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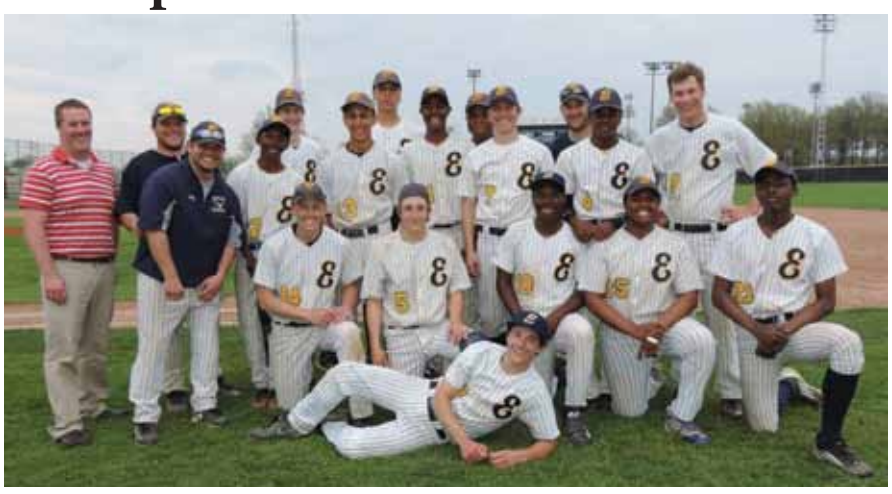
Euclid Baseball Repeats as LEL Champs



by Dave Sprrochi

The Euclid Baseball Team delivered Head Coach Brian Leroy and his Staff, thier second straight Lake Erie League Championship. Overall, they were 15-9 and 11-1 in the LEL. Seniors that will really be missed next Season are: Cam Fuller; Sean Ott; Keandre Tidmore; Sean Stanko; Kelly Picket; Jordan Wheeler; and Larry Hopgood.

Piotrkowski & Roth Engagement

by Nicole Musgrave

After the June 26th Lorine Chia concert event, a local couple got engaged on Sims Park Fishing Pier and the entire event was captured by City of Euclid staff unbeknowst to the lovebirds. A family member close to the couple informed city staff of the impending proposal just minutes before it was to occur. City staff sprinted down the hill, arriving just in time to capture the moment a series of breathtaking photohraphs.

Sincerest congratulations to Bob Piotrkowski and Justine Roth on your recent engagment!

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You better cut the pizza into four pieces because I'm not hungry enough to eat six.
- Yogi Berra

From the desk of Mayor Bill Cervenik

Dear Friends:

Summer is my favorite time of the year. It is a season of enjoying warm weather, beautiful flowers, fresh fruit and chats with our neighbors. After our long harsh winter, it feels great to be outdoors!

In Euclid, we have several ways for you to enjoy the fun, beauty and peacefulness of summer. This month you have an opportunity to walk through some of the most beautifully, well landscaped homes in the area. The Euclid Pond & Garden Tour, presented by the Euclid Shade Tree Commission, is an event you will not want to miss. The Twilight Tour, on Saturday July 19th from 6pm-10pm, features superb gardens with lighting carefully integrated into the landscaping. The day tour is on Sunday, July, 20th from 1pm-6pm. Prices for the event are $5.00 for the self-guided tour. Tickets can be purchased at Euclid City Hall, Briardale Greens Golf Course, Shore Cultural Centre or Lakeshore Coffee House. For more information call 216-289-8598 or go to www.cityofeuclid.com

Summertime means baseball and for those who enjoy the game, The Continental Cup will be held in Memorial Park on July 3rd - 5th. In this tournament the participating youth athletes have a chance to play competitive baseball against some of the top teams from across the United States and around the world. Another exciting youth baseball tournament with national and international competition is The Continental Amateur Baseball Association (CABA) which will be held in Memorial Park July 17th – 25th.

Don't forget our monthly Music & Munchies summer concert will be held on Thursday, July 31st at 6pm in Sims Park. Bring your blanket or lawn chair. The featured food trucks on hand will be Nosh Box and MotorMouth.

The season comes and goes quickly. Take time to relax and enjoy the simple beauty of nature.

Mayor Bill Cervenik

Ask An Officer

by Kate McLaughlin

Question: I watch two cars pull up in opposite direction on my street and make a hand-to-hand transaction and then drive away. It must be drugs and it seems to be happening a lot lately. How can the police stop this drug activity?

Answer from Captain Scott Meyer, Narcotics and Vice Unit: This behavior that you are reporting sounds highly indicative of illegal drug transactions. In order to assist the Euclid Police in curbing this type of activity, here is what I recommend to those citizens witnessing this type of activity.

When you see this type of activity occurring, while it is happening, contact Euclid Police Dispatch at 216-731-1234 and report it. If you are able to, note the license plate(s), and more importantly vehicle description(s). DO NOT CONFRONT THE PARTIES. These transactions will occur quickly. Report to the dispatcher the direction of travel as the vehicles leave the area. This will assist Euclid Police in making traffic stops on these vehicles.

As I said, these transactions occur quickly. The period of time prior to the transaction can however last for some time, with one of the parties (usually the buyer) sitting, parked on the street waiting for the other party (usually the seller) to arrive. When you observe occupied vehicles parked on the street with no apparent purpose, contact Euclid Police Dispatch at 216-731-1234 to have a police unit respond and check on the occupant(s) of said vehicles.

Additionally, citizens are encouraged to contact Euclid Police Department, Narcotics and Vice Unit at 216-289-8512 with information about drug activity. This can be done discretely and/or anonymously. However, crimes in progress should be reported to 216-731-1234, so that a marked police unit can respond. The marked unit will then contact the Narcotics and Vice Unit with the information and /or any necessary follow-up.

The sad fact is that this area of Northeast Ohio is in the midst of a heroin epidemic. The majority of those who sell and purchase in the City of Euclid are known to police. They have been and will continue to be arrested and charged with Felony and Misdemeanor offenses, in a revolving process. Unfortunately, where there is high demand, there will always be supply.

It is important for the citizens of Euclid to understand that the Euclid Police Department is committed to combating drug sales and use. Many of our efforts are conducted in an obvious marked police capacity. Many others are done in an undercover capacity. Drug traffickers and users should be very leery about who they are dealing with and/or who may be watching them. Either way, we do need our citizens' help in this fight.

If you would like to submit a question to Ask An Officer, contact Community Policing at the Euclid Police Department: email kmclaughlin@cityofeuclid.com or call 216-289-8449.www.helpfoundationinc.org

Euclid Resident Opens CruiseOne Franchise

by Jessica Gerich

Sara Bitzer, a travel consultant based in Euclid, has recently become a CruiseOne® Franchise Owner. But don't let that name fool you! CruiseOne specializes in cruise AND land destinations around the world.

"As a travel consultant and CruiseOne franchise owner I help people take the vacation they've been dreaming about but never thought they could afford" said Bitzer. "It's my goal to help families make memories that will last a lifetime – staying within their budget! All while building relationships so my clients trust me enough to allow me the opportunity to help them plan their vacations time and time again."

As a franchise owner, Bitzer is now part of the nation's top travel retail network and has access to CruiseOne's incredible buying power, resulting in exceptional low prices and exclusive offers such as upgrades, discounts and more. Her clients will receive experienced and personalized assistance in selecting cruise and resort vacation packages for independent travelers as well as groups ranging from family reunions at sea to corporate meetings and ship charters.

Sara Bitzer and Associates provides personalized service, walking clients step-by-step through the entire booking and planning process, from selecting destinations and excursions based on clients' interests to providing packing lists and enhancing memorable vacation moments. Hours of operation are Mondays through Fridays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with evening hours on Wednesdays.

For more information or to book a dream vacation, please call 216-503-1413 locally or toll-free at 855-SBitzer, or visit www.CruiseWithSara.com.

Dr. Paul Infield Earns Designation of Certified Chiropractic Sports Physician

by Kristen Infield

Dr. Paul Infield of Infield Chiropractic has earned the postgraduate designation of Certified Chiropractic Sport Physician® (CCSP®) from the American Chiropractic Board of Sports Physicians™. Dr. Infield completed over 100 hours of instruction followed by successful completion of a comprehensive written examination to earn his CCSP®. The coursework and instruction encompass a focus in treating and evaluating injuries from sports and athletics, emergency procedures, injury prevention, as well as physical fitness.

The CCSP® accreditation exists to provide a uniform standard of education that assures teams and athletes the doctor has met a level of competency in chiropractic sports medicine. It is internationally recognized as a higher standard of care for sports medicine. Chiropractors with the CCSP® designation are certified to care for athletes in school, professional, and Olympic sports in addition to functioning as team physicians. Dr. Paul Infield joins over 5,400 doctors worldwide with the board certified CCSP® accreditation. Dr. Paul Infield is one of only two Doctors with the CCSP® in Cuyahoga County.

"I am honored to join the ranks of the CCSP® certification. I work with a lot of young athletes in my office and am proud to be able to accurately diagnose and treat conditions caused by sports injuries. This distinction has been an investment back into the community. It ensures the parents of Euclid and surrounding communities that I am continuing to provide the best and up to date care for their student athletes. I will always continue to increase my knowledge base and skill set in ways that will allow me to provide superior care for my patients and their families."

If you are interested in having your sports event covered, please contact Dr. Paul Infield at 216-938-7889 or email him at drpaul@infieldchiropracticclininc.com.

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Moore Counseling & Mediation Services, Inc. CEU & RCH Workshops

by by Martina Moore, ABD, MA, LPC, LICDC-CS, CEAP, SAP

Basic Motivational Interviewing
(3.0 Hours)
July 18, 2014 (Friday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Cost $45.00

This workshop teaches the concepts of Motivational Interviewing (MI) and the Transtheoretical Model of Change, their relationship to each other, and their usefulness in Clinical practice. This training is for practicing counselors and other professionals in substance abuse treatment settings and mental health counselors. This experiential workshop gives participants an opportunity to work with Stages of Change and apply motivational strategies. The hands-on approach helps participants put the material into use with clients.

Advanced Motivational Interviewing
(3.0 Hours)
August 1, 2014 (Friday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Cost: $45.00

This workshop will focus on the advanced fundamentals of Motivational Interviewing including: Screening tools for measuring the clients' level of motivation, interventions to assist with helping clients to move through the stages of change, how to illicit change talk with a client, and how to help clients sustain change talk.

All workshops are presented at our main campus located at 22639 Euclid Avenue, Euclid, Ohio 44117.

Please call our Professional Development Department at (216) 486-1900 to register or for more information.

Legally Speaking® Landlord's Legal Duty

by by J. Norman Stark

The legal duty a landlord owes to persons on the landlord's property depends upon whether that person's status is that of a guest, invitee, licensee, or merely a trespasser.

Guests are persons invited by the owner. Invitees are those who rightfully enter upon the property by invitation, for some purpose which is of benefit to the owner, such as a repair person, or meter reader. Licensees include those persons who enter the premises with the owner's permission for purposes beneficial to the licensee, and not the owner. A door-to-door salesperson may be a licensee.

By contrast to all others, a trespasser is one who enters onto or into property without invitation consent, or permission, purely for his or her own purposes, benefit, or convenience. For example – a thief!

While landlords owe no duty to guests, invitees, licensees, or even to trespassers, except to avoid willful and wanton conduct that is likely to injure them, all classes of visitors to property are owed the exercise of ordinary care to protect them by maintaining the premises in a clean and safe condition. Municipal Building and Housing codes are used to enforce such duties by owners, as well as by tenants.

The basic laws of premises liability, recently stated by the Ohio Supreme Court, held: "...[a] landlord owes the same duties to persons lawfully on the leased premises as the landlord owes to the tenant." This is a good rule to remember, and to observe, in order to minimize risk and liability.

Consult experienced legal Counsel for advice regarding the laws of premises liability.

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VASJ again sends 100% of graduates to college

For the third consecutive year, 100 percent of VASJ's graduating seniors are heading to college. The accomplishments of this amazing class don't stop there. The Class of 2014 earned $4.5 million in college scholarships.

A Baccalaureate Mass was held in the VASJ gym on Wednesday, May 28, with the theme "Fly to the future but don't forget the past." VASJ's Peer Ministers planned and coordinated the Mass which concluded with underclassmen blowing bubbles as the graduates exited the school as a way of demonstrating the Class of 2014 "flying to the future."

The 24th annual commencement ceremony was held on Thursday, May 29, at Ss. Robert and William Church. The church was full of family members and friends and the weather was just what you would hope for an evening in late May, perfect for taking pictures after the ceremony.

The class Valedictorian, Malia Harvey, who was also the recipient of the Phi Beta Kappa award and several others, will be continuing her college education in the Marianist tradition at the University of Dayton.

Harvey and her classmates Jacob Di Donato, Cierra Walker and Jeffrey Williams were elected to serve as the commencement speakers at graduation.

They spoke of the diversity at VASJ and what a positive experience it was meeting and learning from people with different cultures and backgrounds.

They spoke of the way the kindness of classmates, faculty and staff at VASJ helped each of them grow into unique individuals.

Members of the Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School Class of 2014 gather after receiving their diplomas at the twenty-fourth annual commencement ceremony held on Thursday, May 29, 2014, at Ss. Robert and William Church in Euclid.

They spoke of the way in which the class came together when they were freshmen as complete strangers and are leaving four years later as a family.

Williams, a member of VASJ's Marianist Urban Students Program, moved the crowd to tears with his speech. He spoke of the difficulties he faced during his senior year after falling victim to an attempted robbery at a gas station and suffering injuries that left him fighting for his life..

"I asked God for help and strength," Williams said. "I asked Him to pull me through and what He did was put the smiling facies of my classmates right in front of me. These faces were my strength."

Salutatorian Brittany Shumar (left) and Valedictorian Malia Harvey (right).

The graduating members of VASJ's Marianist Urban Students Program include Nicholas Uitenham, Alexis Clark, Jeffrey Williams and DeSeanna Morgan.

Connor Gail, a member of VASJ's National Honor Society and Student Council Secretary, and classmate Andrianna Peterson, Student Council Vice-President.

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Alums assume admissions leadership roles at VASJ

Veteran education administrator Kevin Flynt '70 has been named Director of Admissions at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School. Current alumni and admissions coordinator Kellie (Clinton) Watrobski '03 has been named Associate Director of Admissions.

The announcement was made by VASJ President Richard Osborne '69.

"We are extremely fortunate to have these two talented professionals in our midst," Osborne said. "Under their leadership, we look forward to continuing the great success of our strategy for controlled growth in enrollment."

Since former Director of Admissions Terri Richards implemented a strategy of selective admissions and enhanced procedures four years ago, VASJ has become the fastest-growing private high school in Ohio. This year, for the third year in a row, 100 percent of the school's graduating seniors have gone on to college.

Kevin Flynt '70 has been named VASJ's new Director of Admissions.

Kellie (Clinton) Watrobski '03 has been named Associate Director of Admissions.

Flynt, who currently serves on VASJ's Board of Advisors, is a former member of the Board of Education for Euclid City Schools. His varied education roles have included service as Assistant Principal of Pinnacle Academy in Euclid, as well Truancy/ Residency Compliance Officer in Euclid and for Shaw High School in Cleveland.

Flynt is a cum laude graduate of Chancellor University. He and his wife, Margie '70, have three children and four grandchildren, one of whom will be joining VASJ in the fall.

A former newspaper account executive, Watrobski has organized admissions and alumni activities at VASJ since 2011. In that time, she has coordinated numerous events and has improved communications with alumni, students and parents. In her new role, she will expand her work to develop additional programs to enhance the admissions and new-student experience.

Watrobski is a graduate of Marietta College. She and her husband, Joe, are expecting their first child in August.

VASJ designated as high-performing school

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School has been validated and certified as a Member School in the national network of Schools That Can, a not-for-profit organization committed to recognizing and improving quality performance in 21st century urban education.

"This designation is a tremendous honor," said VASJ President Richard Osborne '69. "Not only are we extremely proud to be selected for inclusion in this elite group, but we look forward to learning from our peers at other high-performance schools."

As a Member School, Villa Angela-St. Joseph will be a resource to help high-potential schools improve and receive connections, partnerships and services to help improve their quality. Schools That Can builds trustful, local cross-sector urban school networks through open dialogue and collaboration at all levels of education, facilitates peer-to-peer learning nationwide, and accelerates the learning of 21st century skills.

"We are absolutely delighted that Villa Angela-St. Joseph in Cleveland, which is a faith-based school, applied for and passed STC's rigorous validation process," said Casey Lamb, validation committee leader of Schools That Can.

VASJ joins 128 other schools serving over 53,000 students throughout the United States.

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"I am in awe of this dedication to and passion for quality education demonstrated by our teachers, volunteers, parents and children," said Michael Druckman, STC's executive chairman. "Now with eight STC network schools in Cleveland, we aim to reach a tipping point where the community will regard quality education as an expectation for all students, regardless of income level."

LOOK AT US NOW!

Sunday, August 17, 2014, 2 p.m.
Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School
18491 Lakeshore Blvd.
Cleveland, OH 44119

Take a student-led tour of our newly renovated facilities including our gym, chapel and Villa Angela Heritage Room, as well as other improvements throughout the building. Bishop Roger Gries will be blessing the renovated spaces. Food and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP by Friday, August 8, to Ruby Harris at 216-481-8414 ext. 209 or rharris@vasj.com

Viking Views

by Richard Osborne

They've done it again! For the third year in a row, 100 percent of our graduating seniors are heading to college. It is a remarkable feat and we are enormously proud of the students' achievement as well as the outstanding $4.5 million the class earned in college scholarships.

All in all, it has been a truly spectacular year in the Viking Village. And we look forward to another spectacular year as we move toward the 25th anniversary of the merger of Villa Angela Academy and St. Joseph High School.

Please mark your calendar for this August 17 when we will show off our newly refurbished gym and other improvements throughout the school building. Elsewhere on this page, see the "Look At Us Now!" announcement for details.

We'll be sharing more good news at the event, including the up-to-the-minute enrollment count. While the final numbers are not yet in, it is very safe to say that we will continue our trend of surging enrollment and will remain at the head of the pack as the fastest-growing private high school in the state.

Our record-breaking enrollment increases are especially noteworthy in light of VASJ's highly selective admissions policy. A recent article in *Crain's Cleveland Business* called VASJ's results "dramatic" and highlighted the school's commitment to serve the Collinwood-Euclid community with the highest quality of education.

We are very pleased that our status as an educational leader has been validated and recognized by the national Schools That Can organization. We were selected to be part of this elite company which includes only 128 other schools across the country.

Finally, please join us in welcoming our new Admissions Director Kevin Flynt '70 and Associate Director of Admissions Kellie (Clinton) Watrobski '03. Both are familiar faces in the Viking Village who bring a wealth of experience, creative ideas and passion for the VASJ mission to their new roles.

Certainly we have much to celebrate at VASJ. But we are just as excited by all the good things yet to come. Enjoy the summer and see you at the "Look At Us Now!" event on August 17!

Richard Osborne '69 is the president of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School.

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Panthers Don't Stop

Euclid Panther Athletes don't stop, even over the summer.

Volleyball Camp at EHS

End of the Year Fun

Snow cones at Central!

On the last day of school, Central students had a big carnival complete with a dunk tank!

Euclid High School Girls Basketball players attended a week long fundamental camp!

Euclid Safety Town

Euclid Safety Town will be presented from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 4 though 8 at Euclid Public Library, 631 E. 222nd Street. The program is being presented by The Euclid Police Department and Police Athletic League for children entering kindergarten in the fall.

Participants will learn skills pertaining to crossing the street and more in Safety Town set up in the north parking lot of the Fordyce Building next to the library.

All participants will receive a T-shirt and a diploma compliments of the Euclid PAL program.

Other programs to be taught include identifying poisons, animal safety, "Eddie Eagle" gun safety," stranger danger, fire safety, 9-1-1 emergency calls, water safety and school bus safety.

Cost of the program is $10.

For more details and applications, call Ed Bonchak, Euclid Police Community Policing Education Specialist, at (216) 289-2700, Ext. 3667.

Euclid City Schools' Early Learning Center Earns Highest Rating From State

In recognition of a commitment to quality and an ongoing dedication to the learning and development of children, Euclid City Schools' Early Learning Center has received a Five-Star Step Up To Quality Award from the State of Ohio.

Step Up To Quality is Ohio's rating system for learning and development programs. Participating programs can earn a one to five star rating.

In addition to meeting all standards of a four-star rating, programs with five stars may also:

Have lower staff/child ratios.

Use child assessment results to plan activities that best support learning and development goals for each child.

Share assessment results and create goals for children.

Develop plans to support children as they transition to a new classroom or educational setting.

Work with other organizations or businesses within the community to support children and their families.

Have an active and organized parent volunteer group.

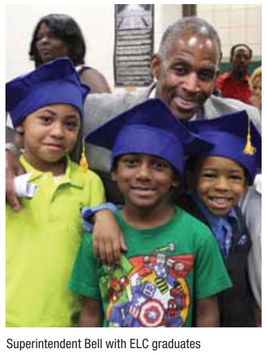
Use input from families and community partners' inform the program's continuous improvement process.

Have accreditation by an approved organization.

"The Early Learning Center is proud to be a five-star program," said Rasheeda Hoston, director of the Early Learning Center. We know that children have approximately 1,892 days from birth until school starts, and every day matters. It is important to us that children develop their self-confidence, social and emotional skills, and a love of learning.

Research confirms that the first five years of a child's life has a direct impact on how children develop emotional well-being, in addition to, learning and social skills. For these reasons, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and the Ohio Department of Education are committed to improving early childhood opportunities for all children in the state.

To learn more, visit www.earlychildhoodohio.org or www.euclidschools.org.



Superintendent Bell with ELC graduates

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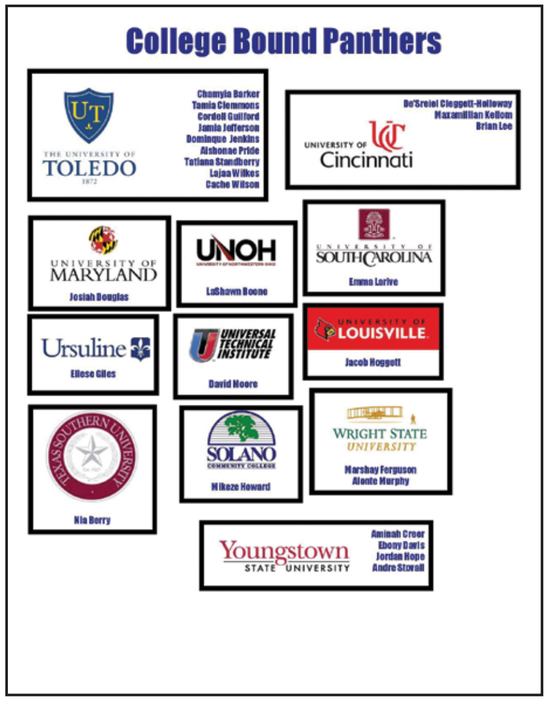
College Bound Panthers

We are proud to announce that 78% of the Class of 2014 is planning on attending college. Take a look at where they are headed!



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE SCHOOL
Pre-K through 8th Grade
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Pastoral Minister Named Volunteer of the Year

Pastoral Minister Dana Heil was honored as the Euclid Adult Activities Center's Volunteer of the Year in June, in recognition for the work she's done on behalf of Our Lady of the Lake parish. Dana began bringing volunteers to the Center in 2012, and their commitment has grown to baking cookies, staffing a monthly snack bar, running an annual field day picnic and even bringing in a sewing class! Along with her work representing the parish, she has contributed many hours of her free time, and has also helped to foster other partnerships, connecting the Center with resources and groups in the community that help them in their important work. Speaking of Dana's dedication, the Center's management said, "Dana's enthusiasm and leadership have caused Euclid AAC's relationship with the church community to grow and expand joyfully!" This sense of joy and community is at the heart of Our Lady of the Lake's faith mission, and we're proud of all our staff and parishioners for all that they do to share that mission each day.

Serving Our Neighbors

Service to the community has always been important to parishioners at Our Lady of the Lake, and our youth ministry group take the commitment seriously. Each summer they take time from their vacation to go out into the community and serve, sharing their gifts and their energy with those in need and living their faith through their good works. At the end of June their dedication took them to the Euclid Adult Activities Center, where for the second year in a row they provided a day of fun and activities for the center's members. These caring youth are setting the example for good citizenship, and spreading caring and goodwill in our community, and we recognize how lucky we are to have such principled young people representing our parish.

Fun for All

Our Lady of the Lake's annual parish picnic is a fun time for new friends and old to gather and celebrate. With good food, fun and games, music all day and plenty of space to play, the picnic is always a wonderful gathering -- and this year was no exception. Thanks to the all the incredible volunteers who make this possible, and to the warm and welcoming families who make it such a great tradition. With perfect weather and so much fun to pack into one afternoon, everyone made great memories. Mass should always be this much fun!

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Ss. Robert & William 4th Annual International Family Festival

Good Friends, Good Food and Good Times Await at Euclid's Fourth Annual International Family Festival at Ss. Robert & William Cathoic Church

by Kristi Ward

From its inception The Intergenerational Save the date for the fourth annual International Family Festival, August 14-17 at Ss. Robert and William, 367 East 260th St. Savor homemade pierogi, clams, Italian sausage, unique ethnic foods, a new air-conditioned Oktoberfest area, games of chance (for children, teens, and adults), midway games, pony rides, amusement rides and music featuring The Polka Pirates, Mid-Life Crisis, Joey Tomsick Orchestra, New Barley Corn, Festivus and Phil n' the Blanks. Old fashioned Car Cruise and Euclid Safety Force vehicles roll in on Sunday. One lucky winner will take home the $10,000 grand prize raffle drawing. Raffle tickets are $5 each or 5 tickets for $20 and can be purchased at the festival or at the Parish Office. For additional information, please call 216-731-1515 or follow the festival on Facebook under "Ss. Robert & William Festival."

Thursday, Aug. 14

5 pm	Festival opens! Ss. Robert & William School Appreciation Night
7:30-9 pm	Live band: Polka Pirates
5-9 pm	Rocket Ship
5-9 pm	Pony Rides
7-10 pm	Outside Casino

Friday, Aug. 15

5 pm	Festival opens
7-10 pm	Live band: New Barley Corn
10:15-11:30	Live band: Midlife Crisis
5-10 pm	Rocket Ship
5-10 pm	Face Painting
5-11pm	Laser Tag
6-Midnight	Outside Casino

Saturday, Aug. 16

5 pm	Festival opens
7-11 pm	Live band: Festivus
5-10 pm	Rocket Ship
5-10 pm	Pony Rides
5-10 pm	Face Painting
5-11 pm	Laser Tag
6-Midnight	Outside Casino

Sunday, Aug. 17

11 am	Polka Mass with The Joey Tomsick Orchestra
12 pm	Festival opens
12:30-3 pm	Live band: The Joey Tomsick Orchestra
5-8 pm	Live band: Phil 'n the Blanks
12-5 pm	Face Painting
12-4 pm	Car Cruise In!
12-7 pm	Laser Tag
1-3 pm	Euclid Safety Forces
1-6 pm	Pony Rides
12-8 pm	Outside Casino
Bake Off	(time to be determined)
7:30-8 pm	Raffle Winners Announced

Ss. Robert & William Rummage Sale

by Ellen Ivory

If you enjoy an adventure in shopping, stop by the annual Rummage Sale on Friday, July 18, from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 19, from 9:00a.m. – Noon.

This year's sale, which is held in the school gym, is bigger than ever, offering you a huge choice of computer/office desks, furniture, clean clothing, linens, household items, and so much more. On Saturday you will even have the opportunity to buy a bag of goods for a mere $2.00. Don't miss this opportunity to hunt for that specialty item that could be a real treasure to you.

Another annual event that is being held at the Parish is the free, fresh Produce Giveaway. The remaining dates of distribution are Monday, July 28th and August 25th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m., in the church parking lot.

The Parish has once again teamed up with The Greater Cleveland Foodbank, Euclid Hospital, The Euclid Hunger Center and local Boy Scouts to make this distribution possible. Items such as crisp cabbage, celery, sweet watermelon, and potatoes were just a portion of last month's distribution.

Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish is located at 367 East 260th Street, Euclid. For additional information on either event, please call the Parish Office at 216.731.1515.

Like-new computer desks for sale at the Ss. Robert and William Catholic Parish Rummage Sale

Community

Bands Rock the Stage at the Summer at Sims Concert Series

Lorine Chia is best known for her complex voice and emotionally charged lyrics.

Residents of all ages enjoy the free concerts in the park.

Residents dance the night away while Chardon Polka performed lakeside.

Chardon Polka performs behind Henn Mansion.

by Nicole Musgrave

The Summer at Sims Concert Series, presented by the City of Euclid, in association with the Beachland Ballroom and Tavern, has enjoyed tremendous success to date. Area residents came out in droves to enjoy the music, lakefront scenery, beer and food. With two dates remaining, the summer is just heating up.

Chardon Polka Band kicked off the series in May. The group is certainly not your average polka band. Chardon Polka breathed new life and energy to this traditional music while residents sang and tapped along whilst enjoying the good food and cold suds.

In June, Lorine Chia headlined the event. Born in Banso, Cameroon, Lorine Chia was destined to perform. Lorine is best known for her complex voice (generally compared to Amy Winehouse/Lauryn Hill/Jill Scott) and bass-centric jams whose subject matter deals with managing insecurities and spreading love in the community. Attendees sang along and danced with Ms. Chia on stage while enjoying the food and beer as the sun went down behind the crowd.

The remaining dates feature the following musical talent:

July 31st- The Moxies + TBD Opener-

The Moxies are a three piece outfit from Cleveland, Ohio consisting of Marco Ciofani (vocals, guitar), Kevin Werfield (drums) and Tyler Adams (bass). Their sound is an amalgam of rockabilly garage rock with a gritty, blues sensibility. Marco is no stranger to Euclid, having performed at Cebar's during high school.

The Moxies draw from classic influences from Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Etta James, to modern artists such as their hero Jack White, Cold War Kids, and Cage the Elephant. Because the band's sound is shaped by decades of rock, they appeal to audiences of all ages. Marco writes lyrics that range from aggressively energetic with songs like "Night Crawler" and "Dead Man Walking" to bluesy angst ("Conrete", "Just A Boy") to the romantically charged ("Main Street Drive-In", "Rain Dance"), with enough youthful energy to make even the most jaded listener sing and dance along.

The Moxies are also scheduled to play at the House Blues, the Agora theatre and the Beachland Ballroom this summer.

August 28th- Luca Mundaca

Luca Mundaca is the latest in a long line of great Brazilian artists who have gained national and international acclaim. Luca Mundaca is a prime example of Brazilian jazz at its best. Her smooth, sultry voice truly takes you straight to the heart of Brazil.

Luca won the 2008 Independent Music Award in the World Fusion category. In addition to her own album, Luca's work has been featured in the American movie "End of Watch" (2013), "The Visitor" (2008), ABC TV Show "Mistresses"(2013), the independent movie "Kissing Paris" (2008), and the Brazilian TV show "TiTiTi" a telenovela (2010).

The event would not be a success without the participation of local food vendors. Participants to date have included: The Nosh Box, MotorMouth Food Truck, Savannah's Sweet and Salty Popcorn, 216 Bistro, Chill Pop Shop & Scott's Fire and Ice.

A portion of the alcohol sales from the events go to support a local non-profit.

If you have any questions about the series, please contact Economic Development Coordinator Nicole Musgrave at 216-289-2787.

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Patrick Shaughnessy, MD

Cleveland Clinic Rehabilitation Hospital at Euclid Hospital provides specialized care for patients who need intensive rehabilitation after hospitalization for stroke, spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury, major illness, surgery or trauma.

Located within Euclid Hospital, Cleveland Clinic Rehabilitation Hospital offers a seamless transition to the rehabilitative phase of recovery with medical coverage 24 hours a day, and includes access to a full range of medical and surgical specialties, as well as laboratory and radiology services.

Patrick Shaughnessy, MD, a physician specializing in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Cleveland Clinic Rehabilitation Hospital at Euclid Hospital, says, "A rehab hospital provides the medical management, intense therapy and specialized care that results in excellent outcomes for our patients."

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Each patient's rehab plan is based on his or her individual needs. Most patients receive physical and occupational therapy daily, spending three hours in therapy five days a week. Weekend therapy is provided as needed. Additionally, most patients also receive speech and recreational therapy.

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To learn about Cleveland Clinic Rehabilitation Hospitals — at main campus, Euclid and Lakewood hospitals — visit clevelandclinic.org/rehab. For more information about rehabilitation services at Cleveland Clinic Rehabilitation Hospital at Euclid Hospital, call 216.692.8668.

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July 24: Local History Book Signing

Dr. Roy Larick

Laura Peskin

by Laura Peskin

On Thursday July 24 three local authors who focus on Northeast Ohio will be signing their books at the Lakeshore Coffee House, 22032 Lakeshore Blvd. The event runs from 4:30-7:30 pm. The writers are Laura Peskin, Roy Larick and John Williams. Peskin, who has contributed to Ohio journals and research websites, will be offering her first book. Entitled Deep Cover Cleveland, vol I, the recent work has dazzled historians and residents alike with a plethora of overlooked, yet significant, Northeast Ohio phenomena. Peskin is particularly interested in the region's Native American heritage. The books details Cleveland's copious but forgotten prehistoric Indian mounds as well as the area's Native transportation routes and illustrious Native individuals such as Neolin, the 18th Century Delaware prophet. A visionary of another sort turned failed Indian agent, Euclid's Nathan Meeker, finds his way into Deep Cover Cleveland's engaging cavalcade of people and events.

More generally on the East Side of Cleveland and vicinity, Deep Cover Cleveland vol. I presents history all the way up to the economic depression of 1893: Cleveland's War of 1812 Fort, early Lutheran Church, early high school (Central High), and little-remembered tension between coeducation and coordinate instruction for female Western Reserve College students in the college's early Cleveland years. Deep Cover Cleveland in fact excels in women's history, for example, in showcasing Caroline Ormes Ransom, the painter of Alexander Hamilton on the $20 bill and a groundbreaker for women as serious portraitists.

In depth portraits of East Side communities come to life in Deep Cover Cleveland's respective chapters on Shaker Heights and Painesville. One will learn for instance that until Shaker Height's Moreland School closed in 1987, its corners continuously held schools since 1816. If one's particular East Side interest is unsurprisingly Euclid, Ohio, a most captivating locale, one should take note that Dr. Roy Larick will be signing his two books on the area. Euclid Creek, published in 2005, was co-written by Bob Gibbons and Ed Siplock. In Arcadia Publishers' Images of America series, it regales the reader with seldom-seen historic photographs of the community. Larick's Euclid Township, 1796-1801: Protest in the Western Reserve (2003, co-written by Craig Semsel) explains how Euclid, Ohio took its name from Greek mathematician Euclid, patron of surveyors; the township was initially set up as affordable land for Moses Cleaveland's under-compensated surveyors. After most of these men failed to follow through on their Euclid land claims, the township was re-surveyed in short order, itself a fascinating case study of early American land use and local settlement that Dr. Larick compellingly narrates.

Dr. Larick, a former president of the Euclid Historical Society, is a professional geologist and archaeologist. In addition to three books on Euclid, Dr. Larick maintains the northeast Ohio geology/history website bluestoneheights.org and has published many scientific studies. Dr. Larick's well-known tours, be they through prehistoric cave art in Europe or through Greater Cleveland's surprisingly likewise fascinating ravines, stream beds, ridges and beaches animate an enthralling past and present. On Dr. Larick's walks, one discovers Euclid bluestone, paver of the nation's finest walkways; one romps through the weedy descendents of the country's largest 19th Century wine region; one meanders shores that supported vacation rentals and overnight camp experiences for yesteryear's urbanites. Dr. Larick brings walkers up-to-date with previews of preserved green space corridors ranging from future natural study areas to a projected trail through a wooded, former railroad right-of-way, to proposed bio-swales over presently underused old streambeds.

A 300+ page, illustrated, comprehensive history of Euclid has been penned by John Williams, current president of the Euclid Historical Society and curator of the Euclid History Museum. In 2006 Williams published History of the Euclid Police Department, a definitive look at over 200 years of local policing. He will be sharing this work at the July 24th Lakeshore Coffee House book-signing. Mr. Williams' appearance should be of interest to attendees of the coffee house's "coffee with a cop" community dialogues, and to anyone who wants to learn more about the safety forces, police history or Euclid heritage.

Finding This Nimo in Euclid

Nimo surrounded by "his" children.

by Sherrie Zagorc

Nimo (Nimesh Patel) is making a stop in Euclid with his Empty Hands Music Pilgrimage on Friday, July 11 at 6:30 pm on the front lawn of the rectory at Our Lady of the Lake at the corner of E. 200Street and Lake Shore Blvd. Bring your family and friends, a lawn chair or blanket and experience our small contribution to Nimo's 7 month pilgrimage across the United States and UK. This free concert will not be a staged performance, but rather an opportunity to nurture seeds of goodness and service in our community through Nimo and his music. Snacks and beverages will be available. Parking is in the church parking lot at E. 201Street and in the event of rain, the gathering will be in the church hall.

I discovered Nimo through a website that was sponsoring a 21 Day Gratitude Challenge. He posted a video with children and adults all over the world singing his song "Grateful". This former secular rapper had a huge awakening while serving the children in the surrounding slums of Gandhi Ashram in India and decided to devote his life to producing a style of music that emphasized the values of kindness, gratitude, service, love, and joy. My email to him to express gratitude for his creative and inspiring talent led to my invitation for him to join us in Euclid on his way across the country. Friends at Our Lady of the Lake Church are helping to sponsor this special visit. You can discover Nimo and his music by going to karmatube.org or emptyhands-music.com. If you have questions contact me at 216-798-7089 or e200thstreetstroll@gmail.com.

Euclid Toastmasters Club Receives Distinguished Honors

by Jessica Gerich

Bailey Toastmasters, a Euclid chapter, has been recognized as a Distinguished Club for the 2013-2014 year. In order to become a Distinguished Club, Bailey met a number of goals, including members giving 10 speeches from the beginning competent communicator manual, additional members speaking 10 times from an advanced manual and recruiting 5 new members.

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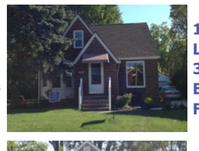
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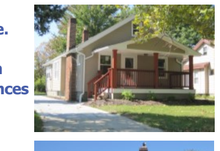
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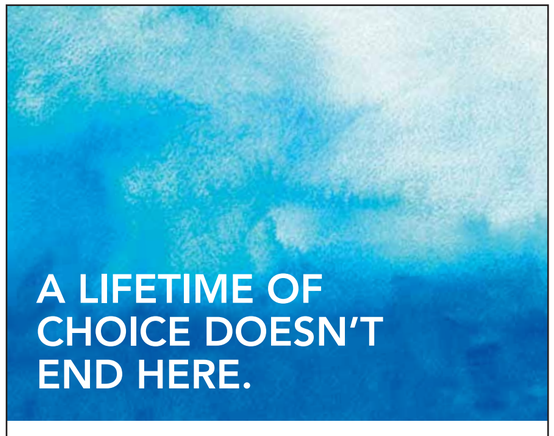

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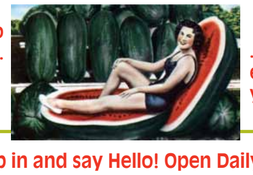

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Get into the Act, Auditions at Shore Cultural Centre!

by Chris Cipriani
While summer is still in full swing, Shore Cultural Centre is anticipating an exciting fall with three exciting stage productions on the calendar for October.

The musical premier Remember the Pines, written by Brian Smallwood with music by Nick Underhill, will run October 3rd through October 12th. Maryann Nagle will be directing, with musical director Nick Underhill. For production information you may email maracts@aol.com.

Silhouette Productions will follow with the popular musical "Fiddler on the Roof", performances October 17th through October 26th. Director will be Douglass F. bailey II, music by David Coxe, and choreography by Tara Marie Mirabile. Auditions for all roles will be held July 28th and 29th 7 pm to 9:30 pm in room 241 at Shore Cultural Centre. Call backs will be held on July 30th. Bring sheet music, an accompanist will be provided. Be prepared for choreography. There will be many roles for all ages.

Writer-director Tom Todd, known as "The Amazing One-Man Band", has devoted more than ten years working on his original Frankenstein: The Rock Opera. This musical performance will take place October 31st and November 1st. For audition information call 440-552-5892.

Shore Cultural Centre is located at 291 East 222nd Street, in Euclid. For more audition and information on the productions, or about other events and classes, please visit www.shoreculturalcentre.com, or call the business office at 216-289-8578.

Calling all Actors/Vocalists!

by Julie Slattery
Auditions for Tom Todd's "Frankenstein, The Rock Opera" are underway. The show is to be staged at the Shore Cultural Centre on October 31, 2014 and November 1, 2014. Actors should visit tomtoddmusic.com and click on the Frankenstein link from the home page for more info on the characters to be cast and details. Please contact Tom from this site or at 440-552-5892 to register for an audition. What a great way to celebrate Halloween! Information on ticket sales and a chance to win tickets to the show to follow in the Euclid Observer.

Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof

by Charlotte Mirabile
Silhouette Productions and Shore Cultural Centre Announces Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof a musical theatre tradition! Winner of 10 Tony Awards when it debuted in 1965, the show is the brainchild of Broadway legends Jerome Robbins, Harold Prince, songwriters Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick, and bookwriter Joseph Stein. Touching audiences worldwide with its humor, warmth and honesty, this universal show is a staple of the musical theatre canon.

Set in the little village of Anatevka, the story centers on Tevye, a poor dairyman, and his five daughters. With the help of a colorful and tight-knit Jewish community, Tevye tries to protect his daughters and instill them with tradition in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, FIDDLER ON THE ROOF's universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness.

Directed by Douglas F. Bailey II
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Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine - A Piece of France Right Here In Euclid

by Megan Garin
Did you know that there is a historic tourist attraction right here in our city of Euclid? Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, located on Chardon Road, was opened on Trinity Sunday, May 30, 1926 by the Good Shepherd Sisters on property that was home to the 'Harms Farms'. In 1952, the Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity took over the operation of the Shrine.

The Shrine is a replica of the Grotto in Lourdes, France. Incorporated into the Grotto are two stones taken from the stone upon which Our Lady appeared in Lourdes. The water from the Grotto flows over these holy relics.

Since its opening, thousands of pilgrims from across the country and from Canada have come to honor Our Lady and place their petitions before her. Hundreds of favors, both spiritual and temporal, have been reported as granted.

Today, the Shrine is available for pilgrims and parish groups to come for prayer and reflections. The Sisters host and conduct retreats and days of recollection as requested. The St. Ann Dining Room is available for groups who wish to spend the day. Conference rooms are also available for a few hours or all day meetings. In addition, The Gift Shop and Greeting Card Shop is also located on the property, featuring a wide variety of Religious articles and cards at affordable prices. Select from a large variety of gifts for First Communion, Confirmation, Baptism, Wedding, and Anniversary Celebrations.

If you might be looking for a fulfilling opportunity to become a part of this historic tourist attraction, you might consider becoming a Knight of Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine. This group was organized and officially approved by the late Right Reverend Bishop Joseph Schrembs, D.D. on November 5, 1927.

These men have banded together to safeguard the interests of Our Lady at her Shrine by maintaining the silence and order befitting the immediate environs of the Grotto. They assist as Ushers at Sunday Mass, Sunday afternoon services, and on evenings during Novenas. They also lead Rosary and Processions and assist the Pilgrimage guests in any way possible.

Added to these duties, the gallant men contribute their labors on weekends and evenings in order to help with landscaping and caring for the grounds surrounding the Grotto; thereby greatly assisting the Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity in their work at the Shrine.

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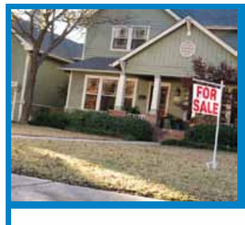

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