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Making a Difference in Collinwood: Make a Difference Day Recap



Group photo with student/staff participants from JobCorps, Dean Roff of Homeless Hookup CLE, and staff from VOA: Veterans Resource Center Michael & Khamisi

by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation (CNVDC) along with Job Corps celebrated Make A Difference Day on October 26, 2018 at Five Pointe Community Center. We partnered with VOA: Veteran Resource Center (775 E. 152nd St Cleveland, Oh 44110) which is a transitional housing and supportive service facility for homeless veterans. They have housing capacity for 54 homeless male veterans. The Five Pointe Community Center and students/staff from Job Corps collected donated toiletries and socks to make care packages for the homeless veterans. Our goal was to make 50 care packages

and write support/thank you letter to the veterans.

We received a very generous from Dean Roff, founder of Homeless Hookup CLE. He made sure we met our goal with his donation of 54 soap, shampoo, shaving kits, toothbrushes, toothpastes, rain ponchos, and combs. His non-profit, the Homeless Hookup is an organization dedicated to helping the less fortunate affected by poverty and homelessness. They go out 1 to 2 times per week and hand out emergency packets filled with hygiene items and seasonal necessities.

With all the donated items we were able to surpass our goal and create 55 care packages. Staff from VOA: Veterans Resource

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Collinwood Mural is Monument to Free Speech



The City Club of Cleveland commissioned this mural, which was installed Oct. 24 and 25 on the side of the parking garage at New Tech Collinwood High School.

by CMSD News Bureau

The parking deck at New Tech Collinwood High School now stands as a monument to free speech.

A mural installed Oct. 24 and 25 on the side of the deck facing St. Clair Avenue is one of three displayed publicly in Cleveland to spark reflection on the role of free speech in the city.

The City Club of Cleveland, a forum for free speech, commissioned the works last year to celebrate the 75th anniversary of its "Freedom of Speech" mural by Cleveland artist Elmer Brown. The installation at New Tech Collinwood came during Free Speech Week.

Christopher Darling, who died in June, created the Collinwood mural, using three tableaux to represent what he considered to be the underpinnings of the City Club's mission: dialogue, diversity and democracy. Darling was a painter and illustrator whose works have been published and exhibited internationally. At the time of his death, he was teaching at Kent State University's School of Visual Communication Design.

LAND studio facilitated the New Tech installation. Scherba Industries was the installer.

The other murals were installed in August at the Bonfoey Gallery at Euclid Avenue and East 17th Street, by Playhouse Square, and this week at the Cleveland Public Library's Rice Branch on Shaker Boulevard.

Hospice of the Western Reserve Kicks Off 40th Anniversary Year



by Laurie Henrichsen

For 40 years, both paid and volunteer staff members at Hospice of the Western Reserve have walked side by side with the loved ones of more than 100,000 individu-

als in the final phase of life. As one of the earliest nonprofit pioneers of the hospice movement in the U.S., Hospice of the Western Reserve's mission has always focused on helping families make the most of the

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Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson Takes His State of the City Address to the People



by Neighborhood & Community Media Association of Greater Cleveland

Cleveland Mayor Frank G. Jackson took his 2018 State of the City address directly to the people by moving the annual event to 7 p.m. and making it free and open to the public. The address traditionally was held in Public Hall during the middle of the work day and was a paid event primarily attended by Cleveland's business and philanthropic community. This year, Cleveland residents, neighborhood organizations, business leaders and members of the general public all joined Mayor Jackson for the event. Mayor Jackson said he intends to use the same new State of the City format next year.

The Mayor's full State of the City speech has also been made available to view online on the City of Cleveland Facebook page and the City's website at clevelandohio. gov/SOTC. The State of the City was live streamed across all of the city's social media channels in HD for the first time.

In a one-on-one meeting with Cleveland's neighborhood and community newspapers, Jackson reinforced this point: "I've always talked about neighborhoods," he said. "This was the first time that we've bypassed the 'interpreters of the Mayor' and gone straight to the people."

The Mayor added, "Why do you think I'm talking to you today? Yes, I went to the Plain Dealer this morning; I'll talk to radio/TV later this afternoon, but we carved out a particular space for you because you talk to people—although you have some of the same concerns, you listen with a different ear, you hear with a different ear, and you communicate with a different voice."

At the table were the publishers of Cleveland newspapers Profile News Ohio, The Collinwood Observer, the upcoming Ward 7 Observer, The Tremonster, and The West Park Times, and Darvio Morrow of Outlawz Radio. Jackson demonstrated his understanding of how each media outlet's neighborhood and overlapping culture is positioned now, and his focus on giving each unique Cleveland community what it needs to grow.

Jackson used his State of the City address and his new, multi-layered, direct-to-thepublic format to raise awareness of his

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Councilman's Corner



by Michael D. Polensek

I wish to thank everyone who came out in record numbers to support the clambakes which were held by many of our churches, schools and nonprofit organizations

in the ward. There were record crowds. Once again, it only reinforces the fact that when we care about the institutions and organizations in the community we can and will make a dif-

Talk about record crowds, what a great turn out and great weather for the "Remembering the Sights and Sounds of Euclid Beach" event held on Sunday, September 30. This year we had the largest antique and classic car show we ever had. Thanks to all who attended. Then there was the Men's Health Fair held at the Recreation Center on October 7th sponsored by Cleveland Clinic, NEON, my office and Zeta Omega Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. We hope to be able to sponsor this event annually and I look forward to working with the sponsors on future health-related events and programs.

I also wish to thank all the volunteers involved, especially Commander Sammy Morris and officers of the 5th District, for their efforts in making the "Haunted Jail" Halloween Party at the 5th District a big success as well as the Staff and Volunteers at the Collinwood Recreation Center for making the Big City Boo at the Center another smashing success. As one of the financial supporters of these two events, it goes without saying how important it is that our children have a fun and safe Halloween. Thank you to all who donated their time, talents and funds

As I continue to update the community, I will be meeting with our partners, the Cleveland MetroParks, on November 13th to discuss the pier project and future enhancements and improvements to Euclid Beach, Villa Angela and Wildwood Parks. I am determined to put these parks clearly on the map and to enhance the "Emerald Necklace," which we have all come to embrace and support. There are only a handful of wards in the city, and only a few suburbs in the County, who have a MetroParks presence. We have three lakefront parks and my goal is to have these parks continue to enrich our lives and offer recreational opportunities for decades

Furthermore, I am waiting on a date as to when the work will actually begin on the complete rebuilding of the Mark Tromba Pool and Playground in the Collinwood Village neighborhood. Tromba has been on our radar screen for a long and I am finally glad to see that improvements will begin there soon. Stay tuned for progress and future construc-

As I am sure you have heard, the Collinwood Nottingham Villages Development Corporation has officially changed their name to the Greater Collinwood Development Corporation. The new Board decided that, as a result of the organization growing its geographical footprint and focus, that they would be more inclusive and encompassing to broaden the name since they now will represent the entire Northeast portion of the City of Cleveland. I commend the Board, Officers and staff for incorporating a more global approach in our neighborhood. They will be

reaching out to the rest of the community

for input and support through membership. As I have mentioned before, anyone living or operating a business in our community who would like to become a real stakeholder in the re-development of the greater Collinwood area should call the CDC at (216) 383-9772 for more information.

Speaking of re-development, I would like

to commend and thank Gent Machine at 12315 Kirby, for re-locating to our Ward 8 community from the S. Euclid community. It is located in the former Coyne Textile building which was had been vacant for some time. With assistance from the City of Cleveland, they completed redid the plant and have relocated and hired approximately fifty employees. I toured the plant several weeks ago and was absolutely amazed by the amount of money, time and work that went into renovating the plant. Gent Machine is another example of a business believing in our community. Thank you, on behalf of our residents, to Mr. Rich Gent and his family for making this major investment in the East Glenville neighborhood.

As I have been mentioning at all of the neighborhood meetings I have been attending this past month, it is only a matter of time when that "white stuff - called SNOW" appears in our community. If there is a vehicle parked on your street that has not moved, or in front of your home, or in a vacant lot please write down all the information of the vehicle and the location and call the 5th District at (216) 623-5505, so that CPD can deal with the issue. There should be no abandoned vehicles on our streets during the winter months or in

As I have learned over the years, salt and extreme cold will affect streetlights. If there is a streetlight out please call CPP at (216) 621-5483 and report the location. If you see or experience water running in the street or along the curb please call the Division of Water at (216) 664-3060. It goes without saying that with the cold and snow, the potholes appear again. If there is a pothole or other road related issue please call (216) 664-2150. Let's get any roadway issues taken care of now before the snow flies. As always you can call the Mayor's Action Line at (216) 664-2900 for any service related issue, as well.

As I reported before, through our neighborhood partnership inspectors, our community development corporation and our city inspectors we continue to monitor abandoned and foreclosed structures. Any vacant building or house open and unsecure should be immediately called into the Housing Hotline at (216) 664-2007. We are collectively determined to rid our community of these vacant eyesores or to see them put back into productive use by responsible new owners. If you are interested in a vacant property, please contact the Greater Collinwood Development Corporation to see if they might be able to assist you in any way possible. Many properties take time to go through the foreclosure process due to a myriad of legal issues, but if we persevere we can prevail in securing the ones which are worthwhile to redevelop. Our goal is homeownership, businesses and responsible caring neighbors.

As we head into the Holiday season, I want to take this opportunity to, once again, THANK all of the neighborhood residents who have been engaged in our community, whether it be at our local houses of worship, the Recreation Center, the Salvation Army Temple Corps, our neighborhood clubs and associations, and/or patronizing our local

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

COLLINWOOD HOMEOWNERS MEETING

7:00 PM St Mary Church

MyCOM MEETING 1st Thursday of the Month

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 PRESIDENT: Councilman Polensek

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6:15 PM **Collinwood Recreation Center**

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Collinwood Recreation Center

ASSOCIATION 4TH Wednesday of the Month

Collinwood Five Points Community Center East 152 Street

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Any questions about these meetings please feel free to call Mary Louise Jesek Daley,

reached at my office at (216) 664-4236 via email at mpolensek@clevelandcitycouncil.

Michael D. Polensek Councilman, Ward 8

November 2018

1st Wednesday of the month

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5:30 PM Salvation Army Temple Corp 17625 Grovewood Avenue

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2nd Thursday of the Month

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3rd Thursday of the month

16300 Lakeshore Boulevard

EAST 140TH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD

(March to November)

Monday night at 7:00 PM meeting but does not take public commentary

Councilman Polensek's office, (216) 664-4236

businesses. Caring people really do make a

On behalf of our Ward 8 community, and all of our volunteers, I wish you and yours a warm and happy Thanksgiving. Even though we have challenges, may we always be thankful for what we do have. As always, I may be

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Family Game Night Recap





by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

Collinwood Reads and Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation (CNVDC) have joined forces! To kick off their partnership, they held a Family Game Night on Septemeber 28, 2018 at Five Pointe Community Center. The event, hosted by Literary Innovations, was jammed packed with literacy-based games, like bingo with colors, shapes, numbers, scrabble, and many others. There was a book giveaway where every child that participated received a new book and refreshments were served to all who attended.

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Over 35 residents took part in the fun!

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CNVDC can't wait to bring more events with this exciting new partnership!

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pice patients and their families.

Before the Vista Walk tour and program,

Moms First Consortia Recap

by Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation

The Lexington Bell Community Center hosted Moms First Consortia on Wednesday, October 24 at the Five Pointe Community Center. The event entailed presentations on Smoking Cessation and Substance Abuse Prevention. Over 25 moms attended the event with their children. Not only was the event educational, but fun. The moms who attended got to participate in a raffle with special prizes that were picked with

The Lexington Bell Community Center Moms First program has expanded their service area to include Collinwood. In which a partnership was formed with Collinwood & Nottingham Villages Development Corporation (CNVDC) Five Pointe Community Center to host more events in the Collinwood neighborhood.

Moms First is a program of the City of Cleveland Public Health Department. The program provides support to pregnant women or women with children under the age of two years old. Moms First services include: medical assistance (finding a doctor and transportation to appointments), connections to social services, and sup-

Moms First Support Group will be coming soon to the Collinwood neighborhood at the Five Pointe Community Center. If you are interested in this program please contact, 216-268-2138.

Hospice of the Western Reserve...



time they have remaining. Care is indi-

Anniversary Kickoff last week at David Simpson Hospice House served as a joint celebration of life and legacy. Staff gathered with 300 family members from our community to honor the memory of 48 loved ones. Many in attendance dedicated memorial pavers along the lakefront walkway inscribed with their special person's name. Proceeds from these memorial tributes will support programs benefiting future hos-

President and CEO Bill Finn unveiled a new, commemorative 40th anniversary logo, and honored former CEO David S. Simpson, who played an instrumental leadership role in guiding the agency during its formative years. A new portrait of David will be permanently displayed in the hospice house bearing his name.

In their remarks, both men reflected on the hundreds of people committed to the mission that have brought Hospice of the Western Reserve to this point.

"We feel honored to have earned the trust of families in our community for so many years," Finn said. "This work is truly a passion and a calling for all of us. When someone is diagnosed with a terminal illness, it doesn't mean their life stops. They still have plenty living to do. In fact, this is the time when all of those things that matter most come into very sharp focus. Our role is to provide comfort and support that will allow each person to have the best quality of life possible. As we head into the next 40 years, we will continue to evolve and look for new ways to innovate and improve end-of-life care in our community."



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Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson...

administration's work to bring large-scale neighborhood initiatives to Cleveland residents. Some of the recent major initiatives include Phase I of Jackson's \$65 million Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI). The NTI is a public-private sector partnership to revitalize neighborhoods where traditional development models haven't worked. There is also the Safe Smart CLE Initiative to install energyefficient LED streetlights and smart cameras throughout the city. He also discussed training of Cleveland's recreation center staff to recognize trauma in young people, an initiative led by his Office of Prevention, Intervention & Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults

Healthcare, financial services, research, and manufacturing sector growth—as well as increased services to every neighborhood—were pointed out by the Mayor as examples of new engagement in collaborative efforts on the part of multiple sectors of

The Mayor also spoke of his efforts to spark development in distressed neighbor-

"What we've found is that these distressed neighborhoods are the neighborhoods with the greatest opportunity for wealth creation and development," Jackson said. "Why? Because a large amount of [the land in these neighborhoods] is vacant; it's very inexpensive; it's in close proximity to major institutions that are major employment hubs; and it's in proximity to highways and public transportation."

Jackson also spoke of his new approach-

es to safety in Cleveland's neighborhoods, including new Community Engagement Officers in every police district, and a new approach to youth violence designed to detect negative behaviors in our youth due to toxic stress environments.

"We developed our Youth and Young Adult Initiative—why? Because we wanted to address crime beyond just having law enforcement...We're putting trauma-trained coaches in our rec centers; training all of our staff to identify young people exhibiting signs of this toxic stress and getting them and their families some kind of help."

Another part of the Mayor's approach to youth opportunity involves the City's efforts to make Cleveland a Say Yes to Education city. Say Yes to Education would be a game changer for Cleveland - not only because of the last-in tuition-dollar scholarships to address college access and affordability, but the comprehensive approach to ensure students and their families begin college-readiness starting in pre-K with the necessary academic and non-academic support services.

"Say Yes to Education recognizes that kids who come from toxic stress environments, and who have been traumatized, need social service. It's a health thing," said Jackson. "They need [wrap-around programming] to get to the point that they can—or are willing and able—to learn."

Once students are willing and able, the Mayor sees vital importance in new technologies for learning.

Deciding to

go to college

can be hard.

In his State of the City address, Jackson

referred to virtual reality as an educational tool in demonstration of the need to break former paradigms: "If we are going to position our education system for where the world is going in the future, we have to break out of the confines of the existing models. The Problem-Based Learning approach uses Virtual Reality Technology to achieve this. The approach works by giving the student a task or problem to solve instead of giving them a lecture, reading assignment in a text book, or other traditional material. They are not memorizing things or digesting long tests of information, but rather figuring out what the issues are and how to solve them."

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Neighborhood & Community Media Association of Greater Cleveland (NCMA) exists for small local media producers to seek mutual assistance and to support each other in a new technological environment and media landscape.

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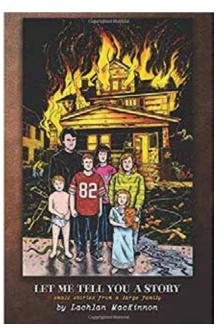
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Lachlan MacKinnon's "Let Me Tell You a Story" A Collinwood Tale



by Dan Polletta and Dave DeOreo re-printed with the permission of ideastream Friends often told Lachlan MacKinnon he should share his over-the-top stories from growing up in Collinwood in the 1980s, but he resisted. MacKinnon, a former punk rocker who is now married with a son, felt if you didn't know him or his family the stories wouldn't make much sense.

Then came the presidential election of 2016. The results didn't turn out the way he or many of his friends had hoped.

"After the last presidential election, my Facebook feed was real depressing. I tried to write the stories to cheer myself up and other people liked them. A friend would say that 'this story reminds me of that,' and that would remind me of some other stupid thing I did as a kid. Somebody said, 'If you type these up, I'll put these out.' I thought she was joking, but she wasn't," MacKin-

Much of "Let Me Tell You a Story: Small Stories of a Large Family" revolves around Lachlan's father, Bill MacKinnon.

"When I was real young, he was just like a typical dad. He had six kids to deal with and there was never enough money around. He was always working and when he wasn't at work, he always seemed angry to me. His marriage with my mother was not great, so there were adult things, but as a kid, you don't pick up on it. As an adult, I

pick up on it now. When he read the book he laughed but said, 'I don't remember being angry like that all of the time.' Maybe it's just my memories of it, but I talked to my brothers and sisters and they agreed that he seemed pretty angry," MacKinnon laughingly said.

One of the stories that MacKinnon shares in the book is what he and his siblings were told after their father was sent to prison for selling marijuana (Lachlan MacKinnon was around seven years old).

"They came up with this story that he was going to go to law school in North Dakota. I remember accepting this as a kid that this was no big deal, but even now I thought, 'what kind of law schools are in North Dakota that they don't have here?' There's a million questions I have now, that when I was six or seven, I didn't have then, that's kind of funny to me," MacKinnon

While much of "Let Me Tell You a Story" is filled with humorous yarns, the book also chronicles a Cleveland neighborhood that underwent a change for the worse, as jobs began to disappear with the decline of the steel and manufacturing industries.

"When my dad got laid off I want to say in 1983, our neighborhood went seemingly overnight from a really strong working class neighborhood to all of a sudden, everyone's dads and uncles were laid off because they all worked for Conrail, LTV Steel or the Fisher Body Plant, all went out of business at the same time. It was devastating to the neighborhood," MacKinnon

While MacKinnon captures the effects of this economic shift, he doesn't have any grandiose notions that he's written a book that completely captures the zeitgeist of what it was like to be a kid living in this area in the mid-1980s.

"This is not the definitive work on 'Ohio culture from this period, but I do think that if you read these stories you get a pretty good sense of at least the neighborhood and what it was like. A lot of the stories are pretty relatable. It's not that different from what other families were going through at the same time," MacKinnon said.

Salvation Army Christmas Registration Dates

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Friday, November 9 – 9 A.M. – 3 P.M. Families with children ages 12 years old and younger may apply to receive a toy and a food voucher to Dave's Supermarket! (Pick-up of items will be on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH at the same location you register at!)

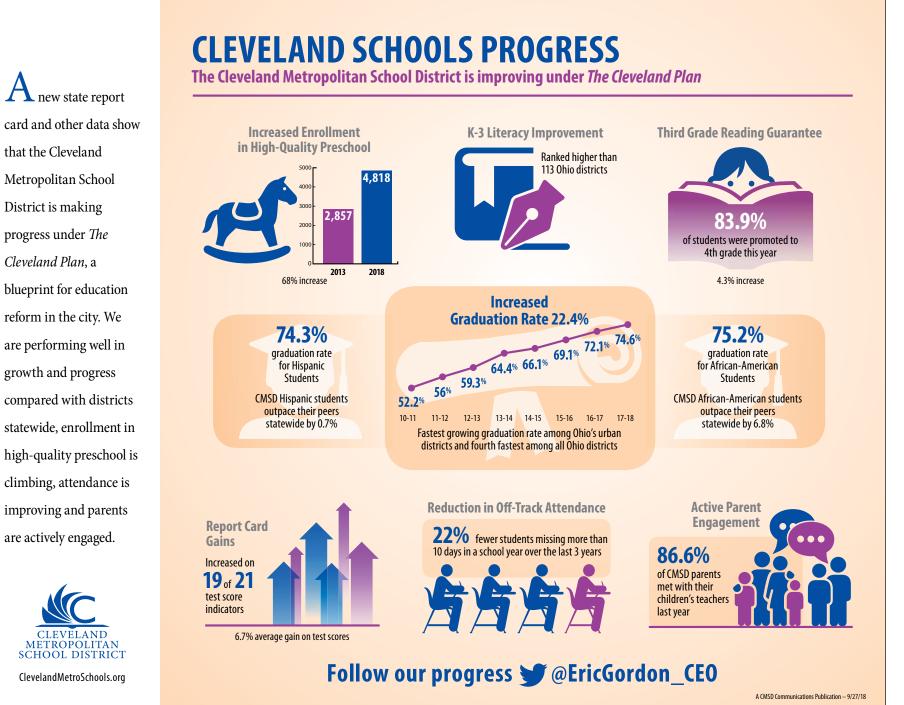
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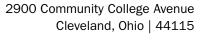
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New Tech Collinwood High School Embraces Free Speech and **Artistic Expression**



Honoring the right to free speech and inspiring Clevelanders to consider the role of free speech in our civic landscape, The City Club of Cleveland partnered with Cleveland Metropolitan School District to install a new public mural at New Tech Collinwood High School. This is one of three murals by local artists as part of its "Freedom of Speech Mural Project."

"This project reflects the City Club's steadfast commitment to stand on the side of free expression," says Dan Moulthrop, CEO of the City Club. "Every week we invite audiences and speakers to participate in civil, civic dialogue because we believe having a place dedicated to the practice of free speech deepens our understanding of each other and strengthens our democracy. Each of these artists has interpreted our mission in their own voice and from their personal experience to create a visual representation of the challenge and privilege of our right to free speech."

The theme was selected to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Elmer Brown Freedom of Speech mural that hangs in The City Club auditorium, honoring his artistry and the history of that work while embracing today's truth about free speech as interpreted by local artists.

The New Tech Collinwood High School

mural was completed by Cleveland's late Christopher Darling, a professor at Kent State University in the School of Visual Communication Design.

The artist described the work as a story told in three parts. First is dialogue—the foundation of The City Club's work. The burning earth from Brown's original mural is restored and Elmer Brown takes center stage in this story. The second story is intended to reflect Cleveland's great diversity and the importance of engaging people of all ages, races, and genders to bring their voices to the conversation in order to strengthen our democracy. The final story is more metaphorical. Democracy is the bedrock of our country, symbolized with a pillar, our flag, and a liberty bell, and I placed myself in the bottom as a participant in democracy. The woman in the center is holding documents representing the rules, regulations, and institutions of the past that are falling into obscurity to make way for a new, bright future.

"This is one of the last projects Christopher was working on, and his family wanted to make sure it was completed and installed in the community to reflect his commitment to use artwork to improve the world," added Moulthrop. "They are particularly happy to know it will be part of a school campus knowing Christopher's dedication to his students and teaching."

The City Club working with LAND studio, chose to use heat applied vinyl instead of painting the mural, in order to open up the submission opportunity to photographers and illustrators, as well as traditional muralists. A volunteer community selection committee met to select the final artists from more than 30 submissions

"When we received the work from our

final artists, we were blown away not only by the powerful work of each individual mural, but also the diversity of perspective they represented when viewed as a collection," said Moulthrop. "We were so inspired by the distinct interpretation of each artist, that we decided to identify partners in the community who would help us find a home for all three final murals. Thanks to the support of a number of generous donors, we were able to raise the dollars to produce not one, but three murals representing what Freedom of Speech means to our city today."

November 2018

New Tech Collinwood High School was selected as the location for the second mural because the artist, Christopher Darling, brought narrative and diversity to his work, matching up beautifully with the mission of Cleveland Metropolitan School District. The first mural, done by April Bleakney, was installed outside Bonfoey Gallery in Playhouse Square in September, and the third mural, by Donald Black Jr., is on view at the Rice Branch of the Cleveland Public

"Cleveland has a great history of murals that have brought color and creativity to the city landscape, which we've seen reborn in recent years, thanks to the Creative Fusion program at Cleveland Foundation and the Front Triennial," says Moulthrop. "These murals tell the stories of our neighbors and our neighborhoods and create new connections in our community. We hope that the City Club's 'Freedom of Speech Mural Project' will bring our mission 'to create conversations of consequence that help democracy thrive' into the community and add to the breathtaking resurgence of mural art in Cleveland."

Head Injury: A Support Group

by Laura Becker

Have you been in a coma?

Have you had an aneurism? Have you hit your head and blacked out—

even for just a moment? Have you been diagnosed with a brain in-

jury? If you answered "yes" to any of these

questions you may be interested to know that right here in Euclid there is a support group for you! Most people aren't aware that members of the Brain Injury Support Group gather at the Euclid Hospital for their meeting each month.

The meeting is open to anyone who has

givers. We meet the second Tuesday each month at 6:45 pm to 9:00 pm. From 6:45 to bout 7:00, we start with a pot luck: each member brings a dish to share. People who attend have different issues as a result of this injury, including memory impairment, difficulty concentrating, reduced reading comprehension, various physical disabilities (speech, arm/hand, walking, etc.), and others. We are also at various points in our lives: we are different ages, married, single, employed, unemployed, have children, live

We are a peer-to-peer support group, open and friendly, and a good resource for

to know where to look for it. You will learn of other groups, meetings, conferences, and social events that deal with brain injury. Even if you just want fellowship with others who will understand what you are going through, you can find that here. Because no two brain-injured people have the same experience, we all bring something different to the group; you will certainly find some

During part of the meeting, caregivers will separate from the survivors and each group will discuss issues unique to their

I personally found this group through

site (www.biaoh.org) when my doctor retired and I was looking for a new doctor and facility for my brain injury. Not only did I manage to find a new place to go for medical support, I've made some friends. You can't beat that!

What: The Brain Injury Support Group Where: Euclid Hospital, Lake Erie Room (E. 185th St. and Lakeshore Blvd.)

When: 6:45 pm, the second Tuesday of each month (next meeting is November 13) Who: Anyone with a brain injury and/or their caregivers

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Making a Difference in Collinwood:



Job Corps students make care packages at the



Jobs Corps staff Tiffany Artis putting rain ponchos in



Job Corps students working together making care packages

Center came over and explained programs and services of the organization to students and staff of Job Corps. They picked up the donations and will distribute the care packages. This was a great opportunity to give back and show our support for veterans who protected our country.

"Wow, I really feel great to be able to help someone in need, however is sad there are still 20,000 homeless people living in Cuyahoga County", said Job Corps student.

All items received from Homeless Hookup LLC are donated items from the organization. If you are interested in giving back, please go online to www.homelesshookupcle.com and purchase items on their wish

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Academics Community

Great Day at OLL STEM Showcase









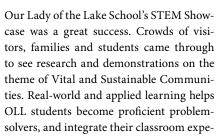


OLL Will Celebrate Christmas with Music









rience with applicable skills in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. At OLL School, students study STEM subjects at every grade level, and incorporate technology in every classroom. Strong STEM programs are one of the ways Our Lady of the Lake School helps to prepare the leaders



Music Ministry is an important part of Our Lady of the Lake, and this year this talented group will be sharing their gifts in a special way, with their first-ever recording of Christmas classics. Sparked by Music Minister Melissa Gali-Bird, the CD project has been underway for months, and includes the voices and instruments of a wide range of parishioners, young and old. It has been a wonderful experience for these talented

musicians to work on a professional recording, and we look forward to celebrating the season with song when they share their gifts with the community. The CD will be available in time for the Christmas season, and affordably priced to make a perfect gift for the music lovers in your life. To learn more about this CD project, and about Music Ministry at Our Lady of the Lake, visit www.OLLEuclid.org.



What better way to celebrate the holidays than with this creative parish production of the popular Disney hit, Elf Jr. It's a show the whole family will enjoy. Last year's OLL Parish Theater production drew record crowds, so you won't want to miss this one.

> Performances are November 16 and 17 at 7:00pm, and November 18 at 2:00pm, at Shore Cultural Centre.

Tickets are available now at www.OLLEuclid.org.



St. Jerome Church

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Let the Celebration Begin!





The weather was perfect, the food fabulous, and people are always wonderful at the annual St. Jerome Clam/Steak Bake.

by Adele Markert

St. Jerome kicked off a yearlong Centennial celebration with the Annual Clam/ Steak Bake on September 30th, the Feast Of St. Jerome. A lovely Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Roger Gries set the tone for the day and the year of celebrating our faith and our community. Coffee and donuts followed and the school was opened for visitors. An exhibit of memorabilia in the library included a home movie of our founding pastor, Monsignor Leo Hammer laying the cornerstone of the present church. Also on display were Monsignor Hammer's

vestments and a Latin Missal that was given to him by the Ursuline sisters for his 25th anniversary. The missal was kindly loaned to us by the Hammerfamily. We were delighted to welcome many members of the Hammer family including George Hammer, Monsignor Hammer's nephew.

The clambake was a huge success with 250 people attending. In addition to the marvelous food, there was a Chinese Auction with more fabulous prizes than ever, live entertainment, and always great friends. See you next year!



Getting lined up for the overhead drone picture are some of the 250 alumni, friends and neighbors at the St



The Most Reverend Roger Gries celebrated the opening Mass of our Centennial Celebration.

Blessing of Animals



Parishioners came back after Mass with their furry friends for the annual Blessing of Animals. A few of the honorees took time to make friends before

Father Bill a good number of dogs and even a turtle this year. The Blessing of Animals is held in Honor

December 12th Concert



Frank Rosenwein, principal oboe of the Cleveland Orchestra will perform Strauss' Oboe Concerto in D Major at

by Adele Markert

The Decmeber 12, 2018 City Music Cleveland Chamber Orchestra concert will be held at St. Jerome Church, 15000 Lake Shore Blvd at 7:30pm.

The concert will begin with The Magic Flute Overture by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Richard Strauss' Oboe Concerto

in D Major will feature Frank Rosenwein, principal oboe of the Cleveland Orchestra. Mozaart's Symphony No. 39 will complete the program. Stefan Wilich will conduct.

In their 15th season City Music Cleveland concerts are free and family friendly, though donations are always welcome.

St. Jerome School



Tessa Lark returns to St. Jerome October 24th to open the 15th season of City Music Cleveland with Brahm's Concerto for Violin and Cello with Edward Arron on cello

by Kathy Hughes

During the month of October, the school had an assembly to kick off our Pennies for Pasta service project. Students learned about Leukemia and how it affects people of all ages. Through visual "blood cells and veins" they observed how the body is affected in a negative way causing Leukemia. They were each given a box and asked to collect pennies, other coins, and bills that will help in research to cure this disease.

Fourth graders have been very busy since the beginning of the school year. We just finished a unit in Science on the Scientific Method that included an experiment on gummy bears and how different liquids change the size, shape and color of the bear. The students were very excited to see their results. In Reading, the students are vigorously working on their Mystery Mobile. At the end of the month, they will present

these creative reports to the class.



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Paint Time



6th graders painting on easels in the Art Room!



Teachers and Parents love to paint too! Can't wait for the next paint night FUNdraiser!!

The Art Room is a busy place any time of day! Imagine Bella Art Teacher Mrs. Heston hosted a Paint Night FUNdraiser for adults the evening of October 12th. During the school day students are just as busy develop-

ing skills using a variety of mediums whether they are cutting, painting, printmaking, mask making, or much much more. Check out some photos!

Put Me In The Zoo!

Imagine Bella students headed to the Cleveland Zoo! Check out some fun photos and smiles from our field trip.







4th grade at the Zoo!

Environmental Science Center



Time to study these fossils!



Forces and motion fun!



Time to get a closer look!

First grade students headed to the Metroparks Environmental Science Center for a day of experiments and investigations. Students went digging for fossils and made



We had a great time!!!

science materials they were able to bring home too. Check out a couple photos from their fun day of learning!

Fall Fun



Who will win these pumpkins? Can you guess which

each fall. Students are earning tickets for the Pumpkin Raffle. There is excitement in the air as students are preparing themselves to enter the Haunted House, if they dare, at the Fall Festival. Parents came in to meet with



Book fair raffle! Thanks to everyone who purchased

Quarter 1. Imagine Bella just finished a Fall Scholastic Book Fair too! Finally, to wrap up October, is the annual COSTUME PA-RADE! Stay tuned for some great pictures in the next paper!!



6th grade at the Zoo enjoying a sunny day!



We want to see everything!



Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

Faith. Family. Future.

VASJ goes pink for Breast Cancer Awareness

by Patrick Bradford '19

Breast Cancer affects about one in eight women in the United States alone. That adds up to an alarming 12.4% of women.

With the efforts of VASJ's Economics class and the support of the student body, VASJ is helping stand up against this horrible disease.

The class created pink VASJ shirts for students to purchase in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. The money raised from the sales would be donated to the JD Breast Cancer Foundation, a local organization which helps women by providing essential resources that will help patients cope and manage their illness.

The response was incredible. With over 190 shirts sold, VASJ's Economics class is proud to be able to make a \$2,000 donation to the foundation.

"I couldn't be more pleased," says VASJ's economics teacher Beth Adkins. "I take great pride seeing the hallways filled with shirts that my classes were responsible for designing, marketing, and carrying out!"

Patrick Bradford '19 plans to attend the University of Pittsburgh and double-major in Journalism and Political Science.



Students in VASJ's economics class sold pink shirts for Breast Cancer Awareness and were able to raise \$2,000 for JD Breast





VASJ Science Chair brings new approach to teaching



VASJ Science Department Chair Mrs. Melissa Grai.

By Kathleen O'Donnell '19

Lecturing is a straightforward method to teaching. It tells the students exactly what they need to know but isn't always effective.

"Students tune out during lectures," the head of the VASJ's science department, Mrs. Melissa Grai, says. "I knew I had to change something with the lectures because kids weren't retaining [the information]."

This is where modeling comes

that allows the teacher to present the material in such a way that their students develop a model of the concept in their mind.

"In modeling, labs are used to introduce and prove material, instead of simply reinforcing the material," Grai says.

Modeling provides students with a better grasp on the subject and the opportunity to create their own labs in order to receive a deeper understanding.

Grai now has students write in. Modeling is a teaching method up their own lab notes rather than college and major in illustration and animation.

giving them pre-made lab sheets as she had done in previous years. As a class, they determine what they are trying to test, what they are trying to prove, and what they need to do.

Grai hopes this new way of teaching will include greater retention of information in students, improvement in problem-solving skills, and an increase in ACT science scores.

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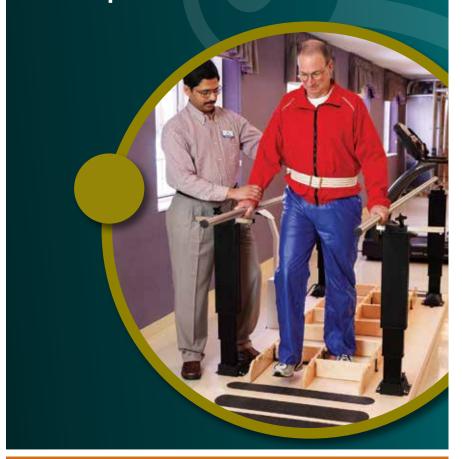
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