collinwood School Fire of 1908



by Elva Brodnick

Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society presents Commemorating The One Hundred and Tenth Anniversary of the Collinwood School Fire of 1908.

It's hard to believe that it's been ten years, since our community remembered the 100th Anniversary of the Collinwood School Fire, of 1908.

Yet here we are, ten years later, remembering again, this tragedy that not only tore our own community apart, but truly had a far reaching impact on not just Collinwood, or our nation, but the world. It underlines the strength of this community of ours; we can never forget the tragedy of this - but we must also celebrate the strength of our Collinwood community in overcoming it. It is why the Memorial Garden stands in front of Memorial School - and why Memorial School is Memorial School.

Briefly, for those perhaps not familiar with the story, on Ash Wednesday, March 4th 1908, Lakeview School on Collamer Rd (what's now E 152nd St), caught fire, killing 172 students, two teachers, & one “unknown” rescuer. Because of the Collinwood School Fire, doorways to public buildings were revamped, to ensure safe escape in case of fire.

That's the very basic story, the rest of the story is complex, and fascinating.

So come February 2018, your Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society



will be kicking off a series of events, commemorating this the 110th Anniversary of the Collinwood School Fire. Do look at the accompanying schedule of events; not only will there be a month long display about the Fire, at Memorial Nottingham Library, each Saturday will also have a program, then the Commemoration itself over March 4th & 5th. We're also excited to be working with Mr James Badal, and the Kent State Press, on a book about the Fire - and are looking forward to sharing that (and more) with the community. Hope to see you there!

There's something else too. We'll be looking for your stories about the Collinwood School Fire. What stories have been handed down in your family? Are there photos, newspaper clippings etc you'd be willing to share? We've been researching this for over ten years, and we still come across things that help “tell the story” - you could very well have yet another piece of this so very complex story. So do get in touch with us! We very much appreciate it!

Looking forward to meeting all of you!
Elva Brodnick
Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society
Little Red Cap Project
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Exercise Classes at Lakeshore Rose Center

by Ashlee Williman

Start the New Year off right by attending upbeat & energetic exercise classes for seniors at Paul W. Alandt Lakeshore Rose Center for Aging Well! Join us for classes on Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 10:30 – 11:30am. The class is led by Christine Lee, and features a variety 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. Lakeshore Rose Center is located at 16600 Lakeshore Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44110. Please call 216-373-1915 with any questions!

Collinwood Nottingham Historical Society
Presents:
**Commemorating
The One Hundred and Tenth Anniversary
of the Collinwood School Fire of 1908**

Saturday, February 3
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Display and Reception
Collinwood School Fire 110 Commemoration
Memorial – Nottingham Library

Saturday, February 10
2:00 PM
Children's Program in association with CSF Display
Memorial-Nottingham Library

Saturday, February 17
2:00 PM
Annual Meeting for CNHS
Talk on Early History of Collinwood/Nottingham
Memorial Nottingham Library

Saturday, February 24
2:00 PM
Talk by Ed Kern regarding a personal reflection on the CSF
Memorial Nottingham Library

Aging Mastery Program Graduates at Lakeshore Rose Center



Aging Mastery Program participants at Lakeshore Rose Center

by Ashlee Williman

Congratulations to over 20 graduates of the Aging Mastery Program* at Lakeshore Rose Center!

This ten-week health and wellness program for older adults, was developed by the National Council on Aging (NCOA). Each week, the AMP participants would explore

a new topic ranging from healthy eating, community engagement, financial fitness, sleep, advanced planning, healthy relationships, and falls prevention. The classes consisted of a presentation from an expert speaker, in class activities and homework. The graduates were recognized at a graduation celebration on December 12.

Christmas Celebration at Lakeshore Rose Center



by Ashlee Williman

Lakeshore Rose Center for Aging Well enjoyed celebrating the holidays with one another at the annual Christmas Party. The party consisted of delicious food, photo booth and gift exchange! Stop by

Lakeshore Rose Center Monday-Thursday from 10am-3pm to enjoy daily activities, educational programs, congregate meals, and fun events! Call 216-373-1915 for more information!



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