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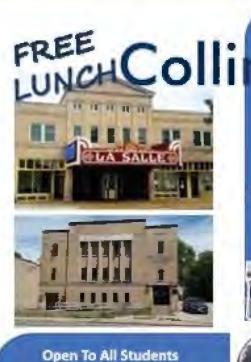


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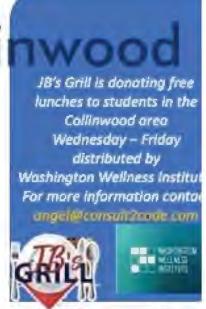
Thurs - LaSalle Theater X21 E 255th W. Ceremont, CH 44119

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Fri - Five Point Com Center

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2:30 to 3:30





### **Update to East 185 St. and Marcella Road Sewer Project**

Driving may be a bit more tricky for some traveling around the East 185 Street/Marcella Road Relief Sewer Project. Detour signs abound, though, to help you make your way. Then there are weekly, sometimes daily, updates from Cleveland Water Pollution Control to keep you abreast of how the project is moving along.

The year-long \$15 million project, designed to reduce basement and street flooding, is halfway to its winter completion target. The relief sewer runs 5,200 feet along East 185 Street and Marcella Road. It has 13 connections from the existing sanitary sewer system. Residents will not be assessed for the upgrade.

Currently, three intersections with East

185 Street are closed for the next few weeks to connect local sewers on side streets to the new relief sewer and to relocate an existing water main in preparation for upcoming sewer work. They are at Marcella Road, East Park Drive/Cherokee Avenue and Arrowhead Avenue.

A snippet of what is happening/has happened so far:

- Marcella Road Underground microtunneling is complete and road repaving is about to begin.
- East Park Drive/Cherokee Avenue -Connecting local sewers to the new relief sewer.
- Arrowhead Avenue Water main relo-(continued page 8)

# **Shop Coit Road Farmer's Market**

Looking for fresh produce? Coit Road Farmer's Market is open Saturdays and Wednesdays 8AM - 1PM. Shop delicious, seasonal, fresh produce from local vendors right in Collinwood!!





# **EAST 185 STREET & MARCELLA ROAD RELIEF SEWER PROJECT** Pawnee Ave PROJECT LEGEND Construction Area Underground Tunneling Complete Road Closed Detour North and South to E, 185 St. Chickasaw Ave Kewanee Ave Shawnee Ave

## **Digital Poster Contest Winners An**nounced "Where Would we BEE without Pollinators"

The Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) announces the winners of our poster contest for Cuyahoga County students in Kindergarten through 12th

These students displayed their knowledge of the importance of pollinators in our 2020 poster contest. First place winners will advance to the state competition. Congratulations to the following District winners: Grades 2-3: Ayden Gonzalez from Ms. Holyk's class at Charles Mooney, Cleveland; Grades 4-6: Donovan Callahan from Ms. Severson's class at Ruffing Montessori School, Cleveland Heights; Grades 7-9:



# Observer

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### Councilman Update



Dear Friends and Neighbors

I hope this letter, finds you and your family well. I know how much of a struggle it has been. There are programs and resources available out there,

though. Don't feel ashamed to have to use them.

First, I wish to, once again, acknowledge for this MEMORIAL DAY just past, all those veterans who "gave their all" in service to this Country. It was because of their service and sacrifice, that we, today, enjoy the freedoms as outlined by our Constitution and its Amendments. Remember all of our Veterans who have passed from our presence.

To our 2020 GRADUATES, CONGRATU-LATIONS! You have worked hard to achieve this goal. This will certainly be a time in your life you will never forget, and we have gotten very creative in our ways to help you celebrate, as well. Best of everything as you set off on future journeys into further education or a career.

As I reported in the last Collinwood Observer, these are times which none of us have ever experienced. The toll on our country, state and our city has been unprecedented. Even during the worst days of WWII, according the "Old Timers" in the neighborhood, have we ever experienced anything like we have been through in these last two and half months.

As I write this article, it is almost inconceivable that we are approaching 100,000 Americans who have lost their lives due to this Covid-19 pandemic. Think about that for a moment. We recorded our first death due to the virus in late February. Who could have ever imagined the impact that this invisible killer would reap upon the American society?

We have not been able to meet in person either. I miss all of our neighborhood gatherings. As we move into June, it is still questionable as to how many neighborhood groups and organizations will resume with their meetings. We will try to keep you as informed as we can. Pay attention to news broadcasts, email blasts, Facebook and, of course, the Collinwood Observer for neighborhood news.

We have just been informed, that the Collinwood Recreation Center will be reopening come July 6 after staff can be retrained and the center sanitized. Face masks will be required while inside the Recreation Center and because the total number of individuals entering the facility will be strictly enforced, one must be pre-registered for any of the programs offered and MUST check in upon entering. Outdoor pools will be CLOSED all Summer. All City playgrounds, including the Basketball courts, will also be CLOSED until further notice.

In addition. I have also been alerted to the fact that while the Cleveland MetroParks are OPEN, all programs at the parks have been cancelled through the end of September. The always popular Euclid Beach LIVE Concerts have also been cancelled for this year. The use of the pavilions at all the parks and the pier at Euclid Beach are also off limits. Regarding, the beach areas, THERE WILL BE NO LIFEGUARDS on duty at Villa Angela Beach at this time; swimming is at your own risk. The lake levels are also at an all time high and the beaches have been eroded, which also makes these areas even more dangerous. Please be careful if you go down to the beach. All of this, though, is subject to change.

It goes without saying, our neighborhood businesses, and small businesses city wide, have been devastated by the mandated closures. I urge all to please support those neighborhood businesses who are open and those just starting to re-open. If there was ever a time to show loyalty to the businesses in the Greater Collinwood community, that time is now.

We are hearing that up to 40% or more of small businesses may never re-open. Many have failed already. As I write this article, the dominoes are falling each day. Some of these businesses have been neighborhood fixtures for decades and yet, cannot sustain the loss of income they have experienced. We have all heard the stories about the difficulty they have experienced in getting financial assistance, whether it be from the Federal or State governments. In addition, my office receives a call each day from those still waiting to receive their first unemployment check. Getting through to the Unemployment Bureau is a chore and many are discouraged. Keep trying, they are overwhelmed, too.

As a result, not only are businesses imploding but residents, some who have never experienced such financial difficulties, and are faced with the inability to pay bills and household expenses. There is help out there, ie. The Help Center at the Cleveland FoodBank (216-738-2067)

At the end of the day, we are all hoping and praying that the Federal government, in partnership with the State governments can ramp up testing, treatments and contact tracing to a point that allows us to get our economy back on its feet and citizens can get the help and treatments they need.

As a result of all the issues that families and individuals have been confronted with, many have failed to return their 2020 CENSUS FORMS. I cannot stress enough the importance of compliance with the 2020 Census and how this will impact the State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland as well as, our own Ward. If you think we have financial problems in Cuyahoga County and the City now, just wait; federal dollars to counties and cities is tied to Census figures. The fewer residents report, the fewer federal dollars are allocated to provide critical services, operations and programs. Please, if you have not returned your Census forms, please do so immediately. Afterall, it is a constitutional law. Please see https://2020Census.gov/

Finally, as we move into this summer, please continue to maintain social distancing, wear face masks where required, and follow personal hygiene recommendations. Above all, please look out for one another. This crisis has shown us the best and the worst in America and has exposed all the shortcomings in our supply chains. If we all do our part, God willing, we will get through this and just maybe come out a much better and caring society. I look forward to the day we can all gather as a community, once again.

I may be reached via phone at (216) 664-4236. Just leave a message and either I or my Executive Administrative Assistant, Mary Louise, will get back with you. We check emails constantly so please feel free to send us a message at mpolensek@clevelandcity-council.org or mdaley@clevelandcitycouncil.org.

Take care. Stay well.

Sincerely,

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Councilman, Ward 8



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### Nan's Notes:



by Nan Kennedy

J.B.s Grill & Soul Food and Washington Wellness Institute, LLC will be providing boxed lunches for kids Wednesdays and Thursdays at LaSalle Theatre and Fridays at Five Pointe Community Center, 2:30-3:30. JB's Grill has been distributing boxed lunches for kids in Slavic Village since the start of the pandemic and has grown to serve over 200 kids a day! They are providing 50 meals to start (first-come, first-served) and will provide additional meals as the program grows. Excited to bring this option to the community for our youth!



#### From NuLife Studios

After careful consideration. We have decided to move our re-opening date to June 8th. We want to ensure we are opening with all of the necessary safety measures in place. If you personal train with Abe or Arvell, please contact them directly to schedule your training sessions. We look forward to servicing your health and wellness needs again soon.

#### From Photocentric Gallery

We're going to be open for the Windows on Waterloo event on Friday, June 5th. Those with masks can view Lori Kella's beautiful exhibition Vanishing Shoreline (eight people max in gallery at one time for proper social distancing). Meet the artist from 5-7pm.

Photocentric has collaborated with Jerry Schmidt to refurbish the bus stop seating, it's got a new seat, new drawings and a new color. And best of all, it works and is being used again!

Big thanks to all neighbors who've brought their framing jobs to Photocentric! You have kept us alive, anyone else please bring us your framing projects!

#### From the Beachland

We are currently doing much-needed repairs and upgrades (See pics below!) with a goal of returning at the end of June / early July. We are now making plans for expanded service in our parking lot for summer safe distancing and creating a "pop-up" restaurant in the Ballroom which will allow for more spaced out tabling. In the "back-of-the-house", our kitchen is being extensively renovated, which will provide for even speedier food service in the future.

We are working on transforming our Tavern into a Live Stream Studio in which we plan on running not only very special Beachland presentations, but also will allow local/regional bands and musicians a safe/clean space to run live stream shows using professional audio and video equipment! Our Anniversary t-shirts are going fast... we will not be

reprinting these limited edition shirts so grab em before they are gone! Look for new items to be added into the store very soon including kids wear, tote bags, hats and more!

#### Reduce, Re-Use, Recycle

A bit of follow-up on Cleveland's disappointing recycling program led me to this enlightening summing-up by Scene. It seems that much of Cleveland's problem may be not the end market residents: 68% of Cleveland's recycling materials are polluted. That's a serious public education problem. Any suggestions on how to get word out in the neighborhoods? Fox News, maybe?

https://www.clevescene.com/sceneand-heard/archives/2020/04/30/ cuyahoga-county-reminds-residents-allcommunities-besides-cleveland-still-actually-recycling

#### TO DO THIS WEEK

Treat yourself to pizza at Citizen Pie (216-417-2742; citizenpie.com), a coffee and sandwich at Six Shooter(614- 361-2437, http://sixshootercoffee.com/); a vegan bowl at Pop Life alfio@ritualjuicery.com). Curbside pickup.

Go on line and tell GCDC what you want to see in your neighborhood. GCDC

Stay on line and do some shopping at Blue Arrow, Framed (216-832-5101, www.framedgallery.net.) and Photocentric (www.photocentricgallery.com; 216- 219-7568) galleries; order a jigsaw puzzle from Matt Shiffler Photography (440- 223-7264 mattshifflerphotography.com).

Remember that you can get some groceries as well as terrific sausages, meat and cheese at Raddells; in the store, six feet apart, masks invited.

#### GCDC survey

Greater Collinwood Development Corporation invites Collinwood neighbors and stakeholders to participate in a Community Listening Survey online. If you live in Collinwood Village, Euclid Green, Glenville-East, Northshore or Nottingham Village, log on to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JS29XB3, and tell Jamar and his staff what you think ought to be happening in your neighborhood. Answers will be reported out anonymously and collectively.

#### On Waterloo

Star Pop vintage+modern Is Still Here

If there is anything that you are looking for, please send a Facebook message or call 216-965-2368; Troy will reply with photos of items in stock. Pay with credit or debit card via Square, or PayPal. You can pick up

your items from the front door of the store; In many cases Troy can also ship items to you based on actual costs. And you can purchase digital gift cards for yourself or as gifts through Square. You can even schedule when they are sent out: https://squareup.com/gift/YZMQ4SK794RT8/order

Pop Life Will Re-Open Carefully



Pop Life is making detailed plans for reopening its yoga studios; deep cleaning, air purifying, masks and distancing. They'll also be offering on-line classes and Zoom sessions. Stay tuned.

Pop Life's Ritual Juicery

Juice and smoothies boost your immune system. Put on a mask and go get some cold pressed juice, superfood smoothies, thick smoothie bowls and superfood snacks. You can also have a weekly delivery of juices and snacks as well as Uber eats. For now the Juicery is temporarily open 10-2. Wednesday-Friday.

Six Shooter Coffee

Happy to see our neighbors re-open their businesses! Just a heads up that we're going to continue operating as we have for the past few months—takeout or curbside pickup only, no more than 10 people in the shop at once. Thankfully with weather improving you're welcome to sit outside (socially distanced, of course) and enjoy a coffee.

Citizen Pie on Waterloo remains open regular hours for take-out only until further notice. The pizzas, however, haven't changed – they're still the best. 216-417-2742, citizenpie.com

Blue Arrow Records

Looking for new music? Have you checked out Stutter Steps REELING? Support small business by purchasing your LP or digital copy today. Produced by Anthony LaMarca and recorded at Peppermint Productions in Youngstown. Thanks for your support.

NuLife Studios Re-Opens June 1

And they hope you'll be stopping by. There's a lot to choose from: a smoothie or fresh juice; apparel; a drop-in class; a waist trainer; a membership. Whatever way you choose, NuLife will appreciate it. Meanwhile, NuLife is working hard to ensure you walk into a highly cleaned and sanitized facility.

#### AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

#### AT THE MARKET

Our beautiful old farmers' market turned 88 years old on May 21st – the only Cleveland marketthat's open all year round. And it will be reopening on Wednesdays, starting May 27, from 8am-1pm. You're going to need those two shopping days a week to keep up with the wonderful fruits and vegetables that will be pouring in this season.

- Asparagus
- $\bullet$  Rhubarb
- Carrots
- Arugula
- Fresh herbs (thyme, cilantro, etc...)
- Lettuce/salad mix
- Kale (green curly, baby Russian, Toscano,...)
- Mushrooms (cremini, shiitake)
- Baby red potatoes
- Onions
- Spinach
- Microgreens (sunflower & corn)
- Plants, herb plants, flowers, etc...)

There will also be starter plants for those who like to grow their own. On Saturday May 23, City Greenhouse Partners will be set up in the outdoor tables on the left side of the market when you pull into the lot. They'll have lots of tomatoes, plus a few other veggies that are growing and ready to put in the ground. 8 AM until 1 PM.

Buying food, even at a farmers' market,



involves an awful lot of packaging. Kevin has an answer for that: he'll put a receptacle outside the east doors for you to deposit your reusables, then quarantine and redistribute them later in the season when they are most needed.

#### The Library Will Open – Sort Of Monday June 8

Memorial-Nottingham is one of five neighborhood libraries that, along with the Main Library downtown, is re-opening to patrons, with some new rules.

Hours are: Monday – Thursday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Friday2 p.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday & Sunday closed.

You'll have to reserve your books, by phone or on line, with your library card in hand. Go to cpl.org or call Mem-Nott at 216-623-7018. Don't know exactly what you want? Call first and get help. Also request either curbside or walk-up for receiving your books:

For Curbside Pick-Up: Park your car in a designated spot. Call the library location to notify staff of your arrival. Open your trunk or cargo area so materials can be placed inside

Return to your car and be prepared to show your library card or state ID

For Walk-Up Service: Call the Library upon arrival. Be prepared to show your Library card or photo ID. Your materials will be placed on a pick-up table. All items will

be placed in plastic Library bags for your safety. And don't forget to return all items to the book drop.

#### Buy Some Spring at Cavotta's



You're planning to spend the weekend planting, right? It will do wonders for your physical and mental health! Visit Cavotta's first, any time — they're open 7 days— and get some flowers, veggies, herbs, shrubs and other decorative plants. And visit the baby goats.

### Four Corners Framing Has Nearly Re-Opened

Their suppliers will start normal delivery operations beginning in June, so they're starting to take appointments (rather than regular store hours, makes cleaning easier, avoids crowds in a tiny showroom). Please call us at 216-714-3168.

#### Dining Lithuanian Style

The Lithuanian Club on E185 will not open on a regular basis until further notice. The carryout program and limited hours in the bar area of Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays will be the norm for a while. They will fill catering orders: phone or text Ruta at 440 669 4145 with at least 48 hour notice. Sunday Brunch will be served after June 1 in the dining room and bar, on a test basis.

#### New Homes for Old Bikes

Do you have a bike or need a bike? Bike Cleveland is launching a Bike Match program that connects people who need bikes with people who have a bike they are no longer using and can part with permanently. Signing up is simple and takes just a few minutes, and will provide bikes for those needing to make necessary trips the freedom to move around the city autonomously, without relying on public transportation



and avoiding the impact of reduced transit services around the city. Learn more and sign-up at: https://www.bikecleveland.org/ bikematch/

### OF INTEREST TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

#### DruChristine

Drue is open for business with a few adjustments! Check them out below:

Limited Store Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays - 11-3pm

In order to monitor the number of people in our studio, all shoppers must make an appointment online. You can schedule an appointment here: https://druchristine.com/schedule\_an\_appointment

Curbside pickup will remain an option. Simply click the pickup option at checkout. To shop online, visit: https://squareup.com/store/druchristine-fabrics-and-design

#### Two New Small Business Services at CSU

#### **Marketing Strategy Assistance:**

Do you need help creating a new marketing strategy for the reopening of your business? Maybe a specialist to assist you with getting a new message out there to your customers? Email for a FREE zoom appointment with a specialist! k.vandyke@csuohio.edu; 216.280.1703

### Accounting System Set-Up and Customization:

Do you need a business advisor to help you set up an accounting system or help to customize yours so you have a better understanding when using it? Email for a FREE zoom appointment with a specialist. k.vandyke@csuohio.edu; 216.280.1703

#### FROM THE CITY

No Trash Pick Up on Memorial Day

The City of Cleveland Department of Public Works will not collect waste Monday, May 25 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. There will be a one-day delay in the waste collection schedule through the week.

#### **Summer Recreation**

Outdoor Pools: Restrictions on time, spacing

Spray Basins/Splashpads are Closed for summer 2020.

Youth Baseball Academy: with restrictions, no travel

Indoor Racquetball Courts: Individual practice only, sign-up required.

No youth golf, summer camp, outdoor basketball.

Tennis singles games only.

Parks open, no big organized events.

Traditional Indoor Recreation Programs and Activities, limited in-person, more on line at TV20.

#### FREE LUNCH/MEAL PROGRAM

The lunch program will continue to be offered at each NRRC. Free "graband-go" bagged lunches will be available to youth ages 18 and under. The lunch distribution area will be set up outside of each NRRC. Staff distributing meals will be required to wear masks and disposable gloves.

#### No field trips.

No senior programs but seniors will be checked for ill effects of this loss, and referred to services.

#### Be Alert

Scammers are contacting people claiming to be tracing COVID-19 contacts. While legitimate health agencies, including the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the Cleveland Department of Public Health are calling people to complete contact tracing, they will never ask for your Social Security or Bank Account information. Do not click on links or respond to texts saying you have been exposed to COVID-19. Please report suspicious calls or texts to http://ConsumerAffairs.CuyahogaCounty.US or call 216-443-SCAM.

#### Stay Home If You Can

Businesses reopening does not mean the coronavirus is gone. Don't be one of the people the Cleveland police had to chase out of over-crowded bars and restaurants last week!

# Greater Collinwood Seeks Workplace Development Vista

Greater Collinwood Development Corporation is pleased to announce a Workforce Development AmeriCorps VISTA position through Ohio CDC Association. We are seeking an ambitious candidate to assist in the development of a workforce development strategy for Northshore Collinwood, Nottingham Villages, Euclid Green and Glenville East.

This position requires one year of service, commencing June 8, 2020 to June 7, 2021.

VISTA duties include: accessing businesses' needs towards resident employability in target Collinwood districts; applying local strategies to regional and global scale; securing partnerships with support service agencies to assist in overcoming barriers to employment; planning of youth internship/training leadership program with area schools and experts; assisting GCDC in 2nd annual Employment & Training Resource Fair.

Applicants should be professional and should possess excellent research and verbal/written communication skills. Benefits include: living stipend; education award; health insurance; PTO and more. NOTE: AmeriCorps VISTA is not a wage position. It is a volunteer position with living stipend and benefits included.

For more information about how to apply, please contact Kristian Hunter at 216-268-2138 or visit www.greatercollinwood.org.





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### Advance Ohio Pledges \$10 Million In Matching Grants To Support Ohio Businesses

Advance Ohio recently announced a pledge of \$10 million in matching grant funds to support Ohio Businesses in light of Covid-19. The matching grants aim to double business' marketing efforts from \$1,500 to \$50,000.

Advance Ohio's grant program works to support marketing, advertising and branding needs of dollars spent with added exposure in the Plain Dealer, cleveland. com and Sun News. To start the application process, businesses should fill out a short form by June 1, 2020. Once submitted, applicants will be contacted within 48 hours

Advance Ohio is a dynamic media company that operates cleveland.com, the #1 source of news and information in the state, and Sun News, one of the largest AAM-audited paid weekly chains in the USA. Advance Ohio is responsible for all multimedia ad sales for The Plain Dealer, Sun News, and cleveland.com and are the leading consumer engagement experts in Ohio.

For more information, please visit Advance Ohio Local Grant Program at https://www.advanceohiocares.com/.

# The Cleveland Job Corps Gives A Tribute to the Front Line

by Harriet Hadley

Everyday healthcare workers, first responders, front line and essential workers courageously face conditions that pose major health risks for themselves and for the health risks of their own families. In their commitment to caring for people, they work long hours. Some are confined at work and many work diligently and "SERVE" during the COVID-19 pandemic with limited supplies.

We all depend upon the services and skills of each of these dedicated technicians every day, regardless of a pandemic. However, it is unfortunate that this pandemic awakened what many of us had taken for granted: the skills, dedication, and the commitment they represent in caring for human life. For example, grocery store clerks and truck drivers are workers that became recognized as essential to our continued living.

These essential workers whom we had taken for granted have always worked hard, but the pause amongst the workforce allowed us to see their importance. So, let us always remember the service and the commitment we have experienced at the grocery store, clerks who kept stores stocked and cleaned; the delivery trucks on the roads; restaurant food preparers providing curbside service;

and teachers who had to shift to teaching virtually. We know there are many more to recognize to include our first responders, law enforcement, and firefighters who consistently act courageously without fail; and our military, who continue to serve in the United States and in foreign countries to ensure our Nation's safety.

Let us continue to support and pray for all essential workers, our brave human beings, and their families, as they relentlessly and courageously perform their life-saving duties. We honor them by doing our part to practice social distancing and take proper precautions to prevent any respiratory disease. More importantly, let us follow the medical examples that many of our healthcare technicians utilize to help during the healing process, be courteous, and caring.

On behalf of us at Serrato Corporation, we graciously and humbly thank you and "SALUTE" you for the valor you continue to display in the face of adversity and the sacrifices you have made to support, serve, and protect human lives!

# **Cleveland Job Corp Student Focuses** on the Good

by Harriet Hadley

"After the loss of my brother I had no direction or aspirations," said Bryan Hicks. "My sister-in-law Robbin Pettit, who is a graduate of the Cleveland Job Corps Center's Home Health Aid program encouraged me to enroll in Job Corps."

On May 21, 2018, Bryan entered the gates of the Cleveland Job Corps Center, where he earned a High School Diploma from Penn Foster in addition to obtaining credentials in Carpentry and Occupational Safety Health Administration (OSHA) 10. Wanting to not only make a change but to also be a change and a voice for students, Bryan served as Dorm Leader on the VP section of H-Dorm, Peer Mentor, G-Dorm President, Safety Cadet, and Student Government Association Sargent of Arms for 2 years. Bryan graduated on March 16, 2020. He advises students to not focus on the bad things, but to focus on the good.

"My plans are to work with my father one day and carpentry is helping me reach my goals," explained Bryan. The twenty-year-old will continue his education at P.R.Y.D.E Mentoring Academy to obtain additional certifications in Carpentry, Renovate, Repair and Painting (RRP), Lead Abatement Worker, and Lead Abatement Contractor.

He wishes to pay homage to his sister-inlaw for not letting him quit the program. Bryan also extends gratitude to both of his Carpentry Instructors, Daniel Volpe and David Lummus, and the center staff and students that were there for him.



The Cleveland Job Corps Center has immediate openings for individuals seeking free career training. The program helps eligible young people, ages 16 through 24, complete their high school education, train for meaningful careers, and connect with employment, apprenticeship, military, or higher education opportunities. Job Corps centers also provide on-campus housing, nutritious meal options, basic medical care, uniforms, class supplies, and enrichment and recreation activities. To obtain additional information about the specific training programs and educational opportunities offered at the Cleveland Job Corps Center, interested individuals can contact Job Corps by visiting https://cleveland.jobcorps.gov/or by calling (216) 541-2500.





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## **Cleveland Job Corps Student Grateful for Support and Encouragement**

by Harriet Hadley

After obtaining his State Tested Nursing Assistant certification, Cleveland Job Corps Center graduate Jeremiah Fields, 17, received an academic scholarship to Saint Xavier University in Chicago, Illinois. This Fall he will be entering their Registered Nursing program.

Jeremiah arrived at the Cleveland Job Corps center on August 9, 2019 and welcomed new experiences like having a roommate and campus life. When he was not focusing on his academics, Jeremiah assisted Residential Counselors in the dorms and participated in recreation activities. On February 5, 2020, he completed the program with his Nursing Assistant, Home Health Aide, and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) certifications and his High School diploma from Penn Foster. "My advice for students considering working in the medical profession is to be involved in your learning and always ask questions if you don't understand something," said Ieremiah.



"Before Job Corps, I was living at home with no previous work experience, no motivation, and I did not know how to fully take care of myself," admitted Jeremiah. "The support and encouragement I received from my Nursing Assistant Instructor Carla Widener, Counselor Terri Brown, and friends helped me get through the program. I would like to thank all the people who go to work every day looking to help people who are struggling."

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### **Gone Fishing 2020**

By Melissa Hollowood

Linda Mae Charters have begun their 2020 fishing season. Things have changed because of the Corona Virus and social distancing.

This season you will be required to wear a mask on board and only while you are moving about the boat or talking with others. Also, the passenger load has been reduced and this will continue to be the standard until the social distancing order is lifted.

Thus far, perch and walleye fishing has been successful. The weather has also been more than cooperative so early in the season.

Charters run daily from 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. A second charter from 2 p.m.- 7 p.m. will go out if there are enough passengers to do

so. The cost is \$65 per person and private charters are available. Please call for availability and pricing. Call and reserve your spot today as space is limited and filling quickly (216-481-5771).

Captain Vitas and his crew offer full-service fishing. They accommodate both the experienced and the not so experienced anglers. All you need is a fishing license and a cooler for your catch. Bait, tackle, ice and fish cleaning are available for purchase at The Bait Shack only a 100 yards from the dock. Buckets and rods are available for rent from Linda Mae Charters. Parking is conveniently located 100 feet from the dock. Feel free to bring your own food and beverage on board (no bananas allowed as history has deemed them bad luck).

To make a reservation or book a private charter please call 216-481-5771.

UPDATE: The Linda Mae is still undergoing repairs to bring her back to her original green and yellow glory. She will soon be seen on Lake Erie taking her second maiden voyage.



The Linda Mae



The Express



Popeye

# Welcome Back, Cleveland Public Library! Re-opening to the Public

By Caroline Peak

The Library releases plan to reopen in phases with limited service

MAY 21, 2020 (CLEVELAND, OH) – Cleveland Public Library will soon resume limited service to the public.

"We'd like to thank our patrons for their patience during this unprecedented time. We miss you and can't wait to see you back at Cleveland Public Library," said Felton Thomas, Jr., Executive Director and CEO of Cleveland Public Library.

The Library's reopening will be done in phases. On Wednesday, May 27, staff at the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled (OLBPD), which is operated by Cleveland Public Library, will be available to answer phone calls from patrons. Mail circulation for OLBPD will also resume.

On Monday, June 1, phone lines will be back open at all Library locations. Library staff will be available to take calls about holds, reference questions, and general Library information. Patrons can sign up for virtual programming and services. Patrons can return borrowed materials to the book drops. Library hours will temporarily change until further notice.

#### HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Thursday

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday

2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday

CLOSED

On Monday, June 8, curbside and walk-up service will begin at Main Library, the Louis Stokes Wing, and five neighborhood branches:

#### **CURBSIDE LOCATIONS**

Main Library: Drive-Up Window Only

Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch

Memorial-Nottingham Branch

Rice Branch

Rockport Branch

South Brooklyn Branch

Louis Stokes Wing, Walk-Up Service Only

All other Library branches remain closed with reference service available by phone. Here's a step-by-step guide to curbside service at Cleveland Public Library:

STEP 1: Reserve items online at cpl.org or by phone with your Library card handy. Don't know exactly what you want? Call us and we can help.

STEP 2: Call ahead to schedule a time to pick up materials.

STEP 3: How do you plan to pick up your materials: Curbside or Walk-Up Service?

#### FOR CURBSIDE PICK-UP:

Park your car in a designated spot Call the Library location to notify staff of your arrival

Open your trunk or cargo area so materials can be placed inside

Return to your car and be prepared to show your library card or state ID

FOR WALK-UP SERVICE:

Call the Library upon arrival.

Be prepared to show your Library card or photo ID.

Your materials will be placed on a pick-up table.

Step 4: Enjoy your materials!

All items will be placed in plastic
Library bags for your safety.

Step 5: Don't forget to return all items to the book drop.

Service at the drive-up window at Main Library will remain the same. The Eastman Reading Garden will be open with social distancing guidelines.

"We've spent two months planning our return and discussing best practices for maintaining a safe environment," Thomas Jr. remarks. "Our staff is undergoing COVID-19 training to better serve our community and taking a phased approach to eventually welcoming patrons back into our locations."

When the Library does begin to welcome patrons in its locations, patrons will notice new social distancing guidelines and Library staff in personal protective equipment. Patrons should wear masks for their safety. Based on guidance from the state and health authorities, Cleveland Public Library adapted its procedures for cleaning and sanitizing its facilities and handling materials. Returned materials will now be placed under quarantine for 72 hours to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

"COVID-19 might forever change the Library experience, but it will never destroy the spirit of discovery and learning at Cleveland Public Library. Whether you are virtual or curbside, we encourage you to experience all the People's University has

to offer," adds Thomas, Jr.

Cleveland Public Library is offering virtual programs and services including tutoring, career and legal assistance and health classes. This year's summer reading program, Summer Lit League, kicks off on June 1 to help children strengthen their literacy skills. For program information and registration, visit here.

If you can't find what you're looking for, just ASK CPL to live chat with a Librarian. Look for the "ASK CPL" chat bubble on the homepage, cpl.org.

#### **About Cleveland Public Library**

Founded in 1869, Cleveland Public Library serves the residents of Cleveland through its network of 27 neighborhood branches, the Main Library downtown, Public Administration Library at City Hall, homebound delivery services, and mobile services to daycare and senior centers. From a collection of 10.5 million items, the Library lends over 5 million items a year to its 330,000 registered borrowers and to 43 other CLEVNET-member libraries in 12 counties across Northeast Ohio. Cleveland Public Library is home to the Ohio Center for the Book and the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled, serving all 88 counties in t

# **Legal Aid Society Of Cleveland Announces Worker, Tenant Info**

by Yalinda Moore

Work on the East 185 Street/Marcella Road Relief Sewer Project is moving along as planned, even during the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic. Wastewater construction projects and other utility work are essential services.

This \$15 million Relief Sewer Project will reduce basement flooding in homes and businesses in the Ward 8 area after heavy rainfall, with no fees to property owners.

Many residents and business owners said they are thrilled about the benefits of the sewer project, but admit their patience is being tested by traffic detours, noise and loss of business. "Before this project started it was common for our basement to flood," said Koula Makris, who owns Gus's Diner 185 on East 185 Street with her husband Louie Makris. Recent heavy rains showed no signs of basement flooding, she said.

Makris said she is excited about the new relief sewer, but is nervous about what is next for her business when the intersection in front of her diner closes in a few months to connect local main sewers to the new relief sewer. Gus's Diner's business decreased by 30% because of construction, Makris said, and then decreased another 60% when the COVID-19 virus hit. "We

By Janeen Copic

Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

# Driver's License Suspended or Too Many Points on your License?

If your Driver's License was suspended and you need to take a remedial driving class to get it back, or if you have too many points on your license and are getting close to the 12-Point limit for suspension, Call us at (216) 621-0059 for more information about how we can help, and to register for the Adult Remedial Driving Class.

Greater Cleveland Safety Council
5500 South Marginal Road, Cleveland OH 44103
Www.ClevelandSafety.org

### Sewer Project Update (continued from front page)

- Kewanee Avenue Water main relocation complete.
- Pawnee Avenue Local sewers have been connected to the relief sewer.
- Chickasaw Avenue Water main relocation complete.
- Shawnee Avenue Water main relocation complete.
- Mowhawk Avenue- Water main relocation complete.
- Muskoka Avenue/Schenely Avenue -Water main relocation complete.
- East 185 Street Underground microtunneling complete.

Upcoming intersection closures for sewer connections will be announced in advance. Each closure is expected to be completed in about three weeks.

- Mohawk Avenue (early June to late
- Muskoka Avenue (late June to mid-
- Arrowhead Avenue (mid-July to early
- Kildeer Avenue (early August to late
- Chickasaw Avenue (late August to mid-September)
- Kewanee Avenue (mid-September to early October)
- Shawnee Avenue (early October to late
- Neff Road (early November to late No-

Updates for the East 185 Street/Marcella Road Relief Sewer Project are posted on the WPC Facebook page at @ClevelandWPC and on Twitter at @CleWPC, using #E185S-

### City Of Cleveland Launches Care **Call Program For Seniors**

City of Cleveland recently launched a Cleveland Care Calls program that aims to keep the city's senior citizens connected while checking in on their wellbeing. Seniors can request a wellbeing call Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

The automated telephone reassurance system is being offered by the Department of Aging and Public Safety to Cleveland seniors 60 and over or adults 18-59 with a disability. To participate, individuals must complete an application found http://www. city.cleveland.oh.us/sites/default/files/ forms\_publications/CareCalls2020Application.pdf and submit the request to the Department of Aging.

Once approved, registered citizens will receive an automated call at days and time they request. If the individual does not respond to his/her call, the system will reattempt the call several times in a 30-minute

If the individual does not respond within that 30-minute period, the Department of

Aging will then contact any person designated as emergency contact by the senior. If the senior or emergency contact cannot be reached, the Department of Public Safety may be asked to make a home check.

For more information, please contact the Cleveland Care Calls Project Director at 216-664-6316 or 216-664-2833. For more information, please visit http://www.city. cleveland.oh.us/node/10955.



### Poster Contest (continued from front page)

Gianna Condelli from Mr. Lubin's Class at Mayfield Middle School and Grades 10-12: Emeraude Katusevanako from Ms. Brown's sustainability club at John Marshall School of Engineering, Cleveland.

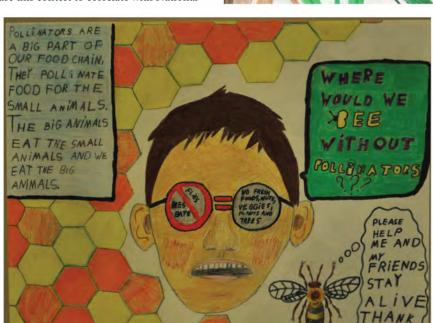
Each included the 2020 stewardship theme: Where Would We BEE Without Pollinators? Pollinators form the foundations of a healthy and sustainable future for food and the environment, but in recent years, they have shown concerning signs of decline. Working to protect and enhance native pollinator habitats is extremely important in stemming the threat to pol-

Linking art and creative thinking with science, the annual poster contest provides K-12th grade students the chance to develop and share their thoughts and ideas about natural resource issues. Students are encouraged to use the poster to creatively express their ideas on how conservation improves the environment. Teachers may use this contest to correlate with National

Visual Arts standards for all grades. It's a great way for teachers to instill in their students an appreciation for the environment and an awareness of the need to protect our natural resources.

Cuyahoga SWCD's mission is to implement programs and practices that protect and restore healthy soil and water









# Where Can I Find ...

Do you know where to find local, community news during Covid-19? Collinwood Observer/ Euclid Observer publisher John Copic shared the following drop-off locations with us for the month of May. Listed locations may have Collinwood Observer, Euclid Observer or both.

Raddell's Sausage Shop (478 East 152nd St) Six Shooter Coffee (15613 Waterloo Rd) R and D Sausage (15714 Waterloo Rd) Memorial School (410 E.152nd St) St. Jerome school and rectory (15000 Lakeshore Blvd) Convenient (15418 Lakeshore Blvd)

Blue Breeze (16826 Lakeshore Blvd) VASJ (18491 Lakeshore Blvd) Hospice of Western Reserve (300 E.185th

Euclid General Hospital (18901 Lakeshore Blvd)

Fresh Catch (564 East 185th St) Irie Jamaican Restaurant (621 East 185th

Buetners Bakery (704 East 185th St) Lucky's Restaurant (742 E.185th St) Hollands BarB Q (772 East 185th St) Gus's Diner (797 E.185th St) OH Perry School (18400 Schenely Ave) Scottis Italian Eatery (882 East 185th St) McBill's Beverage (1015 East 185th St) Marathon (1201 East 185th St) Slovene Home (18621 Neff Rd) Congin's (18812 Nottingham Rd) Lady Luck Pub and Eatery (19309 Nottingham Rd) Pacers on the Shoreway (19800 South Waterloo Rd)

Gateway (25 at each building) Behind Home Depot

Stevensons (800 East 200th St) Ludwigs (768 East 200th St) Adam's Restaurant (681 East 200th St) Azman's (610 E.200th St) Papa Joes (564 East 200th St)

Kristy's Restaurant (434 East 200th St) Our Lady of the Lake (175 E.200th St) Rectory for OLOL

The Green House (20150 Lakeshore Blvd) Bagel Buddies (20070 Lakeshore Blvd) Lakeshore Coffeeshop (22032 Lakeshore Blvd)

Great Scott (21801 LakeShore Blvd) Beachclub Bistro (21939 Lakeshore Blvd) Shoreway Courts Apartments (25411 Lakeshore Blvd)

Euclid Senior Center (1 Bliss Ln) Shore Cultural Center (291 E.222nd St) Eaton Family Credit Union (333 Babbit Rd. #100)

Maria's (22578 Lakeshore Blvd) Euclid Police Department (545 E.222nd St) Briardale Greens Golf Club (14131 Briardale Ave)

Mama Catena's (711 Babbit Rd) Paradise (830 Babbit Rd)

Confident Car Care KENDA TIRES (25680 Lakeland Blvd)

Bonneville Tower (25801 Lakeshore Blvd) St Williams & Roberts Rectory (351 East 260th St)

Mt Saint Joseph (21800 Chardon Rd) HELP (26900 Euclid Ave) Sidewalk Café (27101 Euclid Ave) Moore Counseling (22639 Euclid Ave) Cortina's (22681 Euclid Ave)

HGR (20001 Euclid Ave) Northeast Ohio Sports Plant (20001 Euclid

NCDC (15614 St Clair St) 5 Points Community Ctr (813 E. 152nd St)

Famous Gyro George (19019 Euclid Ave)

Salvation Army (17625 Grovewood Ave)

For more information, to share a community tip or to advertise, please contact John Copic at CollinwoodPublishing@outlook.



St. John Nottingham Lutheran School exists to equip the children of the Greater Cleveland and surrounding area with integrity, creativity, academics, compassion, and spiritual maturity in a diverse, interconnected, and ever-changing world.

### SJN Now Enrolling for Next School Year

by David Peck

This is truly an unprecedented time we find ourselves in. One day our grandchildren will open up their textbooks to discover a chapter on Covid-19. St. John Nottingham, both the church and the school, have met this challenge with flexibility, ingenuity, and faith. So many things have been abruptly cancelled or altered, from field trips to gatherings, school functions, and even the annual 8th grade trip, and we knew that the number one priority was to ensure that the instructional integrity did not suffer; that SJN students did not fall behind. At first, when we thought it would only be a few weeks, that meant work packets, but, alas, it has not just been a "few weeks."

SJN school joyfully serves a wide cross section of the community, and not everyone has ready or reliable access to the kind of high-speed internet necessary for online classes and the like, so when it became apparent that we were in this for the long haul, school and church leadership knew that the response had to be accommodating for everyone. With that in mind, the SJN teaching staff quickly swung to active online instruction, utilizing Zoom for group classes and instruction and Google Classroom for assignments, work turn-in, and more.

But we also knew that we would have to make certain that those students struggling to access these formats were not left behind, so care was taken to also provide lessons and assignments in a wide variety of formats and delivery systems, from PDFs that could be downloaded to physical work packets that could be picked up at the school. Which meant developing and instituting the necessary protocols and policies to keep everyone safe while doing so. When we had families that needed more, we provided more, even mailing work packets to students at home when needed. For work that simply could not be turned in electronically, a secure, no-contact drop off slot was implemented. These have truly been unusual times.

Zoom has been instrumental in keeping communication open, and not just for lessons. Kids need to see their teachers and their friends. Let's face it, if God had intended for children to sit in their houses all day He wouldn't have given them so much energy! Everything from Geography and Math lessons to Bible study went online, and SJN is fully prepared for whatever the Fall may bring, whether it is online, in person, or reduced capacity and mixed instruction.

The Church has also been handling the quarantine with aplomb and practicality. SJN church never truly "shut down;" we have maintained in-person services all along, but in a smart and responsible manner. Wide social distancing is in place. The Lord's Supper is carefully offered in a manner that is safe and allows all present to maintain safe distances. For those who are not comfortable with a physical presence, but still wish to worship, the SJN services immediately went online, broadcasting on Facebook Live so that all who wish to praise God may do so. All are invited to worship with us on our Facebook page, either live at 9:45 AM each Sunday or by watching the recorded service.

The SJN Facebook page will also host the live broadcast of our 8th grade graduation ceremony, although the diplomas will need to be picked up later, of course.

St. John Nottingham has been proudly serving the east side for 130 years, and something like Covid-19 isn't going to change that. We continue to be a community leader is strong, Christ-centered education, and will persist for decades to come. Our students, parents, teachers, and pastors have held strong, and will continue to hold strong in His name for as long as it pleases Him.

SJN is currently enrolling for the 2020-2021 school year.

We will open on time, ready to go, in whatever format that needs to be!

# Enrolling at SJN is 1 Call us at (216) 531-8204 2: We will walk you through everything you need, from applications to scholarships to records transfers. Relax! It's all taken case of! Our Principal will call you to schedule a consultation and answer all of your questions.





SJN students get their work turned in no matter what!

5th grade students do not let a little thing like a quarantine prevent them from Bible study with their teacher, Mr. Lawlor.



Stuck at home? SJN students refuse to skip art class.

# **Top 10 Reasons to Attend SJN**

by David Peck



- #10 We have 130 years of experience teaching God's children.
- #9 Small class sizes, capped at a 25-1 teacher-student ratio, with strong academics.
- #8 No registration fees; Cleveland Scholarship and EdChoice covers tuition 100%.
- #7 Strong mix of very experienced teachers and young innovators, all of whom are highly qualified.

- #6 Departmentalized middle school with specialists in Science, Math, English, and Social Studies.
- #5 Highly involved pastoral leadership.
- #4 Highly accessible and responsive administration is available to parents at all times.
- #3 Plentiful and up-to-date technology resources, with a better than 1 to 1 computer to student ration in every classroom.
- #2 SJN is family, and here you will be treated like family
- #1 A quality, Christ-centered education.

# **Zoom Meeting With SJN Principal**



On Saturday, June 27, the Principal of St. John Nottingham Lutheran School will be hosting a Zoom Meeting for new or prospective parents and students. Topics covered will include information about the school, the programs, the focus and mission of the school and an open forum for questions and answers.

If you would like to attend this meeting, please send an email to dpeck@ stjohnnottingham.org. Please say "MEETING INVITE" in the subject line and include your full name, the names of students, the grades of students, and any questions you would like to make certain get answered. (It is not necessary to provide questions in advance.)

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# Villa Angela-St. Joseph

### HIGH SCHOOL

# Ashen Ward '08 named VASJ men's varsity basketball head coach

by Kristen Mott '09

The Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School Athletic Department is excited to announce Ashen Ward '08 has been named the new VASJ men's varsity basketball head coach.

A former basketball player at VASJ, Ward went on to play NCAA Division I men's basketball at Youngstown State University from 2008 to 2012. He served as the freshman/junior varsity head coach and a varsity assistant coach at VASJ from 2013 to 2017.

"It really is a blessing to be able to coach at the same school that I played at," Ward said. "It's really exciting for me and my family. First and foremost, being an alum there attracted me to the position. It's really been like a dream job for me since I started my coaching career there as a freshman coach. I was always optimistic that maybe one day I would have the opportunity, and then when the opportunity came

open, I couldn't pass it up."

After receiving a bachelor's degree as an intervention specialist from Youngstown State University in 2013, Ward earned a master's degree in educational administration from Cleveland State University in 2018. In addition to being a coach, Ward is founder and creator of a 12-week summer training program for teenagers in Cleveland and Youngstown to help with player development. Since 2018, Ward has served as the varsity head coach at Orange High School in Pepper Pike.

"We are more than thrilled to have Ash back home," said Elvis Grbac '88, VASJ athletic director. "He is dynamic and competitive and will bring a great energy to the men's basketball program. His experience and willingness to teach young players will only continue to build upon the great tradition of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School."

Ward added he's looking forward to returning

home to coach at VASJ and giving back to the community.

"I'm most looking forward to being able to give back to a place that gave me so much," he said. "VASJ has always been home for me. I met my wife there in high school. Her brothers went to school there. It's always been about family for me there.



Ashen Ward '08

To be able to give back to a place that means a lot to me and to help those young kids is what I'm most looking forward to."

# Vince White-Petteruti '69: Providing respite in a House of Peace

by Cheryl Stashinko '03

Vince White-Petteruti SJ '69 has always been called to nature. Its beauty and quiet power serves as an escape for him to regroup and reflect. When he was experiencing a challenging time in college, he recalls taking a walk through the trails to clear his mind. The self-reflection he did on that week-long hike eventually led him to join the Chicago chapter of the Sierra Club. Soon, Vince was asked to lead a weekend backpacking trip in Wisconsin. It was on this excursion that Vince met the love of his life, Duck. Little did they know just how instrumental the wonders of nature would prove in unveiling a life dedicated to serving others.

Throughout 1990, Vince spent several months traveling from Chicago to Cleveland to spend time with his father who was battling heart disease. Sadly, his father passed away, and Vince found himself needing a break. In December of that year, Vince and Duck planned a trip to the picturesque snow-covered mountains of Colorado. A surprise lack of snow soon changed plans for the couple eager to enjoy the winter landscape of Breckenridge. Making the best of their trip, Vince and Duck decided to go shopping instead. On their list: many acres surrounded by a forest and a lake or river. A call to a realtor later and the couple found exactly what it was looking for: 10 beautiful, forested acres with a view of Baldy Mountain. Vince and Duck had found the perfect location to enjoy their retirement when the time was

In 1997, Duck's mother became terminally ill with cancer. Together with her sisters, Duck took their mother on a much-needed respite to Vail. This trip would be their last and a moment in time that Duck and her sisters deeply cherish. Vince shares that in the final hours of his beloved mother-in-law's life, she held the photos that were taken in Vail of her and her daughters. She passed away surrounded by family and with memories that brought her peace.

Finally, in 2001, both Vince and his wife were ready to enjoy retirement, so they headed to Breckenridge, Colorado, to begin construction on their new home. That July, Vince took a hike with his children, Nic and Sarah, only to return to find that Duck had experienced a moment of clarity. While alone, Duck spoke to God and shared with Vince she felt a calling to use their beautiful land as both their home and as a place of respite for families dealing with the harsh reality of cancer. Together, the couple contacted an architect to begin plans for their vision.

The Domus Pacis Family Respite was opened in June of 2008. The natural beauty that surrounds
Breckenridge offers families the perfect setting to create memories and take in moments of peace. Yet, Vince says the location offers more than just incredible scenery. The community of Breckenridge has opened its hearts — and homes — to Domus Pacis and its mission. Vince explains that aside from his home, more than 100 other sites are available to host families for respite.

Domus Pacis means "House of Peace," a name that Duck holds close to her heart. At her mother's funeral, Duck sang a hymn with a verse asking the Lord to grant peace. Upon reflection, she realized their mission was to create a place of peace for families — a house of peace. Vince says anyone of any age or stage



Duck and Vince White-Petteruti SJ '69

of cancer, including end of life, is welcome for a week-long respite.

The process is initiated when a referral partner, like an oncology nurse, recommends a family for a stay. A lead family member must write a letter sharing his or her cancer journey and discuss his or her needs and wishes for the visit. Learning more about a family helps the Domus Pacis team to choose the right home for the stay and ensure the respite is specific for each family. Vince and Duck work with a community of businesses that help to make each respite special. Common requests include photography, massage therapy, horseback riding and fly fishing. Volunteers bring home-cooked meals

The experience of helping families escape the haze of cancer has opened Vince's heart to the goodness that exists even amid uncertainty. The "quiet love that isn't yelled or shouted" is what's most moving for Vince to witness between the bond of family and friends. Throughout his years operating Domus Pacis, Vince has learned some remarkable lessons. "What you learn is so much more than what you give," he says. "I am not afraid to die, and I wish for my family to surround me the way these families

do." He's also come to know that God had a plan for him and his wife. In greeting and saying goodbye to every family that visits, Vince says he finds that many guests openly share their stories and express heart-felt gratitude for their time together.

As a student at St. Joseph High School and later the University of Dayton, Vince says it was the Marianist emphasis on service at both schools that provided him the foundation needed to consider the needs of others. He also remembers the impact of Brother O'Grady, his 10th grade homeroom teacher. As a shy, reserved sophomore, Brother O'Grady encouraged Vince to run for homeroom president, a gesture that helped to grow Vince's confidence. Still filled with gratitude for Brother O'Grady's support, Vince actually wrote him a thank you letter recently. Upon reflection, he realized it was the quiet confidence he acquired at St. Joseph High School that led him to many successes in his life.

Through Vince's and Duck's hard work and dedication, the Domus Pacis Family Respite was named the Outstanding Nonprofit of the Year in 2011 by the Summit Foundation (Breckenridge, Colorado). As Vince looks to the future, he believes a new calling will soon manifest, and he says he's ready to take on a new challenge. Feeling confident in their nonprofit's success, Vince and Duck are slowly phasing out of their leadership roles in their organization knowing that others will continue to lead Domus Pacis. As a proud member of the Class with Heart, Vince White-Petteruti '69 leads an exemplary life of service to others and shows us the transformative power of listening to one's heart and trusting God's plan.

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Faith

# **Academics Community**

### **OLL Church Re-opens Carefully** with Social Distancing, Changes to **Mass Times**

by Bev Caldwell

Like other Catholic churches in the area, Our Lady of the Lake Parish is carefully following all of the social distancing directives outlined by the Diocese of Cleveland to protect all who worship. OLL Parish cautiously reopened on Monday, May 25 for daily Mass Monday through Thursday at 9am. This daily Mass schedule remains the same. However, beginning the weekend of May 30/31, the parish celebrated Pentecost with a change in Sunday Mass times. The Saturday Mass remains at 4pm and the new Sunday Mass times - going from three to two Massesare 8:30am and 11:00 am.

The Mass times on Sunday were changed to allow plenty of time in between the Masses for sanitization of the church, a necessary step in the Covid -19 crisis.



However, Fr. Joe is hopeful that these new Sunday Mass times will also allow for spiritual gatherings to take place in between the two Masses.

Our Lady of the Lake Parish welcomes all who want to worship donning a mask and adhering to the special seating and traffic flow direction of the ushers at Mass.

### **Celebration Parade Warms Hearts**

On Friday, May 8, the teachers and staff of Our Lady of the Lake battled the cold and snow to show our appreciation for the school community. The teachers and staff spread out in the school parking lot to welcome school families as they drove thru honking horns displaying their love for OLL. Even though we were all spread out, it was still nice to be TOGETHER! What a great community we have!







# **Mass Times** Mon-Thurs 9:00 am Sat 4:00 pm Sun 8:30 am, 11:00 am



### **OLL School Gears** Up for 8th Grade Graduation

Like other schools all over the country, and world for that matter, graduation will be different during this age of social distancing, but that doesnt mean that it won't be meaningful.

Plans for OLL eighth graders include a virtual graduation on Thursday, May 28th and a slide show video including baby pictures with current graduate pictures. The graduation video will premier at 7pm on our YouTube channel, accessible through our website olleuclid.org. In addition, on Friday, May 29th our eighth graders will be able to receive their diplomas with each family having a designated time with a drive thru pick up. There will also be a virtual ice cream party and virtual field day. Congratulations to the very special 8th Grade Class of 2020!

# **May Crowning Service Honors** Mary

by Bev Caldwell

During the month of May we honor Mary, our mother. Even though the students were not in school, we were still able to have a May Crowning service in the virtual form. With the help of students from various grade levels, we recorded a virtual service. The May Crowning can be viewed from our website olleuclid.org.



# Wednesday Liturgy of the Word

by Bev Caldwell

One morning of the week at 9am, OLL staff members provide a morning Liturgy of the Word for those who wish to join them on

Pastoral Associate, Shawn Witmer; Music Minister, Melissa Gali-Bird and Young Adult Minister, Brianna Wilson together provide an enriching word service for those who prefer to worship through Zoom at home

We start with a prayer, followed by a song (pre recorded video with lyrics), the day's Reading, Psalm, and Gospel (with everyone muted). The presider (Shawn or Brianna) says a brief reflection on the readings. Petitions follow then an Our Father, and a closing prayer. The end of the meeting is opened up for the Sign of Peace and conversation. This week we are having non-staff participants read the Reading, Psalm, and Petitions. To join the Zoom meeting please email admin@olleuclid.org.

# Morning Liturgy of the Word

Wednesdays at 9am on ZOOM



Melissa Gali-Bird Music Minister



**Shawn Witmer Pastoral** Associate for **Faith Formation** 



Brianna Wilson **Young Adult** Minister

Join familiar faces for prayer.







# A Parade of Graduates! 6th Grade and Kindergarten Promotions

by Sarah Myers

Imagine Bella had to adjust from the same ceremonies as in years past for Kindergarten and 6th grade promotion, but nothing will stop us from celebrating our students! The school held a car parade for the students with the whole Imagine Bella team standing outside to cheer on the students. Each staff member made personalized signs for each student and received their certificates from their teachers at the end of the parade. Cleveland police and fire department also participated in the parade with lights and

sirens to shout out the students. Check out some of the great photos from our event. We were lucky with lots of sunshine!

To the parents, words are not enough to express our deepest appreciation and gratitude for your continued support and involvement in our school. We have awesome parents!

Congrats to our Imagine Bella students on their promotion!!



Congrats to all the Imagine Bella graduates!



Cleveland Police and Fire joined the parade!



Time to get their certificates from their teachers!

# Reading Fun! + Stay in touch with us all summer with Class Dojo!



Mrs. Davis had fun with a Mary Poppins read aloud with accent to match!



Ms. Hoy took it outside for an Earth Day read aloud!





Families had fun decorating their cars for the parade!



Students were excited to see the Imagine Bella team as they drove through the parade! We were excited to see them too!



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# Celebrating 63 years of Service

Father Francis Walsh celebrated 63 years as a priest on May 18, 2020. Fr. Walsh served as the third Pastor of St. Jerome in the 1970s and 1980s before going to St. Luke in Lakewood. He "retired" in 2013 and shortly after moved back to St. Jerome to help Fr. Cassese who was very ill and then died at the end of the year. Fr. Walsh has stayed ever since helping Fr. Jerse as well as helping out at St. Casimir most weekends. His tireless dedication to the people of St. Jerome is truly a blessing for us.



Through thick and thin, Fr. Walsh has been an incredible blessing to the people of St. Jerome. Congratulations on 63 years of priesthood. God Bless You!

# Deacon Travalik's Corner

Social distancing, wash your hands, wear a mask, don't touch your face, stay at home if you are 65 or older, have someone do your grocery shopping. I'm sure we are all familiar with all of these given to us by the good medical people in an attempt to keep us safe during this pandemic.

The question is, are we following these directives? If not, we are only defeating the purpose. This virus is silent. It can attack if these directives are not followed.

Staying at home all this time is something that many of us may not be familiar with. Maybe it has given us the time to take care of things we may have put off. Going through drawers and closets and finding something that hasn't been seen for 5 years. Separating things to keep, throw away or better yet donate.

It gives us time to work on our Spiritual lives as well. Spending time with our Lord through the Sacred Scriptures or other spiritual readings. Living in this time of the internet we have so many opportunities to see daily Mass via live streaming or search out websites on meditation and prayers.

Now we begin the safe process at St. Jerome to return to church. We will gather and follow the guidelines that we have been given by the diocese to keep everyone safe. We will gather as the body

of Christ as we bring our domestic church to the Parent church. We not only hear the word of God and receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, but we pray for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world, especially those touched by Covid-19.

We also pray for those in the medical field, doctors, nurses, first responders and all those others who have been working to keep us safe during this time of staying at home.

How long will this last? No one can say for sure, only God knows. But we line in Hope and Faith in Him through his son, Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

And as I am always telling my family, friends and parishioners, THIS TOO SHALL PASS.

In Christ,

Deacon Peter Travalik



We are deeply grateful to Deacon Pete for all he's done to keep us going in this difficult time.

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### St. Jerome School

by Kathy Hughes

During the last month of school, teachers and students have been very busy trying to tie up the end of the school year. Communication with our parents and students has been critical throughout these last two months. Teachers were able to stay in communication daily with their students and parents using Google Classroom, Zoom, ClassDojo and Email for instruction and updates. Students also received a card in the mail from their teacher. Many students really enjoyed getting their individual note which made them feel special and missed. Preschool and Kindergarten had an awesome virtual graduation. Eighth grade graduation will be taking place in June in our school parking lot where students will be given a certificate.

Also, during this time of quarantine, St. Jerome students and their families are limited in their options for travel. While many people are spending more time than usual inside their homes, it is still important to stay active! St. Jerome students have been encouraged to get up and move throughout the day, to keep their

bodies and brains actively working and healthy. Ms. Katlyn Spahar, our Physical Education Teacher, planned several activities for students Kindergarten-8th Grade. Students Kindergarten-4th Grade were given options to choose from that included: taking a hike, racing with your family, invent a new game, and to eat 10 vegetables! Ms. Katlyn also joined several Zoom or Google Meet Virtual classes leading the students through pushups, sprints in place, and other exercises. For the older grades 5-8, students were asked to write about what they think it means to be physically fit and to come up with a physical fitness plan and implement it.

This experience has made our teachers, students and parents stronger and has brought our St. Jerome community together.

Mrs. Hughes and Ms. Pastrick



### Welcome Back!

by Adele Market

It's been a long time since we have been together and this will be different, but it's good to be back. It's good to see your eyes and it's good to see your masks because it means you are taking care of yourselves and the people around you. Wearing a mask is a sacrifice for the protection of others. Not being able to sing together is as sacrifice, at least for some of us, being able to pray together again is a great gift. The dispensation from attending Sunday Mass remains in effect for anyone who is at high risk or feels at all sick, even if it's just a cold.

There are restrictions still. We will sit in every third pew. We need to keep proper social distance of six feet between families and household. We won't shake hands or hug each other as a sign of peace. We will go to communion in a single line, six feet apart, almost like a wedding procession. We will

do these things not just because we have been told to, but because we know that it is possible to spread the virus without knowing that you have it. We won't risk each other's health.

Tentatively, we will celebrate Mass at 8:30 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday as well as 4 pm on Saturday and 10 am on Sunday to allow the church to be cleaned and sanitized between services. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment. Please call the church office at 216-481-8200 to make arrangements.

Like many other events, our annual Parish Picnic is canceled. We hope to be able to hold the Clambake in the fall.

Your prayers, contributions, calls and devotion through this stressful time are deeply appreciated.

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### **Hunger Center Stocking Up**

by Rev. Ron Rollins

The CCC3 Hunger Center in Collinwood is poised to meet the needs of hungry families. With deliveries now being made to the Center, the shelves are getting back to being fully stocked.

The Center is not yet open as it is still working through the details of the appropriate protocol to fully re-open. "We want to make sure that we have considered every precaution both for the families we serve and the volunteer staff working at the Hunger Center. Until then, we will remain closed to the normal 'full service' that we provide. However, if there is an immediate need, we want to do everything within our power to meet the need."

If you or someone you know is in need of food please contact St. John Nottingham Lutheran Church directly and ask for either Pastor Marcis or Pastor Rollins. They are both eager and willing to help. The church number is 216.531.1156. For more information on the Hunger Center please visit the SJN Church website www. stjohnnottingham.org

### Cleveland Plogs returns in June on Waterloo!

by Stephen Love Hey neighbors!

Cleveland Plogs is excited to announce the return of our monthly group plogging events (with necessary precautions in place)! Our first plogging of the season will take place Wednesday June 24th at 6pm on Waterloo Rd. Ploggers will clean Waterloo Rd. and surrounding streets before wrapping up around 730pm. We will be set up at the Waterloo Tower (15600 Waterloo Rd) with bags, gloves and hand sanitizer. in order for everyone to keep their distance, groups of 1-2 people will be heading out on different routes. Masks are encouraged when meeting to pick up supplies. Once everyone has picked up trash on their route, we'll meet back at the Waterloo Tower for a socially distant but fun plogging photo. We hope to see you

We're also excited to announce the winner of our cleplogsolo contest is fellow plogger Emily Martis! Congratulations and you're \$15 Six Shooter Gift Card is on the way! Thanks to all of our fellow ploggers who posted selfies all last month. Even though the contest is over, it doesn't mean solo plogging has to stop. Keep it up and just add a grocery bag or bucket to pick up litter during your next walk or run around Collinwood and keep the #cleplogsolo hashtag alive!



Please plog responsibly. Wear protective gloves when picking up litter and bring along hand sanitizer. Please wash your hands with soap and water at least 20 seconds when you are done. If you are plogging in a more crowded area, please consider wearing a mask or form of personal protective equipment.

Need a plogging refresher? Plogging is a fitness and litter cleanup craze from Sweden that is quickly spreading throughout the world and right here in Collinwood. Plogging involves a combination of jogging and picking up trash along your running route using a small bag to collect the litter you find along your route. Plogging

is great exercise and a great opportunity to meet new people and make a positive impact on our environment and our neighborhood! Check out - City Lab - Pick Up Trash While You Exercise. It's Called Plogging https://goo.gl/xRFVRc

You can check out our 2020 schedule and meet up locations below or on facebook.

Cleveland Plogs 2020 Schedule (tentative): July through October the last Wednesdsay of the month

June 24th - Waterloo Rd. - Meet at the Waterloo Tower - 15600 Waterloo Rd.

### The Season of Pentecost

By Rev. Ron Rollins

Pentecost in the Old Testament was one of the Jewish feast days. However, the Jews called it the Feast of Harvest or the Feast of Weeks, not Pentecost. It was the celebration of the beginning of the early weeks of harvest. There were two such harvests each year. The early harvest came during the months of May and June; the final harvest came in the Fall. Pentecost was the celebration of the beginning of the early wheat harvest, which meant that Pentecost always fell sometime during the middle of the month of May or sometimes in early June

Why is Pentecost Significant to Christians? Modern Christians observe Pentecost as a holiday, not to celebrate a wheat harvest, but to remember when the Holy Spirit 'fired up' the Church in the Book of Acts and filled the Church with power resulting in the adding of 3,000 new believers.

This historical account reports that, after Jesus ascended in to heaven, Jesus' followers were gathered together for the Feast of Harvest (aka Pentecost), and the Holy Spirit "filled the whole house where they were sitting... All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them". This strange occurrence drew a large crowd, and Peter stood up to speak to them about repentance and the gospel of Christ. By the end of that day the Holy Spirit came and the Church grew by 3,000 people. This is why Christians still celebrate Pentecost giving glory to God for the powerful work of the Spirit.

The Holy Spirit was prophesied in the Old Testament and promised by Jesus. "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you."

This New Testament event is also significant because it fulfills an Old Testament prophecy in the Book of the prophet Joel: "And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days."

Pentecost in the time of the Apostles was a great and grand harvest celebration. The streets of Jerusalem were clogged with thousands of pilgrims who had come from every point on the compass to celebrate the goodness of God and the bringing in of the wheat harvest. But ultimately, the coming of the promised Holy Spirit that first Pentecost birthed Christ's church which still stands today and shall stand forever.

The season of Pentecost is a season of growth. It's the time of the Holy Spirit working in the lives of Christians as they grow in their faith. What's the best way to grow in the wisdom of the Lord? Be in His Word.. Holy Scripture.. the Bible.

For more information about Pentecost, the Seasons of the Church Year, or to grow in the faith, visit the St John Nottingham website at: www.stjohnnottingham.org

### 2020 Census and You

by Greater Collinwood Development

Taking the US Census has never been easier, faster or more secure than it is today. Offered in 59 languages, 13 offered online, the US Census is an important count of every person living in all 50 states, D.C, and five US territories.

The Census helps to paint a picture of our nation and determines how government resources are allocated locally. In other words, the US Census not only impacts Ohio and Cleveland; the US Census impacts Collinwood.

More than \$675 billion in federal funding will be spent according to US Census response, for schools, roads and other public services for communities across the nation. The Census also determines where congressional districts are drawn and the number of seats Ohio will have in Congress, as well as representation in US government at all levels. It is an opportunity for Collinwood to be heard.

Occuring once every 10 years, results from the Census have a lasting impact on communities. It is important that

What does this mean for Ohio?



head-of-households count every person of all ages in the home as of April 1, children and those recently moved included. Your personal information on the Census is confidential, and federal law protects your responses. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics and legally cannot be used against you by any government agency or court.

For more information about how your response is counted, please visit Complete Count CLE - What Is The Census? To complete the 2020 Census online, please visit https://my2020census.gov/ today!

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## One Million Acts of Kindness Duo Stops by to Thank Hospice Staff

by Laurie Henrichsen

Lakewood resident Bob Votruba and his dog Bogart are on a mission to spread joy throughout the area through their organization, One Million Acts of Kindness. Recently, they visited David Simpson Hospice House and Hospice of the Western Reserve Headquarters in Collinwood to thank staff for providing compassionate care during the COVID-19 crisis in our community.

Votruba began the organization with the personal goal of performing one million acts of kindness during his lifetime. "A goal for each person to individually perform one million acts of kindness in their life – can you imagine a greater goal for one's life?" he enquires on the organization's website. "It is a constant mind-set of kindness every day of your life for the next fifty-five years. Doing for others and kindness in your heart for everyone. It is my wish that you will dedicate your life to a charity... finding the passion in your heart for something or someone in need."

A big "thank you" to Bob and Bogart for lifting spirits and brightening everyone's day! You can follow Bob's and Bogart's travels and their many acts of kindness on Eachbol.



# Fresh Cut will do an Excellent Job Maintaining your Yard

by John Copic

I have been a happy customer of Fresh Cut for many years. Greg and his professional crew always perform above and beyond. My grass never gets too long. The edges are perfect. The crew is polite and cleans up everything before they leave.

Fresh Cut is available for commercial and residential. They are famous for their Senior Citizen Discounts. He also plows my snow all winter.

Give Greg a call at 216.376.8485 and tell

### Tri-C Announces Full Tuition Assistance Program in Light of Covid-19

by Greater Collinwood Development

Cuyahoga County Community College recently announce a Full Tuition Assistance Program in a push to reskill during Covid-19. The assistance program will offset academic and training costs for Cuyahoga County residents and aims to create access to academic credit courses and workforce training programs.

The Full Tuition Assistance Program can be used as a "last-dollar" scholarship to cover out-of-pocket expenses after eligibility for Pell grant and other financial aid is determined. Prioritized groups for the financial aid program include those impacted by Covid-19 and/or those who had planned to enroll or are currently enrolled at a four-year college or university:

Unemployed individuals who lost employment and/or income due to Covid-19 and are seeking a short-term credential, advanced training or a degree to increase their employability

Graduating high school students who planned to attend a four-year college or university this fall but have to reconsider due to financial hardship

Current college students who are or were enrolled at a four-year college and can't afford to return, but want to continue their education

For more information, please visit Tri-C's website at www.tri-c.edu

### West Side Catholic Center Resumes Workforce Programs

by Greater Collinwood Development

West Side Catholic Workforce Development Center announced this week that in-person training programs will resume Tuesday, May 26th. The eight-week guaranteed job offer program will begin with in-person learning following state guidelines on public health.

The newly renovated Workforce Development building located at 3135 Lorain Avenue includes two additional classrooms. Classes run from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM with breakfast and lunch and childcare assistance provided.

Additional classes start June 29, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26 and November 23. Masks will be provided to the job seeker (if needed), temperatures will be taken upon entry, and a medical check-in will be shared. Virtual learning and interviewing will be incorporated.

Class size will be limited to keep social distancing possible. For more information please click here or to reserve your spot, please contact Frank Johanek at 216-631-4741 ext. 167 or email fjohanek@wsccenter.org.

# El Barrio Offers Free Virtual Workforce Training Programs

by Greater Collinwood Development

El Barrio Workforce Development Center now offers free training programs online to anyone 18+, no high school diploma required. The virtual preparation services are felony-friendly and help individuals seeking employment find meaningful careers in 5 specialized tracks.

Open enrollment for the four-week virtual training courses occur every two weeks, and open information sessions occur every Friday (attendance required for course registration). El Barrio Workforce Development Center offers third-party industry certifications, connections with more than 100 corporate partners and many opportunities to meet with hiring managers at job fairs and hiring events in virtual classrooms.

El Barrio also offers supportive services for 6 months following employment. Training tracks include: Pharmacy Technician, Child Development Associate, Customer Service (Banking, Call Center, Retail),



Hotel and Guest Services, and General Job Readiness in English and Spanish.

The online training courses also develop soft skills in job search and professional development, resume writing, interviewing, financial literacy and job search techniques and strategies.

For more information and to register for an open information session, please call 216-325-WORK or visit https://thecentersohio.org/services/training-and-jobsearch/.

## Cleveland Clinic Euclid Hospital, Others, Receive A's in latest Leapfrog Group Safety Grade

by Ellie Westerburg

Cleveland Clinic Euclid Hospital was awarded an 'A' in the spring 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing achievements protecting patients from harm and providing safer health care. Other east side Cleveland Clinic hospitals receiving A grades include Main Campus, Hillcrest, South Pointe and Marymount Hospitals.

Patient safety is a priority at Cleveland Clinic. These grades match the hospital system's best performance, with 11 Cleveland Clinic hospitals, in addition to Ashtabula County Medical Center, achieving an 'A' grade.

Leapfrog Group releases the semi-annual safety grades associated with patient safety performance and practices.



# We Can Code It Offers Free Digital Training During Covid-19

We Can Code It certified coding bootcamp is now offering free web development online training for beginners during Covid-19. The remote training module aims to assist individuals begin training for new jobs in information technology.

IT is one of three fastest-growing industries for Cleveland. We Can Code It aims to bridge the skills gap in IT, bring diversity to the talent pool and build equity in the industry through an immersive 14-week bootcamp with a 94% job placement rate upon graduation.

The free online training class serves as an introduction to web development and We Can Code It course offerings. Grant assistance for the 14-week bootcamp course is also available for Covid-19 and low-income applicants, as well as diversity grants and scholarships.

For more information about the free web development training course, please visit We Can Code It at https://wecancodeit.org/.

### Cleveland Clinic to Host Virtual Job Fair Through May

by Greater Collinwood Development Cleveland Clinic announced a virtual job fair for entry-level positions in healthcare that runs through the month of May. Interested candidates can sign up for a "Cleveland Clinic in the Community" one-on-one session to ask questions about available positions and about the application process.

The career fair is hosted through a textbased chat. Candidates can register for a chat session from their mobile, tablet or desktop device. Cleveland Clinic representatives will field inquires and assist participants in applying for entry-level opportunities. Cleveland Clinic virtual career fair will be hosted Tuesday, May 26th and Tuesday, June 2nd, 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. To learn more and to register for the event, please visit Cleveland Clinic career site at https://jobs.clevelandclinic.org/.



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# GCDC Invites Collinwood to Take Community Listening Survey

by Greater Collinwood Development Greater Collinwood Development Corporation invites Collinwood neighbors and stakeholders to participate in a Community Listening Survey online. The survey seeks input from members of the Collinwood community regarding the community's thoughts and ideas for neighborhood growth.

The Community Listening Survey asks members within GCDC geographic footprint to share their thoughts and ideas. These areas include: Collinwood Village, Euclid Green, Glenville-East, Northshore and Nottingham Village.

Answers will be reported out anonymously and collectively. GCDC is asking that neighbors share the online survey digitally with Collinwood neighborhood groups and associations.

GCDC thanks you in advance for your input. Find the Community Listening Survey here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JS29XB3.

### **ODJFS Announces P-EBT Benefits** For Families Of K-12

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services recently announced a temporary expansion of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to families with children in kindergarten through grade twelve. The one-time Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) is available to families that have been eligible for free or reduce-priced meals, for each day Ohio schools have been closed.

Each child is eligible for \$5.70 a day for the months of March and April. The total amount for March will be \$302.10, and the total amount for April will be \$239.40. P-EBT benefits are a one-time payment.

Current SNAP households will receive the additional benefits on their current Ohio Direction Card by the end of May 2020. Non-SNAP households will receive a P-EBT



card for each eligible child by mail. No application is necessary, and benefits will automatically apply.

For general program information or questions about benefits, please contact the ODJFS customer service line at 1-866-244-0071. Please contact your local school district to find out if your child was eligible for free or reduce-priced meals on or before April 29, 2020.

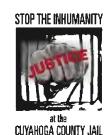
# Jail Coalition Announces Paid Fellowship Opportunity

Stop the Inhumanity at the Cuyahoga County Jail Coalition recently announced a paid fellowship opportunity to help bring justice to those impacted by the Cuyahoga County Jail. The Jail Coalition includes 19 grassroots organizations and formed in December 2018 in response to eight reported deaths inside the Cuyahoga County Jail over six months.

Fellows will be focused on community outreach and engagement, volunteer recruitment, leadership, team formation, and campaign tactics. During Covid-19 crisis, these activities will take place online and over the phone.

The fellowship is available only to formerly incarcerated people or their loved ones. The purpose of the fellowship is to support the leadership of those who are most impacted by incarceration and to help build power for the communities most targeted by the criminal justice system.

Fellows are expected to commit to the program for 5 months, from June 15th -



November 15th. Fellows will also participate in weekly virtual check-ins with a lead organizer, devote 20 hours a week to the role, and exhibit a serious passion for equity and justice.

Fellows will receive \$1,500/month stipend while building relationships and a professional network with advocates and activists in Cleveland. Fellows will receive training, coaching and mentorship in grassroots organizing skills.

For more information and for details about how to apply, please see the official announcement at https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dMVwFvFud6yjAODLXiIjHXGCX6UktCBRwHDCWypfl-M/edit.

# **CPR Launches Cleveland Recovers Community Hub**

# MUTUAL AID & COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR NEO

Cleveland Pandemic Response (CPR) recently launched Cleveland Recovers mutual aid community hub to help to bridge gaps in need for Clevelanders affected by Covid-19 outbreak. The Cleveland Recovers hub connects individuals seeking assistance with those able to provide assistance.

Cleveland Recovers hub is designed to facilitate community preparedness and recovery. Individuals can request help or sign up to donate or volunteer. Local organizations can also sign up to provide donations or volunteer service via hub portal.

CPR formed as a volunteer group of organizers and community members to address the collective needs of the Cleveland community and aims to provide mutual aid and support to Northeast Ohio residents during Covid-19 pandemic. The approach offers a grassroots response to needs-exchange that empowers and builds leadership at the ground level. CPR arises from the idea that community members and organizations

can come together to support each other, with people voluntarily offering and asking for support rather than a top-down charity approach.

CPR's public Facebook page is used to share needs from the community hub, deliver news updates and provide other national and local resources regarding Covid-19. CPR's Instagram page is a space for inspiration and learning with a focus on mutual aid and grassroots theories, as well as positive announcements and requests. CPR's Twitter page serves to share news and information from the Governor, health organizations, community organizations and other mutual aid projects.

For more information about Cleveland Recovers community hub, please visit: https://cleveland.recovers.org/.

# Legal Aid's Response to COVID19: Full Services Available + New Resource

by Danilo Powell-Lima

The COVID-19 pandemic has not only threatened the health of our community, but it has also magnified the needs of Northeast Ohio's most vulnerable residents. As a growing number of people struggled to secure basic needs such as shelter, income, and safety, The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland mobilized its resources to continue fully serving Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain, and Geauga counties. Since March 14th, Legal Aid attorneys have been working with clients remotely through emails, texts, phone calls, and video calls.

When Governor Mark DeWine closed all nonessential businesses in response to CO-VID19, many low-income workers faced layoffs, furloughs, or reduced hours. Legal Aid developed new supports for those affected.

On April 9th, Legal Aid launched the Worker Information Line, which provides clear, direct answers to questions about work or unemployment benefits. Those with questions can call at any time and leave a message clearly stating their name, phone number, and a brief description of their question. A Legal Aid staff member will return the call between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Calls are re-

turned within 1-2 business days. Cuyahoga County residents should call 216-861-5899; Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga, and Lorain County residents should call 440-210-4532.

Legal Aid's long-standing Tenant Information Line remains available to answer housing questions for renters who have questions about their responsibilities during this time. Cuyahoga County tenants can call 216-861-5955; Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga, and Lorain tenants can call 440-210-4533. As with the Worker Information Line, tenants should clearly provide their name, phone number, and description of their question, and can expect an answer within 1-2 busi-

ness days.

Despite the closure of in-person applications for service, Legal Aid remains open to new clients through 24/7 online in-take, available at lasclev.org/contact/.

Legal Aid's phone lines have also remained open. Those interested can call (toll-free) 888-817-3777 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the lines are available from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. For those unable to communicate fluently in English, lasclev.org/contact/ has information about calling Legal Aid in a number of languages, including Spanish, Arabic, and Mandarin.

# **OPINION**

## What is happening to our civil liberties during the coronavirus?

by Jeanne Coppola

The novel 1984, by George Orwell is about a government that totally controls every part of a person's life. Is this what is suddenly happening, here in America, with the coronavirus scare? Why are politicians telling us what to do, and forbidding us to go to work and go outside, because of a coronavirus that the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) says is contagious, while the news gives us conflicting information about wearing masks and social distancing. Is 1984 finally here, thirty six years later?

In Ohio, Governor, Mike DeWine and Ohio Department of Health director, Amy Acton, have ordered us to stay at home, since March 23rd. They decided what businesses were essential and could remain open, and what businesses had to close. Many Ohioans had no jobs and no income in March, April and May. People all across America lost their ability to support their families because of similar "stay at home orders." Only people with specific types of jobs, like white collar workers, were able to work at home. This prevented blue collar workers from having their jobs.

The stay at home order is destroying America. Children had no lunches at school, and could not learn at home, if they had no computer. It forced people out of work, and businesses into bankruptcy. People could not pay their rent or car payments. People with no car, had no way to pick up groceries in a drive-through.

The government's unemployment website did not work, and the government did not send unemployment payments to those of us who were able to apply.

But DeWine and Acton did not stop working, or stay at home. They gave news conferences and had a salary. The other state governors did not lose their jobs, either

This month, in May, Governor DeWine started relaxing some restrictions, so businesses could start to re-open, but he says we still have stay at home. He calls it "Stay Safe Ohio."

The CDC said the reason to stay at home is to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, but people in New York, who stayed at home, are still getting the virus.

In May, almost two months after the stay at home orders were implemented, Governor, Andrew Cuomo said that the majority of new coronavirus hospitalizations were from people did not go outside.

If staying at home did not prevent people from getting the virus, why were we ordered to stay at home?

We also have to wear masks when we go outside in public places, but the CDC gave

us conflicting information on the necessity of wearing them. First they told us not to wear masks, and then they told us to wear masks. They said the masks would prevent us from catching the virus from someone, and later said the masks would prevent us from transmitting the virus to someone. Which statement is true?

The CDC says the coronavirus only travels six feet in the air, so grocery stores have plastic shields by cash registers, and six feet markers on the floor, for customers. But according to the CDC's reasoning, if the virus can travel six feet, wouldn't it be able to move over the top of the plastic shield, unless the shield is six feet high!

How does social distancing do us any good when other people walk through that six feet of air space when walking up in line? Doesn't air move when there is motion? Isn't the air in motion throughout the store, especially when we enter and exit, while opening and closing doors? Is social distancing realistic, when we go outdoors, where there is a lot of wind and air current?

The CDC says the virus is in droplets, but some experts say the droplets can be in smaller particles, called aerosols that linger in the air.

Can a cloth mask stop a microscopic virus? Don't masks have to be made from certain breathable materials specifically made for that purpose? Won't the moisture from our breath, in the cloth mask, trap the virus and other germs more easily?

The CDC also said not to put a mask on a child under 2 years old, because it makes it hard to breathe and the child could die. Couldn't masks make breathing more difficult for people with asthma and COPD? What if we have allergies, and have to adjust the mask while trying to breathe? Can the droplets or aerosols leak around the edges of a cloth mask, when the wearer breathes, if the mask does not have a tight fit?

Why does the CDC recommend wearing cloth masks, and not specify the weave size that is needed to prevent the virus from passing through? If the coronavirus is causing a worldwide pandemic, shouldn't the CDC give us better specifications on what type of fabric and weave to use in the mask, and not leave up it to us to use a T-shirt or bed sheet or sock?

Why has everything the CDC recommended for us to use (masks, and bleach and alcohol for disinfecting) suddenly become scarce? Why are some food purchases being limited, also? If masks are so scarce, why did masks, in all shapes and colors, become available on the internet, with no regard to fabric and weave?

I wonder if the "new normal" of wearing masks in public, because of the coronavirus, is just the first in a cascade in the loss of our personal civil liberties that will slowly be imposed on us. Like our loss of our privacy, and our right to go out when and where we want.

The CDC says contact tracing is important to find out who infected someone. But how this is of any use, when there is no way to find out if someone has the virus, but has no symptoms, and passes it on to someone else, or where they went.

Contact tracers are supposed to start calling us (to find out who we had contact with), and the Ohio Investigative Unit will have undercover agents watching us in public places to enforce social distancing.

Contract tracing could also include monitoring credit card statements, to see where we went shopping, and what we bought. This is an invasion of privacy because lots of people are shopping online, and staying at home, but their personal business will still be monitored.

Politicians are infringing on our rights to make our own decisions. Posts on the internet are being monitored and taken down if they have an opinion different than the CDC guidelines. The government is taking away our freedom of expression and our right to think for ourselves.

Why do the death toll numbers from the CDC have discrepancies? Why have news reports claimed that death toll numbers from the coronavirus were not accurate?

Why has the nightly news just focused on the virus, and nothing else? Why did all the other news stopped? Why did the news about the virus change every day, before the stores were allowed to reopen?

These are some of the things I heard on the news, that I have questions about, that never seem to be answered.

An antibody treatment that seems to work, but does not get any more news coverage. (There were stories of people who were helped by donated antibodies. So why aren't antibody treatments being done?) A malaria drug that might work. (But how can a drug for malaria which is caused by a parasite, work on a virus?) The difficulty in getting a vaccine. (Aren't vaccines made from dead viruses? If vaccines are so hard to make, how do they make a flu vaccine every year, when the flu virus mutates? Do people who have antibodies have to get vaccinated?) The false hope of unemployment checks and stimulus checks, for people who do not receive them. (What happened to all the unemployment payments people were supposed to get? Promising something then not delivering is a form of manipulaIf the virus is so contagious, why did President Donald Trump stand next to someone with the virus, but did not get it himself. Why did his valet get the virus, but he did not get it. Although everyone is supposed to wear a mask, he did not wear one. (What happened to his valet?) Why does the CDC keep changing its story about the virus? The CDC says that the corona virus is a respiratory disease that targets older people. But now they say it is affecting children with rashes and internal inflammation. How can a respiratory virus cause rashes and inflammation in children? Could there be more than one virus?

Did the flu disappear this year? Where are the flu numbers?

During the beginning of the pandemic, why did the TV stations have normal programs all day long, like nothing was happening? Then when the evening news came on, they only talked about the corona virus. This does not seem like a realistic way things would be done during a pandemic.

Staying at home and social distancing is forcing us into an abnormal way of living. It is isolating us in our homes. Is it also changing how we behave toward other people in public? The government's use of social isolation and peer pressure (using the phrase "we are all in this together") is controlling us.

The politicians are making decisions about who can work, and who cannot. Their decisions are favoring the more affluent, and choosing among us which person is essential, and whose job is essential.

A few people do not have the right to control all of us! If this coronavirus pandemic is such a dire health situation, why did House Speaker Nancy Pelosi form a committee to monitor where the \$2 trillion dollars in stimulus money was really going, instead of researching the virus? Did her committee ever find out where all that stimulus money went? Why is Pelosi talking about a new \$3 trillion dollar relief bill? Where is all this money coming from, and where is it all going?

Why aren't the people in America getting help from this money? The \$1,200 stimulus payment we received was not enough money for anyone to pay two months' worth of bills. Is this whole thing politically motivated?

In a period of a little over two months, America, as I knew it, has changed into a dictatorship. Or was it there all along, just waiting for the right moment to emerge, while pretending to be a free country?

# Bike Cleveland Launches Bike Match Program



Bike Cleveland announced this week a Bike Match program that connects individuals who need bikes with those who have functional bikes to donate. Using an online platform, interested individuals can request a bicycle or donate a ready-to-ride, functional bicycle by filling out a simple form.

The Bike Match program aims to improve mobility in Cleveland and works as an added layer to existing modes of transportation, including first-mile/last-mile options for public transit.

The tool will also give those needing to make necessary trips the freedom to move around the city autonomously, without relying on public transportation during Covid-19 and avoiding the impact of reduced transit services.

For more information, Bike Match FAQs and to register for the program, please visit BikeCleveland.org/BikeMatch.

# **ENTERTAINMENT**

### The Wrong Missy



by Brian Friedman

Lauren Lapkus brings all of the kooky to this paint-by-numbers romantic comedy. This movie is streaming on Netflix which is perfect since it did not deserve a theatrical release. While the plot is obvious throughout, the fresh set-ups and laughs justify a viewing. Grade? B minus (barely).

### Never Have I Ever: Series Review



by Brian Friedman

High school dramedy about a girl recovering from the trauma of witnessing the death of her father. Streaming over 10 episodes on Netflix, breakout roles abound for this bright cast. Some fantastic and hilarious dialogue make this series shine beyond the abundance of high school shows. Grade: B Plus



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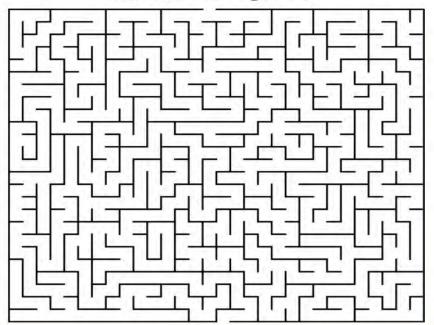
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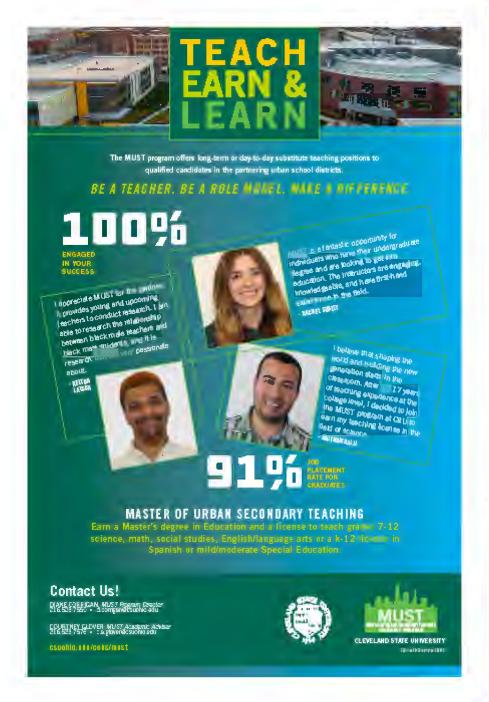
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