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O'Reilly Auto Parts Plans New Store in Euclid



Conceptual rendering of the new O'Reilly Auto Parts store to be built on E. 200th Street.

by Jonathan Holody.

A new O'Reilly Auto Parts store has been proposed to be built at 689 E. 200th Street in Euclid by O'Reilly Auto Enterprises of Springfield, Missouri. The project will bring new construction and investment to the mostly-vacant site just north of Discount Drug Mart.

O'Reilly's strives to be a premier supplier of auto parts by offering the best combination of price and quality with exceptional service. Their plans call for the construction of a 7,735 square foot building at the site.

The necessary re-zoning was approved by Euclid City Council on February 6, 2017. At the meeting, Ward 2 Councilperson Madeline Scarniench welcomed the development, commenting "it will make 200th Street on the Euclid side really look nice."

On February 23rd, the project was granted conceptual approval by the City's Architectural Review Board. The company intends to begin construction this spring with a goal of opening the store by the end of the year.

EPL Updates Policies to Require Youth Chaperones After School



by Kacie V. Armstrong, Director

Euclid Public Library strives to foster a welcoming environment while encouraging patrons to use the facility and its resources for learning and enrichment. To preserve that opportunity, the library expects patrons to be respectful of each other and behave in a manner that does not disrupt other patrons or staff. In the past several years, we have taken a number of significant steps designed to improve the learning environment – and indeed the safety – at our library. We have hired additional staff and police to supervise the building, increased after school programming, improved our safety and security technology, and more.

Unfortunately, since the beginning of 2017, the library has experienced a sharp increase in disruptive behavior during after-school hours that has prevented the library from serving as a safe space for all library users. There have been multiple harmful incidents involving youth, including fights, vandalism, assaults on police officers, and inappropriate computer usage. This kind of behavior is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

As a result, the Euclid Public Library Board of Trustees has approved several amendments to our Library Code of Conduct and Unattended Children policies. Effective March 1st:

A parent, guardian or caregiver over the age of 21 must accompany children under the age of 18 in the library, Monday through Friday, between 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM.

Though we recognize that some children

are more mature and better behaved than others – and better behaved as individuals than in a group – however, the library must take measures to ensure the safety of everyone. Therefore, we respectfully request that parents ensure an adult accompanies children to the library or make alternative arrangements. The library will continue to offer programs for children and teens during the limited access time. Unattended students or parents must call (216) 261-5300 to pre-register. Once the program is at capacity, the library will no longer take reservations. Those participating in a program can enter the building fifteen (15) minutes before the program starts. Unattended students registered for the impACT the 216 ACT Prep tutoring program may enter the library to participate in tutoring.

We want to hear your feedback about these changes. We also invite you to participate in the community-wide process of developing long-term solutions to meeting the needs of our students. Your input will be vital to this process. Please join us at one of our upcoming community meetings: March 6th 8:30 AM, 2:00 PM and 6:30 PM
March 14th 8:30 AM
March 8th 8:30 AM
March 20th 6:30 PM
March 9th 2:00 PM

For those unable to attend a meeting, please share your feedback and any questions via email to thoughts@euclidlibrary.org. As always, community members are invited to the library's monthly Board Meetings held on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM.

We appreciate your cooperation and support as we continue to strive to achieve our goal of providing a welcoming space for all. Respectfully,

Kacie V. Armstrong, Director

Euclid Elementary and High School Students Team Up to Create Sneaker Art



On view in the lobby of City Hall through April 2017, "The Traveling Shoe Show" is a collaboration between Euclid City Schools' Arbor Elementary and Euclid High School's Visual Communication students.



Earlier this year, art teacher Jennifer Douglas' fifth grade students at Arbor Elementary partnered with art teacher Edith Mellen's Visual Communication students at Euclid High School to design and paint shoes reflective of their interests and experiences.

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

Be inspired to step up your sneakers with "The Traveling Shoe Show", now on view in the lobby of Euclid's City Hall.

Earlier this year, art teacher Jennifer Douglas' fifth grade students at Arbor Elementary partnered with art teacher Edith Mellen's Visual Communication students at Euclid High School to design and paint shoes reflective of their interests and experiences. Each grouping of students first

designed their pair of shoes through hand sketches and computer renderings, before the high school students took a paint brush to unusual canvas. The cross-collaboration taught invaluable skills working as a diverse team as well as produced whimsically detailed, colorful shoes almost too incredible to wear!

Van Monroe - a Euclid High School Distinguished Alumni award recipient and renowned shoe painter - spoke to the classes as a guest speaker. Mr. Monroe shared his story of success as a respected visual artist in face of life's adversities. Among other accomplishments, his shoes featuring former U.S. President Barack Obama are on display at the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington D.C.

Dozens of pairs of student-painted sneakers and additional information on the project is visible in the display case at City Hall, opposite the main desk. The show will be up through April 2017. City Hall is open to the public Monday through Friday from 8:30am-5pm. Please contact Jennifer Douglas with inquiries about how to display these shoes in your facility, or purchase a pair.

Euclid Master Plan: Second Public Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, April 4th, 2017

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

In 2016 the City of Euclid was awarded a Master Plan to be prepared by the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission. A Master Plan inventories current conditions, outlines a community's vision for the future and then describes concrete, specific action steps community leaders can undertake to accomplish that growth and development.

The plan will be complete in summer 2017 and there is still plenty of time to become involved – your input is vital!

Please join us for the second public meet-

ing of the Master Plan on Tuesday, April 4th from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the cafeteria at Central Middle School. County Planning will cover potential policies for accomplishing the visions outlined by residents during the first public meeting in October 2016. The meeting will consist of a formal presentation followed by an activity to collect feedback.

All residents are encouraged to attend and provide input on the proposed policies and suggest your ideas for actions. We appreciate your time and commitment to help shape the future of Euclid!

Dialogue

From the desk of the Mayor



This past month was a month to celebrate partnerships. At the beginning of February, we officially welcomed Simon Grocery store to Euclid Avenue with a ribbon cutting and community event. This project is an example of partnerships working to address a problem and bring about a great project. In this case, we have a private developer, Mr. Hussain, who invested in an aging plaza; City Council committing CDBG funds to help the project; Cuyahoga County Board of Health Healthy Communities Program providing technical assistance and connections to the Finance Fund and Food Trust who provided both funding and expertise. This project is being held up as an example by the agencies involved of how successful partnerships lead to great results. This project brings investment, jobs to local residents, and fresh affordable food to an area previously identified as a food desert.

We also had a chance to visit and welcome DriveTime to the HGR property on Euclid Avenue. DriveTime is the 4th largest

used car company in the United States. At this site, they bring in cars, inspect them, refurbishes them, and transports to their sales offices. Again, this project was successful because there was a property owner willing to invest in their property, a business willing to invest in building and equipment, and Planning and Development Department making connections to Team NEO who provided funding needed to bring this project to fruition. In addition to filling a long term vacancy, this business currently employs nearly 70 employees and has resulted in nearly \$6 million in capital improvements.

I am also grateful for the partnership of the Greater Cleveland Foodbank who has developed a mobile food pantry for seniors once a month together with our Senior Center. Bob Payne and his staff have worked with the Greater Cleveland Foodbank who provides the food, while the Senior Center staff and crew of senior volunteers sort, bag, and distribute the food to seniors. This program helps fill a need to the seniors, but also demonstrates their willingness to volunteer and serve others. A special thank you also to Gateway Health for donating cloth bags to carry the food and Captain Kevin Kelley and community

police officers who helped unload and pack in February!

Other examples of great partnerships I experienced this month include the Lake Erie Folk Fest (with Shore Cultural Centre coming together with the Northeast Ohio Musical Heritage Association to bring artists and more than 1000 visitors from across the region to Shore Cultural Centre) and a wonderful wine tasting fundraiser hosted by Friends of the Henn Mansion in partnership with Mama Catena's Restaurant to raise money for capital improvements at the Henn Mansion. Both events were well supported by community sponsors and well attended by residents and visitors to Euclid. A great way to spotlight our community!

There are so many more examples to speak about and many more to explore. I thank all those willing to work with me, work with City Council, work with our community organization, and invest their time, talent and resources. We are a better community for it and we will continue to grow and thrive because of our commitment to working together.

Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail

Ask An Officer



from the Euclid Police Department

Question: Are there ways to protect yourself from identity fraud?

Answer: Kate McLaughlin, Community Policing Specialist

Identity theft is a serious crime that occurs when your personal information is stolen which can cost you time and money, and destroy your credit and name. Some ways to protect yourself from becoming a victim of identity theft include:

- Shredding all documents before discarding them in the trash.
- Do not carry your social security card with

you and be absolutely sure it is necessary if you need to give it out.

Never give out personal information over the phone, mail, or internet unless you know who you are dealing with.

Never click on links sent in unsolicited emails.

Don't use obvious passwords like birthdates, mother's maiden name, or digits from your social security number.

Keep your personal information in a safe place at home.

Be alert when bills do not arrive at your home as expected, or credit card statements arrive that are not your account, or you are contacted about a purchase you did not make.

Inspect your credit report which is free to do once a year, visit www.AnnualCreditRe-

port.com.

Review financial accounts and billings regularly to look for charges you did not make.

If you become a victim of identity theft, place a fraud alert on your credit cards, close your accounts, file a police report, and report the theft to the Federal Trade Commission. Important numbers include: Equifax 1-800-525-6285, Experian 1-888-397-3742, and TransUnion-1-800-680-7289. The Federal Trade Commission offers resources to assist you and can be contacted at 1-877-438-4338 or ftc.gov/idtheft.

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.

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Euclid Library

Programs at the Euclid Public Library



by Ashley Gowens

Improving Interview Skills
Monday, March 13
6:30 PM / Shore Room

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the best. Come to think of it, that might be more like Civil War or DC's Crisis...or any old Avengers fight! Stop by the Information Desk for details. No reservation required.

eBooks+
Wednesday, March 15
7:00 PM / Babbitt Room

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Getting Started with Social Security
Tuesday, March 28
6:30 PM / Shore Room

Learning how to maximize your financial benefits from Social Security can help you plan efficiently for your retirement. This informational program, presented by Britany Bittner of the Hantz Group, will help you make the best Social Security decisions for you and your family. Reservation required.

Comic Book Club: March Madness
Thursday, March 23
7:00 PM / Lake Room

The Comic Book Club is having a March Madness-style tournament bracket for superheroes and villains all throughout March and at this month's meeting, we'll reveal the winner! Just like the NCAA basketball tournament, the Comic Book Club will pit 64 heroes and villains against each other, and your votes will determine who is

Ohio Means Jobs
Thursday, March 30
2:30 PM / Computer Training Lab

Ohiojobs.com can help you plan your career, search hundreds of thousands of jobs, post resumes and explore online training. In this program, we will give an overview of the website and show you how it can help you with your career. There is a limit of six slots for this program. Reservation required.

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Lunch with Ruth Etting

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Meet "Ruth" courtesy of Women



by Ashley Gowens

The Friends of the Library invite you to enjoy lunch with "America's Sweetheart of Song," Ruth Etting on Friday, March 10 at Noon.

Rising to fame in the 1920s and 1930, Ruth worked in radio, stage, and film, and

her dramatic life was the basis for the 1955 film, "Love Me or Leave Me." Meet "Ruth" courtesy of Women in History and support the Friends! Tickets are available now at the library for \$12/members and \$15/non-members. Call (216) 261-5300 for more information.

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"Rosa Parks" Comes to EPL



The Friends of the Library with Rosa Parks portrayed by Sherri Tolliver of Women in History.

by Ashley Gowens

On Wednesday, February 15, the Friends of the Library hosted Dessert with Rosa Parks in the Lake & Shore Rooms. This special re-enactment featured the "First Lady of the

Civil Rights," portrayed by Sherri Tolliver of Women in History and was attended by more than 50 guests. Thank you for supporting the Friends!

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by Ashley Gowens

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| <p>Creative Dance Mondays 5 PM – 5:45 PM Ages 6-9 @ Shore Cultural Center in Room 241 Choreography to fun songs, steps across the floor, and proper stretching and warm up. Emphasis on balance and rhythm.</p> <p>Beginning/Intermediate Ballet Mondays 6- 6:50 PM Ages 8-11 @ Shore Cultural Center in Room 241 Ballet fundamentals including steps, turns, jumps, and stretching. Residents \$25 Non-Residents \$50 Classes starts Monday, March 13 (six week sessions)</p> | <p>Euclid High School West Pool Lap Swimming Schedule Monday through Friday 6 AM- 8 AM and 3 PM- 6 PM Saturday 8 AM – 10 AM Pool Passes for the year can be bought at city hall 9 AM- 4:30 PM Residents \$30 Non Residents \$60</p> |
| <p>Lil Sports Series Ages 3-5 Monday through Thursday 5:30- 6:30 PM Lil Hoopers May 1-12 Lil Batters May 15-26 Lil Kickers May 30- June 9 Lil Dancers June 19-30 (*Tues.-Fri for week of Memorial Day) Residents \$25 Non Residents \$50</p> | <p>Open Skate @ C E Orr Ice Arena Admission \$5 Skate Rental \$2.50 Tues. 7:30- 9 PM Fri. 7-8:30 PM Sat. 7-9 PM *Last open skate of season is Tues. March 28th.</p> |
| <p>Spring Basketball Clinic Ages 8-12 May 2 – May 25 Tuesdays and Thursday evenings Clinic will focus on the fundamentals of shooting, ball handling, and passing. Residents \$25 Non Residents \$50 Register by May 1.</p> | <p>Girls Fast Pitch Softball Ages 6-14 Practice begins May 1st. Games held in Euclid, Willoughby, and Willowick weekday evenings. \$75 for residents \$112 for Non Residents Register by April 14</p> <p>Track Ages 6-12 Practice begins the week of May 1st @ Euclid High School, weather permitting. Practice will be two to three times a week during evening hours. We have participants in sprint, distance, and relay events. Participants will have the opportunity to compete against other local communities. Residents \$50 Non Residents \$75 Register by May 1.</p> |

Bike Euclid News and Bicyclist of the Month



Eric Wernet riding one of Bike Euclid's official vehicles, a Worksman Industrial Trike, to haul disk golf gear to Sims Park.

by Kath Sonnhalter

Bike Euclid is pleased to announce that we are now a chapter of Bike Cleveland. This closer working relationship will benefit residents of both communities as well as bicyclists throughout the region.

Bike Euclid's first meeting of the new year took place Thursday March 2, 2017, 6-8pm at Euclid Brewing Company 21950 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid, OH 44123. We discussed the work of 2016, events planned for 2017. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to participate in a new initiative to map, track, and celebrate installation of new bike racks throughout the city of Euclid. To learn more and to get involved, go to the Bike Euclid page at www.facebook.com/euclidBIKES, and message us, or email to bikeEuclid@gmail.com.

Coming up soon

BIKEBIKE - A Commuting & Touring Forum, Sunday, April 23, 2017, 10am-3pm at the Beachland Ballroom: This is an exciting new event designed to enrich novice and expert alike. With an emphasis on active transportation and transportation equity, BIKEBIKE will showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more folks to give it a try. Learn best routes, gear, and methods to make your journey a success! The forum will include panel discussions on Bicycling and the Law, Commuting, and Touring, as well as hands-on working sessions and opportunity to meet and connect with others. Sponsors include Bike Cleveland, NOACA (Northern Ohio Area Coordinating Agency), the Cleveland

YMCA, Cuyahoga County Planning, and Ohio's Bike Lawyer, Steve Magas (who grew up in Euclid). A local woman will share her exciting experience touring the country by bike, and a local man will describe the workings of his handcycle. Workshops will be led by local bike shops and bike co-ops, including The Broadway Cyclery, Joy Machine, Blue Sky Bicycles, Village Cycle, Ohio City Bike Co-op, and St. Clair Bikeworks. Panel discussions on Touring, Commuting, and Law will be moderated by Radio Host and Author Diane (Lees) Jenks, The Outspoken Cyclist.

BIKEBIKE lays the groundwork for May, National Bike Month, sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities across the country since 1956. Check our facebook page for the variety of ways you can celebrate National Bike Month in Euclid. Perhaps you have an idea we can help you promote. Look for more detail in the April and May Observers.

March Bicyclist of the month Eric Wernet, Euclid resident.

Where do you enjoy riding?
I enjoy riding the streets of Cleveland and the Towpath Trail in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Seeing the city from a bike gives me a better appreciation for the architecture and the intricacies of the city.

Do you ride year round? How do you dress for the cold?

I do ride year round but certainly not as much in the winter. I prepare for the cold with a lot of layers. The most important of which is the windblocking materials! A good

pair of mittens are an absolute necessity!! You ride your bike to work. Describe the experience.

I do ride my bike to work. It is a 6 mile commute and on the way into work is uphill, 100% of the time. I enjoy it, it raises my heart rate and allows me to see what is around me in much slower detail. My only real issues are on warmer days, getting ready to tackle the day after the sweaty ride in. I am a school teacher and access to a shower would be a nice plus that I don't have.

If you could change or improve one thing about the experience, what would it be?

I feel like riding the streets is a good experience for me but I know it makes a lot of people hesitant and uncomfortable. Having more dedicated bike lanes and more off street or bike only spaces would open up riding to a wider public.

Why do you ride?

I ride because the feeling of getting yourself from point A to Point B on my own power is exhilarating. Taking the time to ride and observe the world around me is the goal. I truly love to be out on my bike when I have the chance to do it.

If you would like to be considered for Bicyclist of the Month, submit a photograph of yourself on your bike and your responses to bikeEuclid@gmail.com.

Bike Euclid is a local advocacy group working to promote a comprehensive stress free bicycling network for transportation and pleasure, and to encourage and connect bicyclists to resources which support their safe and legal use of their bicycle. Bike Euclid is a chapter of Bike Cleveland.

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Local, No-cost, Residential-Training Program Graduates Skilled Workers



by Gina M. Tabasso

The background

Are you aware of a skilled-workforce resource in your own backyard that can help your business fill positions or help someone you know get no-cost job training? At 13421 Coit Road, in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland, there are a bunch of yellow buildings behind a fence that look like a small college campus or a military base. They house Cleveland Job Corps offices and classrooms, its 100 employees and space for 346 residents, aged 16-24.

In 1964, as part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty program, which also included Head Start, Job Corps began repurposing and renovating former military installations into dormitories and classrooms.

The current Cleveland location is the third in the area and was built in 2007-2008. The first was on Ansel Road near Martin Luther King Blvd. The second was in the Tudor Arms Hotel on Carnegie Ave. There are 126 Job Corps locations in the United States with at least one in every state. In Ohio, there are three locations: Cleveland, Dayton and Cincinnati.

Owned by The U.S. Department of Labor, the facilities are operated by private contractors. Serrato Corporation of Tucson, Arizona has operated the Cleveland facility since 2012, in addition to Blue Ridge, Virginia, and is a subcontractor at the Charleston, West Virginia, facility.

Mr. William Houston has been the Cleveland center's director since 2012. He has been with Job Corps for 17 years and is a Dayton, Ohio, native. He says, "We have



evolved from an organization that was perceived as a last-ditch effort if a student didn't finish high school and have shifted to a residential vocational-training center for. We are seeing more students who finished high school and who want to take advantage of free technical career training. Often, students were homeless because of the current trend of couch surfing or crashing temporarily with family and friends. They usually have had jobs but want a career and don't want to pay \$10,000-20,000 for a college training program."

How that happens

There are five phases to the program:

- Outreach and recruitment
- Career preparation orientation (60 days receiving employability skills, customer service coaching and an array of self-assessments, as well as basic certifications, including information technology skills and program-placement assessments)
- Career development (six months to one year of training in the facility, offsite at Cuyahoga Community College and in work-based training internships; all transportation is provided)
- Career transition (one to two months prior to leaving, students work with staff to develop a departure plan while obtaining employability certificates and credentials, as well as resume and portfolio preparation)
- Student placement services for up to 1.5 years from graduation (centers are held by the government to a 92-percent placement goal for graduating students, which includes employment, the military, a college

or advanced training)

During their time in the program, students receive free housing, basic medical care, meals, education, training, entertainment and recreation, and a biweekly living-allowance stipend that some save in order to become independent. They also are exposed to a positive normative culture with a zero-tolerance policy (no drugs or alcohol, bullying, violence, weapons or arrests). Students can go home on the weekends and during the holidays. They are drug tested upon admission.

The program is self-paced; so, students can start any day of the year and graduate all year long, not in a set semester-style like other schools. Last year, Cleveland had an 89-percent placement rate. But, to keep that percentage high, they need the help of local companies.

What's in it for employers

The Job Corps screens graduates and works with employers as a pipeline for graduate placement. The organization produces future workers and feeds the workforce with well-trained, motivated, entry-level employees. Employers can provide students with the training that they need while, at the same time, giving the student a "trial run" in a paid or unpaid internship. When students graduate, many companies end up hiring them because the students already have basic safety skills, life skills, industry certifications and on-the-job training, unlike hiring someone from a temporary or job-placement agency.

Some of the local companies that have benefited by hiring graduates include Don-

ley's Construction, Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals, John Carroll University, Swagelok and Pipefitters.

The Cleveland facility trains students in four industries: advanced manufacturing (facilities maintenance, machine technology and welding), construction (heavy equipment operator, bricklaying and carpentry), health care (child care development, clinical medical assistant, medical administrative assistant, nurse assistant/home health aide, emergency medical technician), and security and protective services. Job Corps currently is partnering with Dan T. Moore Company and Workroom Program Alliance to equip a welding and machine shop on campus so that students do not need to travel to Tri-C.

In closing, Houston says, "We want to increase awareness that there's a training facility preparing young adults for the workforce right here in Cleveland at no cost to the student. Our mission is to get young adults ready, and they are willing and able. These are the youth who stood up and decided to be proactive. They're here, not on the streets. They have the skills, training, education and drive to become your next great employee."

If you're interested in partnering with Cleveland Job Corps, you can contact Harriet Hadley, business community liaison, at 216-541-2526 or Hadley.Harriet@jobcorps.org. Gina M. Tabasso, marketing communications specialist, HGR Industrial Surplus, www.hgrinc.com

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SHORE CULTURAL CENTRE

Shore Cultural Centre is professionally managed by the Coral Company.

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Shore Cultural Centre
Presents a special Readers Theater Event:
August Wilson's HOW I LEARNED WHAT I LEARNED
Co-Conceived by Todd Kroidler
Directed by Terrence Spivey
With Peter Lawson Jones as August Wilson
Saturday, March 25, 7:30pm
General Admission \$10 adults,
\$8.00 for 62+ and youth under 18.
Includes talk-back discussion by
Terrence Spivey and Peter Lawson Jones.

Special VIP "Play your pART" package to raise funds for performing arts at Shore \$40.00. Includes special pre-show reception with Terrence Spivey, appetizers & refreshments, after show coffee with snack, and Spivey autographed 8.5x11 show poster. **Reserve by March 20th.**



"How I Learned What I Learned" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

Shore Cultural Centre presents a
Community Engagement Panel on the Arts
with Terrence Spivey, hosted by
WEWS Channel 5 anchor Leon Bibb.

Join us on **Wednesday, March 15, at 7pm** for this special evening to introduce Terrence Spivey and to discuss the importance of arts in a community.

The panel will also include:
Peter Lawson Jones, who will be portraying August Wilson in Shore's *How I Learned What I Learned* readers theater.
Laura Kidder, Executive Director Shore Cultural Centre
Chris Cipriani, Dir. of Programming Shore Cultural Centre
Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, City of Euclid Mayor
Taneika Hill, City of Euclid Councilperson
Daryl Langman, City of Euclid Councilperson
Rich Lea, Shore Cultural Centre Corp. Board President

Upcoming classes, check website for more listings:
CULINARY: Asian 3/24, Mexican 4/21
SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY: March 25
Save the Date: April 30th for the Victorian Tea.
Details coming soon!

For tickets or the "Play your pART" package,
visit our website or office or call for info.
Don't miss this exclusive one night engagement!

Shore Cultural Centre offers an array of arts and educational programming in the heart of downtown Euclid

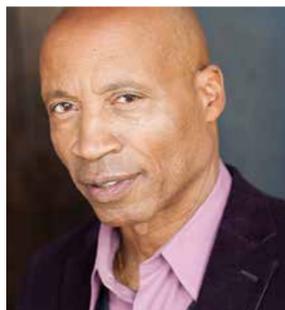
August Wilson's "How I Learned What I Learned" and a Community Discussion on the Arts with Terrence Spivey to be at Shore in March



Terrence Spivey, new Artistic Associate at Shore Cultural Centre and director of August Wilson's *How I Learned What I Learned* on March 25th.

by Chris Cipriani
The arts will take center stage this month at Shore Cultural Centre beginning with a Community Engagement Panel on the Arts with Terrence Spivey, hosted by WEWS Channel 5 anchor Leon Bibb, which will take place on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00pm. Then, on Saturday, March 25th a readers theater performance directed by Terrence Spivey, new Artistic Associate at Shore, of August Wilson's autobiographical one person play *How I Learned What I Learned*, presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC., will grace the Shore stage.

The open to the public panel discussion is being held to introduce Terrence Spivey



Peter Lawson Jones, portraying August Wilson in the autobiographical *How I Learned What I Learned* at Shore on March 25th.

to the Euclid community, as well as discuss Shore and the value of the arts in a community. Also joining the panel will be Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, City of Euclid Mayor; Laura Kidder, Shore Cultural Centre Executive Director; Chris Cipriani, Shore Cultural Centre Director of Programming; Taneika Hill, Euclid City Council; Daryl Langman, Euclid City Council; Rich Lea, Shore Cultural Centre Board President and Peter Lawson Jones, who will be portraying August Wilson in *How I Learned What I Learned*.

August Wilson's *How I Learned What I Learned* is a one-man show that chronicles his life as a black artist in the Hill District in Pittsburgh. From stories about his first jobs to his first loves and his experiences with racism, the Pulitzer Prize winning playwright recounts his life from his roots to the completion of the Century Cycle, ten plays which chronicle the African

American experience in the 20th century. *How I Learned What I Learned* gives an inside look into one of the most celebrated playwrights of the 20th century. Terrence Spivey will make his Shore Cultural Centre directorial debut working with actor Peter Lawson Jones in a readers theater format of this poignant and humorous one act monologue. Peter Lawson Jones is an actor (member of both SAG-AFTRA and Actors Equity), playwright ("The Bloodless Jungle" and "The Family Line"), attorney, business consultant and former elected official.

The readers theater event on March 25th is being held to raise funds to grow performing arts offerings at Shore. There will be a special "Play Your pART" all-inclusive package price for *How I Learned What I Learned*. For \$40.00 you will receive priority seating, an invitation to a pre-show reception beginning at 6pm with Terrence Spivey which includes appetizers and refreshments, and an after-show coffee and snack which you may enjoy while listening to the talk-back discussion which will take place on stage with Terrence Spivey and

Peter Lawson Jones. Regular general admission seating is \$10.00 for adults, \$8.00 for seniors over 62, or youth under 18. The performance will begin at 7:30pm. If you have questions or to reserve, call 216-289-8578 or visit www.shoreculturalcentre.com. Reservations for the "Play Your pART" package deadline is March 20th.

"I am truly looking forward to participating in the Shore Cultural Center's March fundraising event", states Peter Lawson Jones. "To have the opportunity to simultaneously work with my good friend, Terrence Spivey, tell the personal story of one of America's greatest dramatists and help raise funds for an arts organization that is clearly on the rise - well, that's the trifecta."

Terrence Spivey added, "I'm very excited in bringing one of the 20th century's most respected voices with Peter Lawson Jones to the Shore stage. Not just for the purpose of raising funds, but to also bring awareness to the community on how relevant and universal his work is to all races."

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Community

Lake Erie Folk Fest Fills Shore Cultural Centre



Tuvan throat singing ensemble Alash during their sound check for the Lake Erie Folk Fest. Photo by Stephen Herron

by Jim Spittle

It seemed as though every hall and empty room and space inside the Shore Cultural Centre was filled Saturday, February 25, with the foot tappin' sounds of folk music during the 2nd Annual Lake Erie Folk Festival. Folk and traditional music lovers from Northeast Ohio (and far away as Missouri and Minnesota), enjoyed and took part in a variety of events throughout the day and night. Exact numbers are not yet known but an estimated 1,000 people attended the free afternoon events and the evening concert in the Shore auditorium. The festival was produced by the Shore Cultural Centre and the Northeast Ohio Heritage Music Association (NEOHMA).

People were spotted having spontaneous jam sessions backstage in the auditorium, the hallway near the Shore offices, basement corridors and the Culinary Bistro which was open serving food for Festival attendees and participants. Banjos, fiddles and even metal saw bowing serenaded visitors as they entered the Shore throughout the day.

Workshops covered claw hammer banjo, ukulele and upright bass playing techniques; guitar making; folk dancing and bluegrass music. A workshop on throat singing given by the Tuvan ensemble Alash (who also performed that evening) filled the old band room with many standing along the sides and back. Young people were entertained with various kinds of dancing, storytelling and roots music. The community room had a constant flow of people listening to performances by area musical artists and poets. Downstairs in the Culinary Bistro, Chef Dan and his students were served sandwiches of all kinds to many of the hungry attendees. No matter where one found themselves during the day, you were met with big smiles and spirit lifting music.

That evening, many of the same people and more were treated to a concert featuring the kind of musical artists one would expect at an event of such quality. The show kicked off with the soul stirring blues of Austin Walk' Cane singing and playing his steel guitar. The Able Brothers and Stand



Sheela Das conducts a workshop on ukulele playing during the Lake Erie Folk Festival. Photo by Stephen Herron

Bayou followed with renditions of bluegrass and Cajun music tunes. After a short intermission, 18-year-old singer/songwriter and Wakeman, Ohio resident Emily Keener, captured the hearts of the audience with her original material. Emily performed solo but filled the auditorium with her strong vocals and guitar playing. She then joined the enthusiastic audience in watching spell-bound the Tuvan throat singing ensemble Alash. The three musicians sang and played instruments of their homeland, Tuva, (near Mongolia) that mesmerized the audience with their unique sounds and rhythms. Enthusiastic applause and cheering followed each tune in their 50-minute performance. The members were able to enlist the audience in a singalong of a native song much to everyone's delight. At the end, the crowd, in unison, came to its feet applauding until Alash returned to the stage for one more tune. The over-three-hour concert left the hundreds who attended thrilled and happy to have been a part. It was a special evening, indeed, with such a variety of sounds and

music types. The Lake Erie Folk Festival was generously support by the Char & Chuck Fowler Family Foundation, Studio Strings in Medina, the Village Blacksmith and Sam Ash Music Stores along with the many who donated to the Festival on-line at Indi-egogo.com. In addition, both Shore and NEOHMA enlisted the valuable assistance of their many loyal volunteers. "You hear a lot about this or that event could not have been done without volunteers—the Folk Fest really could not be presented without the crucial help from ourvolunteers!", said Chris Cipriani, Director of Programming and Marketing of the Shore Cultural Centre. And yes, there will be a 3rd Lake Erie Folk Fest next February! Stayed tuned for that date.

The Shore Cultural Centre is located at: 291 East 222nd Street Euclid, OH 44123. Phone: 216-289-8578 Website: www.shoreculturalcentre.com. For further information contact: Jim Spittle, Programming & Marketing Manger

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School News

Noble Academy Cleveland Robotics Team Advances to East Super-Regional Championship Tournament!



by Amber Chapman

After competing in the Pennsylvania State Championship this past weekend, our 9812 T-Noble Robotics Team took home two awards and are going to the 2016-2017 East Super-Regional Championship Tournament March 17-19th!

Just this past weekend, 9812 T-Noble Robotics Team rose to the top at the Pennsylvania State Championship! Once again, they took away two awards. This time they were Winning Alliance Captain Award and

Judge's Award.

Now they will advance to the next level and head to the 2016-1017 East Super-Regional Championship Tournament being held at the University of Scranton, in Scranton, PA, March 17-19. They will be competing against the top 72 teams out of 800 that competed from 14 different states! Twenty teams are expected to advance from Scranton to First Tech Challenge World Championship (this is an international competition for 7-12th graders run by FIRST.



Noble Academy is so proud of these leaders and the 8th graders who are persistent and strive for excellence. We wish them luck as they advance to the East Super-Regional Championship!

"FIRST Tech Challenge is an international competition for seventh- through 12th-graders. FIRST* "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology" is a New Hampshire-based nonprofit organization whose mission is to encourage learning in the fields of science, technology,

engineering and mathematics (STEM). The objective is to inspire young people to be science and technology leaders, by engaging them in exciting mentor-based programs that build science, engineering and technology skills, that inspire innovation, and that foster well-rounded life capabilities including self-confidence, communication and leadership."

Local Student Named Ohio National Geographic State Bee Semifinalist by National Geographic Society



Michael Ward will once again compete at the State Geographic Bee in Columbus.

by Kristi Ward

Michael Ward, an eighth grader at St. Robert and William Catholic School, has been notified by the National Geographic Society that he is one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2017 Ohio National Geographic State Bee. The contest will be held at The Fawcett Center in Columbus on Friday, March 31, 2017.

This is Michael's second year attending the State Geographic Bee in Columbus. Michael is a three-time winner of the school Geography Bee at St. Robert and William in Euclid, winning in his fifth, seventh and eighth grade years. Michael earned the runner up title in his sixth and third grade years.

This is the second level of the National Geographic Bee competition, which is now in its 29th year. School Bees were held in schools with fourth- through eighth-grade students throughout the state to determine each school champion. School champions then took a qualifying test, which they submitted to the National Geographic Society. The National Geographic Society has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Department of Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to compete in the State Bees.

Each state champion will receive \$100, the National Geographic Concise Atlas of the World, 4th Edition and a trip to Washington, D.C., to represent their state

in the National Geographic Bee Championship to be held at National Geographic Society headquarters, May 14-17, 2017. The national champion will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the Society, including a subscription to National Geographic magazine, and an all expenses paid Lindblad expedition to the Galápagos Islands aboard the new National Geographic Endeavour II. Travel for the trip is provided by Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic. Visit www.nat-geobee.org for more information on the National Geographic Bee.

The National Geographic Channel and Nat Geo WILD will air the 2017 National Geographic Bee Championship, moderated by journalist and humorist Mo Rocca, on Friday, May 19, at 8 p.m. ET. Public television stations will broadcast the final round at a later date. Check local television listings for the air date and time in your area.

How would you fare as a Bee contestant? At the school Bees this year, students had to answer questions like these:

The North Platte and South Platte Rivers meet in which state—New Mexico or Nebraska? Nebraska

Which landmark in Washington, D.C., was burned by the British in 1814—the Washington Monument or the White House? White House

Sea otters sometimes wrap themselves in kelp when resting to keep from drifting away. Sea otters can be found near eastern Russia in the Sea of Okhotsk in which ocean? Pacific Ocean

The island of Mauritius [maw-RISH-uhs] in the Indian Ocean has multicolored sand dunes. It's weird, but it's true! Mauritius lies off the southeast coast of which continent that includes the Kalahari Desert? Africa

What is the term for an underground layer of rock that holds groundwater—an arroyo or an aquifer? aquifer

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School Graduate Daniel Gail Named to Fall Semester Dean's List at The College of Wooster

by Sarah Stanley

WOOSTER, Ohio — Daniel Gail, a graduate of Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at The College of Wooster. Gail, a first-year student from Euclid, achieved a grade point average of 3.65 or above.

The College of Wooster is America's premier college for mentored undergradu-

ate research. Every Wooster senior works one-on-one with a faculty adviser to create an original research project, written work, performance, or art exhibit. In the process, each develops independent judgment, analytical ability, creativity, project-management and time-management skills, and strong written- and oral-communication skills. Founded in 1866, the college enrolls approximately 2,000 students.

Two Track Events = Two Tri-C Records for Euclid's Rashida Harris



by John Horton

Rashida Harris of Euclid shattered two Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) indoor track and field records while com-

peting in February at the Jim Muske Invitational.

Harris topped her own school records in the shot put and weight throw while winning both events at the invitational, held at the Peterson Field House on the University of Mount Union campus in Alliance. She unleashed a heave of 49 feet, 8.75 inches in the shot put to set the College record for the third time. Harris also extended her school mark in the weight throw with a toss of 55 feet, 11.25 inches.

The sophomore from Euclid will compete in both field events at the 2017 NJCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships. Last year, she earned All-American honors in the shot put after placing fifth at the national meet.

Harris is working toward an Associate of Science degree at Tri-C with a focus in physical therapy.

For more information on the women's track team, visit www.tri-c.edu/athletics.

As you think, so shall you become.
- Bruce Lee

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VASJ to offer Summer Enrichment Programs

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School is excited to be offering two Summer Enrichment Programs during the month of June for students entering grades 5-8.

The first camp, taking place June 12-16, will be a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Space Program. Students will view the stars in a planetarium, build and launch rockets like a NASA engineer, and create a scale model of the Solar System.

The second camp, taking place from June 19-23, is a Fine Arts Program. Students will write a skit, design and create props and backdrops, as well as act out their creation.

Both camps will be held at VASJ from 9 a.m. to noon. There is a discount being offered to those who register for both camps and families with multiple students.

For more information and to register, please visit vasj.com/summer. Deadline to register is March 31, 2017.

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

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Multiple student discounts are available for families. Please contact us for more details.

VASJ's Academic Decathlon team earns 16 medals at regionals



VASJ's 2016-17 Academic Decathlon team from left to right: John Parker, Brenton Petras, Shauna Burkes, Tyonna Davis, Davante Callahan, and Misrach Ewunetie.

The Academic Decathlon has been a great addition to VASJ this year. The first time the school has offered the program, the team is off to a great start.

When Bob Seitz came to VASJ this year to teach Honors Geometry, he brought with him years of Academic Decathlon experience. VASJ didn't have the program so he asked Principal David Csank if he could start one.

"I know how worthy the program is for students," Seitz says. "I thought that VASJ would benefit from having an academic decathlon."

Csank agreed and Seitz started building his team. They began practicing in September and have been practicing once a week ever since.

The United States Academic Decathlon is a nation-wide program

that introduces high school students to college-level curriculum, giving them the opportunity to excel academically through team competition.

VASJ competed in the regional competition on January 21, in all 10 events including art, economics, essay, interview, literature, mathematics, music, science, social science, and speech.

Out of the 60 medals awarded at the competition, VASJ students earned 16 of them.

Seitz was proud but to him, the competition isn't about winning.

"Medals are fine," Seitz says. "But the really important thing is the knowledge that the students gain, above and beyond what they learn in school."

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Power of the Pen Propels Students to Success



Both the 7th and 8th grade teams at Our Lady of the Lake are sending students to the Regional Power of the Pen competition on April 1.

Power of the Pen is a powerful program! Through this after-school writing program, students at Our Lady of the Lake are developing skills that can take them far in life. Every Tuesday, throughout the school year, fifteen 7th and 8th grade students meet for 40 minutes to hone their persuasive, literary and expository skills – and to compete against other students across the region. Approximately 10,000 students in Ohio take part in this program each year, and OLL students are up for the competition. In the past five years of offering the program, OLL teams have gone to regionals every year, and for the last three years have gone to State level competition. Both the 7th and 8th grade teams are heading to regionals this year, so wish them luck on April 1, when they'll be competing for top prizes at Padua High School.

And once they graduate middle school, how is this program helpful? Just ask Khalim Mitchell, a VASJ sophomore who had his first article published in Affinity Magazine, and is now an official staff writer for the online publication. An alumni of Our Lady of the Lake School, he credits participation in Power of the Pen for kick-starting his creative talents.

All of the students at OLL acknowledge the mentoring and support they get from their three Power of the Pen faculty advisors, Mrs. Zigman, Mrs. Millett and Mrs. Kish. The guidance these teachers and coaches offer is helping to foster a love of creative expression and the strong communication skills that will benefit these students for a lifetime. So power up those pens, because great things happen when these students start writing!



Mrs. Millett is one of three teachers who coaches Power of the Pen students to success at Our Lady of the Lake School.

What Does Power of the Pen Mean to Students?

Power of the Pen (POP) has affected my life because I have made so many new friends, I have greatly increased my writing and creative ability, and I have learned to believe in myself more and do the best that I can. I have learned not to second-guess myself and to feel positive about every assignment or story I submit, in and out of POP. I have learned that you always learn from your mistakes and do better in the next thing you do and take away the lessons from your mistake. That is how Power of the Pen has affected me.

- Anika Duhigg, 7th Grade

Power of the Pen has influenced my life in many ways. When I joined Power of the Pen, I began to realize my writing potential. Each topic we get improves my creativity and helps me think outside the box. When I write, it lets me let all of my emotions and creativity out. Our Power of the Pen leaders, Mrs. Millett, Mrs. Zigman, and Mrs. Kish, are huge influences. They always have something positive to say and are always trying to help our team improve. I honestly don't know where I would be without them. They have taught me that I can be an amazing writer if I practice and put my mind to it. I am so thankful that I have had the pleasure to be a part of Power of the Pen.

- Madeline Jarosz, 8th Grade

Join us for Lent and Holy Week at Our Lady of the Lake

Our Lady of the Lake is happy to welcome you -- during Holy Week and throughout the year. Come and see!

Evening Prayer
All Sundays during Lent
6:30 pm in the Church

Individual Confessions
Diocesan-Wide Individual Confessions
Wednesday, March 15
5-8 pm in Church

Living Stations
The Youth Ministry will be presenting Living Stations on Friday, April 7 at 8 pm in the Church

Stations of the Cross
The church will be open on Fridays during Lent until 8 pm for individual Stations of the Cross. Booklets are available in the Church.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
Palm Sunday
Saturday, April 8 at 4 pm
Sunday, April 9 at 8 am, 10am and 12pm.

Tenebrae ~ April 12

Wednesday April 16 at 7p
An old prayer that moves us from light into darkness as preparation for the Triduum.

Holy Thursday ~ April 13
Morning Prayer at 8 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 pm - Begins the sacred Triduum And includes the ritual washing of feet.

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament - Until 10:30 pm.

Good Friday ~ April 14
Morning Prayer at 8 am

Stations of the Cross
with Community Leaders at 12 pm

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7 pm - We solemnly proclaim the events surrounding the death and burial of Christ.

Holy Saturday ~ April 15
Morning Prayer at 8 am
Blessing of the Food Baskets at 12 pm

Easter Vigil Mass at 9 pm
The pinnacle of our liturgical year and the beginning of our celebration of Easter. Celebrate the joy of the Resurrection.

Easter Sunday ~ April 16
Mass at 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm
Alleluia, He is Risen!

Eagle Scout Helps Us Respect the Flag



by Steven Savanick

"No man ever steps into the same river twice, for it's not the same river and he's not the same man." said Heraclitus. This quote perfectly exemplifies how my life has been changed because of Scouting. Scouting

has propelled me into achieving many accomplishments not just in scouting but in academics and personal development. To begin I joined the Cub Scouts and steadily progressed through the ranks, eventually achieving the rank of Webelo and encouraging me to cross over to the Boy Scouts. From there it was onward and upward, learning scouting characteristics and applying them to my everyday life. The Boy Scouts' highest rank is the Eagle Scout. This rank is more than just a badge, it is an accomplishment that will follow you throughout the rest of your life. To achieve this rank, you must do an Eagle Project -- a project that the scout is in charge of and that will benefit the community. My eagle project was a flag collection system in Euclid. The flag stations are placed in public areas like the library, City Hall and churches. The flags will be collected and taken to proper places where the flag can be retired with respect.

Women and the Word

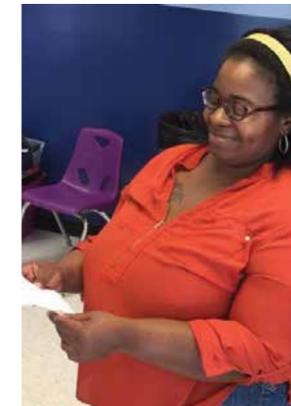
Our Lady of the Lake is proud to be providing a welcoming and supportive environment for preaching the Sunday Lectionary from a woman's perspective this season. Please join us in praying the Lenten Scriptures at 7:00pm these four Thursdays in March at Our Lady of the Lake, 19951 Lakeshore Blvd.
March 9 (Second Sunday of Lent)
Laurie Jurecki, Pastoral Associate
St. Mary Magdalene Church

March 16 (Third Sunday of Lent)
Laura Bregar, OSU, Councilor
Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland
March 23 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)
Lisa Frey, Pastoral Associate
Resurrection Church
March 30 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)
Joan Nuth, Director
JCU Ignatian Spirituality Institute
For more information, please visit www.OLL Euclid.org, or call (216) 486-0850. All are welcome!

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Black History Month



Thank you Ms. Parker for volunteering your time.



Black History Month Trading Cards from the first grade classrooms.

A big shout-out to Ms. Parker!! She volunteered her time and came in to share a poem written by actress, singer, dancer, author, and civil rights activist Maya An-



Students watched videos during lunch about Brown V. Board of Education, Little Rock Nine, and sang along with Lift Every Voice and Sing.



Black History Month Timeline from 3rd Grade

gelou for Black/African American History Month. Ms. Parker read to the students, "Caged Bird". She also hosted a kid-friendly video prior to reading the poem to give

our students a quick background of who Maya Angelou was. She did this during lunch time for all four lunches and even assisted in cleanup for each lunch too! Check



So many great books to choose from!



Middle School Students created multimedia projects during for the 2nd Annual Student Film Festival.

out the other photos to see what we were up to this month!

Door Decorating Contest



Mrs. Hall and Mr. L's homeroom won the door decorating contest and danced away during their ice cream dance party!



We had such beautiful Valentine's Doors!

Save the Date Imagine Bella's Spring Performance will be on May 17th from 6-8 pm at the Shore Cultural Centre!



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Here are a few reasons why we think you should choose Euclid Schools:

This year, Euclid High School students took 322 College Credit Plus classes on campus through a partnership with Lake Erie College. These courses covered typical general education requirements in English, math, social science, science, and art. It offers students high school and college credits simultaneously, saving millions of dollars in college tuition. Last year, Euclid families experienced a savings of \$2.3 million in college tuition.

Euclid High School students have access to 22 Career Tech programs, six of which are offered on our campus with two being added in 2017. CISCO Networking, Criminal Justice, Culinary Arts, Visual Communication, Fire Science/EMT, Automotive Service Technology, Welding (opens 2017), Patient Care Technology (opens 2017).

Students are exposed to robust fine arts programming from elementary school through high school. At the secondary level; marching and concert bands, orchestra, show choir, acapella choir, award-winning spring musical, fall play, digital and black/white photography, and studio art.

Euclid Schools teachers far exceed the average years of teaching experience, (with an average of 12 years teaching experience) compared to that of charter schools teachers in Euclid (with an average of 2-4 years teaching experience). 65.6% of our teaching staff hold master's degrees, which is double the amount of charter school teachers holding masters' degrees.

Join us April 4-7 to learn more about why your child's future starts here! Call 216-797-2984 to RSVP or learn more.

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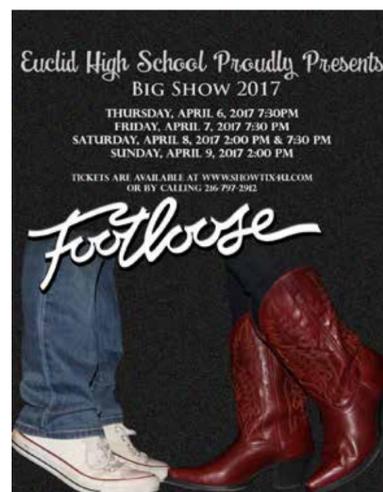
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| <p>Arbor & Bluestone Elementary Schools</p> <p>Ice Cream Social/ Open House Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm</p> | <p>Chardon Hills & Shoreview Elementary Schools</p> <p>Pizza with the Panther/ Open House Wednesday, April 5 at 6:30 pm</p> |
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Bus driver appreciation week was February 13-17th! This year our awesome Bluestone Panthers wrote thank you notes and made signs for their school bus drivers.

Big Show is back and better than ever

If you didn't make it to last year's Dazzle Award nominated Big Show: *West Side Story*, fear not! Euclid High School actors, actresses, crew, and orchestra are prepared to once again, knock your socks off! This year's Big Show is *Footloose*, the musical version of the classic 1984 film. *Footloose* is the story of Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago. He and his mother move to the small town of Bomont after his father abandons them. Upon arriving, Ren finds himself at odds with most of the town, including the Reverend Bomont. The Reverend has convinced the town to outlaw dancing, which Ren finds unbelievable. With the help of the Ariel (the Reverend's daughter) and Willard (a country hick who becomes his best friend), Ren convinces the Reverend to let the teenagers dance, and in the process helps the town to heal from a tragedy that affected them all. We hope you will join us April 6-9th, we promise you will be "dazzled!"



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Panthers commit to the future

On February 1, 2017, the Euclid High School Athletic Department hosted a National Signing Day event where five of our senior football players committed to continuing their education and sport at the collegiate level. Congratulations to the following young men:

- Jaylin Nolden - University at Buffalo
- Noah Mitchell - Milford Academy
- Terrell Lee - The University of Charleston
- Geino Webb - Lake Erie College
- Isiah Claytor - West Liberty University

Additionally, the following players will sign but have not yet committed; Adam White, Cortez Hart, Ramon Collins, Davonte Shockley, Eric Jones, Michael Byrne, Rashon Moultry, and Tommie Glinsey. We are Panther Proud of these outstanding student-athletes.



Photo: Noah Mitchell, Jaylin Nolden, Jeff Rotsky, Geino Webb, Terrell Lee, and Isiah Claytor

Harris trades in 'blue and gold' for 'green and white'



"Blue and gold make green," said head EHS Girls Basketball Coach, Lynn Phillips, "so trading in her 'gold E' for a 'green E,' is just a blending of her true colors." Next fall, Euclid High School senior Rayjon Harris will step on the court to join the Eastern Michigan Eagles Women's Basketball Team. This GCC First Team Honoree (2015-2016) helped her team win the District Championship and advance to Regionals two years in a row. Rayjon has been the Lady Panthers' leading rebounder and shot blocker for the past two seasons.

The Lady Panthers beat the Mentor Cardinals to win the Perry District Championship on March 2, with the help of Harris' 30 points. You can watch Rayjon and the Lady Panthers on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:15 PM at the Canton Civic Center as they face the Canton McKinley Bulldogs in the regional competition.

We are Panther Proud of the dedication, hard work, and heart that Rayjon has put into both her school work as well as her time on the court. Miss Harris is an outstanding example of what it means to be a Euclid Panther. Congratulations to the Harris Family on this tremendous accomplishment. Make us proud!

Eighth Grade College Visits

March 1 was a busy day for Euclid High School! While the junior class took their SAT, our eighth-graders got a taste of their potential futures. Students spent the morning rotating through our six on-site career tech programs. Teachers shared program certifications, college credits and potential careers opportunities. In the afternoon, students went off-campus to tour Lake Erie College, Lakeland Community College, Tri-C East, Tri-C Metro, Kent, Cleveland state, and Lorain Community College.



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AGES 3-4 AT 10:30AM AGES 7-8 AT 11:00AM

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Bluestone kindergarten students celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday and national Read Across America week!



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Community

Euclid's Storefront Renovation Program: Funding Economic Growth



The City of Euclid's Storefront Renovation program provided partial funding for renovations of commercial buildings on E.200th Street (top photo) and E.185th Street (bottom photo).

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

For over thirty years, the Euclid Department of Planning & Development's Storefront Renovation Program has provided grants to renovate retail, commercial, and industrial properties located in the City of Euclid.

One of the more recent Storefront Renovation Program projects involved the building at 524 East 200th Street, purchased in 2016 by developer Michael Gatto of the Gatto Group. This was his first project in Euclid and he is currently looking for an established retail tenant. The building is approximately 1200 sf and almost completely rebuilt - from new HVAC and electrical systems to new windows and doors, the later partially funded by the City of Euclid.

Another recent project proved to be a great collaboration with the City of Euclid and Northeast Shores Development Corporation at 625-627 East 185th Street. The building

owner, Northeast Shores, applied on behalf of two tenants - Shore Carpet and Resurrection Cycle. Since the time of the application, Resurrection Cycle has relocated and Little Giants - a new business to Euclid - is expected to begin leasing the newly renovated space this spring.

The renovation included the removal of wood siding to reveal the original brick façade, new exterior lighting and sign panels. The biggest change is the installation of new storefront windows which allow Shore Carpet to display their merchandise and attract buyers. The cost of the project so far is approximately \$135,000 (of which Euclid contributed \$50,000). Northeast Shores continues to invest to update the roof and HVAC system.

The Program uses Community Development Block Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to stimulate exterior building renovations and improve the overall appearance of the City by making grants to Program participants. The grant reimbursements are generally 50% of the total cost of eligible improvement expenses, up to \$25,000. The Program requires participants to obtain the services of a Design Professional to prepare and submit detailed construction drawings to the City for review and approval.

Both projects are in Councilman Kristian Jarosz's Ward 4. He remarked, "The City's Storefront Renovation Program is a great way to help provide properties a much needed facelift and is an important component in revitalizing our core retail and commercial districts."

For more information of the Storefront Renovation Program and other Business Incentives, please call Marty Castelletti at 216-289-8141.

Proceeds from Credit Unions' Candy Bar Sales Support Euclid Hunger Center

by Dave Godek

Proceeds from a yearlong candy bar sale at several area credit unions will provide about 1,400 meals for the Euclid Hunger Center to serve local families.

In February, Eaton Family Credit Union CEO Mike Losneck presented a check for \$350 to Euclid Hunger Center Manager Kay O'Donnell. She said the money will be used to get food from the Cleveland Foodbank to distribute as meals for hungry Euclid residents.

According to the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, for every \$1 donated, four meals can be provided to people in the community.

Losneck said the annual candy bar sale is a collaboration of 10 credit unions from Lake and Cuyahoga counties known as the Northeast Credit Union Outreach Alliance. Each credit union sells candy bars at its branches, the proceeds are pooled together and then split amongst food pantries in the credit unions' membership areas.

Credit unions participating this year include Cardinal Community CU, L.E.O. CU, LCE FCU, Lake County Educational FCU, Bailey Controls FCU, Best Rewards FCU, Eaton Family CU, Painesville CU, ACME FCU, and Willoughby-Eastlake Schools CU.

College Scholarship Money Available

by Dave Godek

Eaton Family Credit Union and local partners are working to combat the high costs of post-secondary education by offering several scholarships for college to our Members and their family members. We are very proud to distribute the following college scholarship applications:

Eaton Family Credit Union will be providing a \$5,000 scholarship in remembrance of Matt Logies and another \$5,000 award to graduating high school seniors majoring in Business or Finance. Applicants or an immediate relative must be a Member in good standing of EFCU to be eligible. Completed applications are due March 11, 2017.

The Northeast Credit Union Outreach Alliance is offering 4 scholarships: \$1,500 for first place and three additional awards

of \$1,000 each. To be eligible, entrants must be a Member of a participating local credit union and be in good standing. Completed applications are due March 31, 2017. Winners will be announced by April 14.

The Ohio Credit Union Foundation is offering a \$5,000 scholarship to a Member from any credit union in Ohio pursuing an undergraduate degree. Just develop a 60- to 150-second video answering the scholarship question, "How does being a Member of a not-for-profit credit union differ from traditional for-profit financial institutions?" Video scholarship applications can be submitted through April 30, 2017.

For more information and to get an application for any of these scholarships, please visit www.eatonfamilycu.com or call 216-920-2000.

Baker's Chocolate Whips

by Michael Prokop

For the 2017 Easter season Humphrey Popcorn Company is pleased to be able to continue the fine tradition of the Baker's Candy Famous Chocolate Whips.

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Action CARSTAR Auto Body of Euclid Expands - Hosts Euclid Chamber



by Cheryl Cameron

Action CARSTAR on St. Clair Avenue recently added 6,000 square feet of space to its existing auto body repair shop which created a new paint area to increase production capability and allow business to grow. To kick off the expansion celebration, Action Owner Tony Perrino hosted the

Euclid Chamber for their monthly "Coffee Connection" on Feb. 7th.

Approximately 30 members of the Chamber of Commerce got a tour of the newly renovated lobby and front office areas as well as the addition. The lobby was upgraded to add a new waiting area and refreshed with the CARSTAR colors as well



as new outside lighting and refinished exterior. Chamber members were impressed with new upgrades and many couldn't believe they were in a body shop!

Action, founded over 35 years ago, has been a member and heavily involved in the Euclid Chamber for over 10 years and wanted to show off the new space and get

feedback from the local business community. Action CARSTAR continues to deliver quality collision repair with its 5-year Nationwide Warranty and premier customer service.

Simplify Your Spring Cleaning

by Marianne Monaghan

You've decluttered, cleaned, and tidied your house. Now what do you do with all that stuff? Bring your unwanted items to the Henn Mansion any Wednesday evening from 7-8:30 p.m. Donated items will be used for our Annual Flea Market on April 28 and 29 which helps support restoration of the Mansion. We do not accept clothing, large furniture, electronics or exercise equipment. For more information, call 216-731-5060.



It take's everything!



by Jonah Kenney

You've decluttered, cleaned, and tidied Hello, Euclid, Ohio!! I am writing this article from Mcdonalds on Manchester Ave in Inglewood, CA it is 60 degrees and a little chilly. I am not aware of the goings' on in Euclid anymore due to moving here permanently. That being said I will still write these little articles to maintain the love I have for Euclid as it was my first place actually grew into my own man. Being adopted I never knew who I was and Euclid helped me realize it. Will always be extremely grateful for the opportunity to write in this newspaper, and share some photos with a population bigger than 1. Well till next time

Jonah TK Kenney

P.S Euclid's own Bill "Silver B" Richards said to tune in voiceitradio.com every Weds from 7-9pm to get the Silver B Edutainment RoyaltyRound tableshow

New On-Line Business Matchmaking Gives Area Companies Tool for World-Wide Growth

by Betsy O'Connell

Global contacts, partnerships and more are at the fingertips of area businesses that use the Opportunity Network platform. Citizens Bank is the first bank in the nation to offer its clients access to this proven service, which gives businesses access to an international network of 13,500 CEOs and billions of dollars in potential financing.

This is an efficient way for Ohio businesses to connect on-line with other businesses around the world. The service is an extra tool for businesses to use to expand their global reach, make international investment and partnering connections and more.

Through the Opportunity Network platform, users can seek trustworthy partners to help them expand into new markets, sell privately held enterprises, execute cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and maximize global asset utilization. Opportunity Network uses a proprietary algorithm designed to create efficiencies in global deal making by matching users' strategic preferences with current deals on the platform.

Citizens partnership with Opportunity Network is a clear demonstration of providing technology to help clients expand their businesses. As companies look for growth

both domestically and internationally, Citizens is a leader in helping them facilitate growth by offering exclusive access to the network.

"It made a lot of sense for us to partner with Citizens Bank because the Citizens team is committed to leveraging innovative digital technologies - both organically and through partnerships such as ours - to create better experiences for their clients and to provide smart solutions in the areas that matter most to them," said Garrett Smith, Opportunity Network founding partner and president, North America.

"Opportunity Network has an attractive value proposition for midsize businesses, and this collaboration gives us yet another way to help meet the needs of our customers at every stage of their life cycle," said Steve Woods, head of corporate banking for Citizens Bank. "Partnering with Opportunity Network helps us address an important issue: the fact that many midsize businesses and private investors could benefit from expanded tools and networks of contacts to grow."

More information about the Opportunity Network is available here. For more information about Citizens, visit the Citizens Commercial Banking website.

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Finding the True Meaning of Lent in a Rice Bowl



The CRS Rice Bowl allows people to collect their spare change for the poor during the season of Lent.

by Kristi Ward

For many, the pursuit of happiness often means pursuing more – more money, more things, more everything. Cluttered homes, overbooked schedules, excess weight and increased debt give us proof that our pursuit of more often has a sobering down side.

Enter the season of Lent, a time of giving up the excesses in our lives in order to gain more of what really matters.

"Lent is a season to return to the real meaning of happiness. So often we live our days as if our personal needs and wants were all that mattered," says Father Scott Goodfellow, assistant pastor at Ss. Robert and William Catholic Church.

"Instead of resting and enjoying the fruits of having secured these things for ourselves, we become agitated and desire more. Lent teaches us that our true satisfaction doesn't come from amassing stuff, but from looking out for the wellbeing of others."

What is Lent, and What Does It Mean to Different People?

For many, Lent conjures up images of Fish Fry dinners and friends who suffered

without sweets for weeks, but truly, Lent is more than fish dinners and chocolate cravings.

The main goal of Lent is to encourage people to fast, pray and give alms to the poor.

Marcia Granito, an active parishioner at SRW, says that for her, Lent has become a time for her to deepen her prayer life through loving and serving other people.

"Lent is the period of time, six weeks before Easter, in which Catholics strive in a special way to live out the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Some of those include praying for the living and the dead, forgiving wrongs (not holding grudges). A special way of doing that is by participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (going to confession) during Lent. The corporal works of mercy have to do with caring for the physical person - feed the hungry, shelter the homeless or giving alms to the poor. The meaning behind all of this, for me, is to live out Christ's command to love one another, and renewing our life in Christ," Mrs. Granito says.

Lent Also Invites Us to Stop and Listen

Another aspect of Lent that Father Goodfellow particularly enjoys is the silence of Lent and the resulting ability to truly listen.

"I love celebrating Mass in Lent. The silence, the somberness of the environment and music, and the Scripture readings chosen by the Church really set Lent apart from the rest of the year. I am able to receive the Word of God and the Eucharist in a beautiful way because the whole atmosphere of Mass in Lent seems to say, 'Listen,' Father Goodfellow adds.

Lent is a Time for Us to Share Our Excess Throughout Lent, parishioners and visitors at Catholic churches are invited to give up their excesses and share with the poor. Increasing daily prayer time, volunteering at local charities and serving meals at hunger centers are some practical ways to practice Lent and experience its true meaning.

One successful program used annually at Ss. Robert and William is the simple but effective tool known as the CRS Rice Bowl.

Rice Bowls are small cardboard boxes created by Catholic Relief Services that people take home, place on their tables and, instead of spending spare change on personal excesses, they deposit the money into the Rice Bowl throughout Lent.

The Rice Bowl boxes are collected at Easter, the spare change is counted and the result is a sizable and impactful donation that Catholic Relief Services uses to provide for the poor.

"Having the CRS Rice Bowl front and center in my life and in my parish life reminds me that I am my brother's keeper," says Father Goodfellow.

Programs like the CRS Rice Bowl answer the need for actionable ways people can help solve world hunger.

When asked how Jesus would solve world hunger, eighth grade SRW student Tommy Sweet responded, "Jesus is God and God can do all. Jesus could simply say 'let there be food for everyone' and there would be. I feel that God wants us humans to work together to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless and tend to the sick. We humans have a tendency to think of ourselves first. God works through us in mysterious ways."

Other Ways to Get Involved During Lent

"Start by contacting your local parish, church, or city outreach programs if you want some hands-on involvement. Get to know what these organizations are already doing and what your unique skill set may have to offer. See if you can do a fundraiser with your coworkers or among neighbors," Goodfellow says.

"Last year at Ss. Robert & William we raised money for a well in Kenya using www.thewaterproject.org. Visit www.crs.org for Catholic Relief Services resources and delicious Lenten recipes. The US Conference of Catholic Bishops website www.usccb.org/issues-and-action also has some great resources for more widespread issues. The Catholic Charities website also provides great informative and networking resources to get involved: <https://catholic-charitiesusa.org/get-involved>."

Lent and the initiatives designed to serve others make a meaningful difference to both the giver and the recipient.

Said one eighth grade SRW student, "What I learned (through the observance of Lent last year) was that you never know what someone's struggles are or were. And two, you never know how much something little can change someone's life."

So, while Lent is a time to go without, many find that giving up excesses for the sake of others allows them to grow in holiness and find a truer sense of peace and happiness.

For more information about Lent activities or to read more questions and answers about the CRS Rice Bowl Encounter from SRW parishioners and Father Scott Goodfellow, visit this link: <http://www.srweuclid.cc/ent-activities>

Rose-Mary Enhances Care for Children

by Judy Matsko

Rose-Mary is transforming the way it provides for children with developmental disabilities in Cuyahoga County. The agency recently transferred all of its residents who resided at the main facility into seven new innovative community homes, and it is expanding trauma responsive care training to all employees.

The seven new community homes, which were opened during the second half of 2016 at locations throughout Cuyahoga County, each house four to six children or young adults. Previously, all of Rose-Mary's young residents lived in the Rose-Mary Center in Euclid. The change from a single, large facility to multiple smaller homes will help better integrate the children with their communities. Further, Rose-Mary staff members at each location will be able to develop programs specific to their homes. This will help them build stronger relationships with the children and their families.

"We are continuing the ministry that is Rose-Mary, and moving it forward," said Gina Kerman, Executive Director at Rose-Mary. "We believe that all people should have a place to call home, whether or not they have a disability. We work with the

children and adults to form connections that are only possible by shopping, working, and playing in the communities where they live, just like we do."

Several of the homes were built new, while others were existing structures that were extensively renovated by Rose-Mary. The process of moving children into community homes was completed in December 2016. Although the homes have been completed and the children have moved, the \$4.6 million project still needs your support. To recognize the change, the organization will refer to itself as "Rose-Mary" moving forward, instead of "Rose-Mary Center."

All Rose-Mary staff members at the new community homes have been trained in trauma responsive care. Rose-Mary received a grant from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities to expand its trauma responsive care program to all employees. This cutting edge philosophy will ensure that the children and adults served receive support from a team who is responsive to their individual needs.

"This type of innovative, client driven care is instrumental in providing each child and adult a place where they are safe, con-

nected, and in control. We at Rose-Mary are focused on making our houses homes, so the children and adults can function and thrive in their communities. We can only do this with a committed, informed team of employees," said Kerman.

To jump-start expansion of trauma responsive care within other agencies who serve individuals with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities, Rose-Mary is hosting the Trauma Responsive Care Summit: Real World Applications of Emerging Best Practices on Thursday, June 22, from 9:00-4:00PM. At the event, which will be held at Landerhaven in Cleveland, leading trauma care experts will share their insights about the future of the field. Registration for the Trauma Responsive Care Summit will be available at www.rose-mary-center.com.

Rose-Mary will celebrate its 95th anni-

versary at the Enchanted Garden Dinner & Auction on June 9, at Landerhaven. To learn more or donate, contact Judith Matsko at jmatsko@rose-marycenter.com

About Rose-Mary

Rose-Mary continues the ministry of Jesus Christ by nurturing individuals with disabilities and celebrating love, family, dignity and faith within the community. For 95 years, families have turned to Rose-Mary for support and specialized services for their children. Rose-Mary believes that living life to its fullest potential is dependent upon the interaction of all who share our environment. At Rose-Mary, children and adults are given the opportunity to become active and integrated members of their local communities through the support of our generous donors.

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Community

Euclid Art Association Featured Two Premiere Watercolor Artists at our February Meeting



by Euclid Art Members

At our February 6, 2017 meeting we featured something special...a tag team watercolor demonstration by two of Ohio's premiere watercolor artists, Cathy Welner and Bob Moyer. These well known and very popular artists attracted a large number of people to our meeting and the good weather helped, too. For the middle of winter, the forces of the elements graced us with a sunny, warm day and most of the snow melted! We had 18 guests and 24 members in attendance...three guests became members! We thank both Cathy and Bob for a fun evening of art.

The 40+ attendees circled around Bob and Cathy to watch their demonstration. We were intrigued to learn what was meant by 'tag team'. Bob started first. He had pre-sketches a bouquet of flowers, mostly roses, on the diagonal, on Strathmore 140 lb. cold press paper. Starting on dry paper

in the upper left corner, Bob brushed colors of rose, then yellow, blue and green, letting them merge together on the paper. His painting style is very loose and wet. He actually moved the colors around even more while using the blow dryer. We just watched the magic happen!

We could tell that Cathy was getting concerned, when she said "I have to figure out what to do with this!" They both admitted to doing a lot of squinting and both agreed it works best if you have a large drink...wine, preferred. Cathy went next. She paints more dry brush, adding negative shapes and detailing the roses like a pinwheel. She likes using her favorite round brush, called Dreamcatchers from Cheap Joe's, because it comes to a sharp point. Cathy broke up the dark green color by adding several white, yellow centered daisies, using a product called 'Dr. Ph. Martin's bleedproof white'.

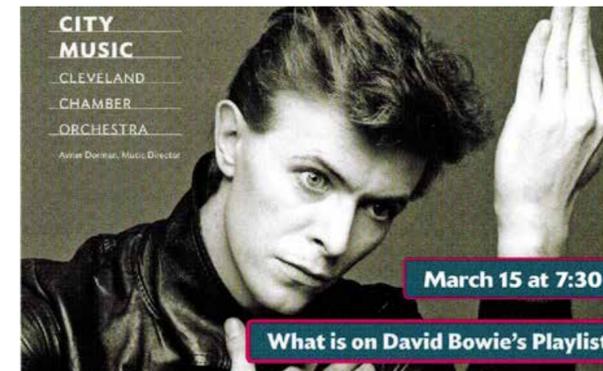


Cathy and Bob worked back and forth several more times before they considered the painting complete. When asked how he does it, Bob quipped "I pray a lot". They both agree that composition, complementary colors, and negative space are the key things to remember. Their bantering back and forth was very entertaining. Bob said their combined age was 280 and he was 80! "Really, Bob!"...more like 177! We thank them for donating the finished painting to the club, which we plan to raffle at our Spring Library Show...make sure to buy a ticket! We also plan on offering a "Bob & Cathy" watercolor workshop in October,



2017. The theme for the evenings refreshments was 'A Night at the Movies' in honor of the upcoming Oscars. We thank our hosts, Deb Kramarz and Linda McGreevy for the assortment of movie goodies...variety of popcorn, candies, pop, plus a healthy choice of oranges, veggies and garlic hummus dip. Did you cast your vote for the Oscar winners? If you did, your ballot was taken to the Euclid Library and added to others, for a chance to win a big basket of goodies.

Whats on David Bowie's Playlist?



What is on David Bowie's Playlist? Come to St. Jerome Church, located at 15000 Lakeshore Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44110 on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:30pm and find

out when CityMusic Cleveland Chamber Orchestra presents a tribute to the pop icon and the composers who influenced his work. Free and family friendly.

Under Observation

by ginny calvey

Sara was experiencing extreme pain in her lower back and went to the emergency room. She resided in a Cleveland area hospital for five days and had back surgery to alleviate her condition. Unfortunately, she was never admitted to the hospital, even though she occupied a room for five days. Original Medicare states that a patient must be admitted for three days to be eligible for the skilled nursing benefit, otherwise known as rehab.

Since she had Medicare supplemental coverage, the required three day admission requirement was not met as she was categorized as "under observation" instead of admitted to the hospital. Her husband had to pay thousands of dollars for her rehab

benefit which would have been covered if she had been admitted.

When you go to the hospital, specifically through the emergency room, ascertain if you are admitted to the hospital or merely under observation. Residing in a room is no guarantee of admittance. Know how your plan operates and what your coverage expenses are. If you have any questions about your health coverage, or are aging into medicare, and want to understand how the coverage works as well as what options you are entitled to, I would be happy to offer my assistance, call 440-223-5437.

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Events

Youth event asks, “What do you see? How would you fix it?”

by *Erin Randel*
Registration is now open for the 4th annual Youth Solutions Congress, where Cuyahoga County youth are invited to share their perspective on and offer solutions to the challenges they see in their community. It will be held Saturday, March 25th at Cleveland State University's Main Classroom building.
The event is free, but space is limited. School and civic clubs are welcome to attend in groups. Register online at neighborhoodleadership.org.
Check-in and breakfast start at 9 am. The Congress opens in the auditorium at 10 am, with a keynote by Ohio Rep. Stephanie Howse, followed by breakouts on Issues, Assets & Challenges, and Solutions. Issues will focus on six broad categories—recreation, health, employment, education, safe-

ty and civic engagement. It will close with a solutions report-out by the participants, and an awards ceremony for the winners of our Future Leaders are Readers Essay Challenge. Lunch is provided.
The Youth Solutions Congress is presented by Neighborhood Leadership Institute with the support of MyCom and Voices for Ohio's Children. CSU's Main Classroom building is located on E. 22nd with entrances on both Euclid Ave. & Chester Ave. Parking meters in the area are free on Saturdays. Bus passes are available, call Donté Gibbs for more information, (216) 658-1356.
Neighborhood Leadership Institute exists to improve the quality of life for people in Greater Cleveland through grassroots leadership development and community engagement.

Bark Madness Event Benefiting Pet-Fix Northeast Ohio



by *Christie Lucco*
On Saturday, March 11, 2017, PetFix Northeast Ohio is holding a fundraiser from 7 to 9 pm at Two Bucks at Golden Gate Plaza in Mayfield Heights. Attendees can enjoy raffles, games, food, drinks and fun during the NCAA Tournament. All proceeds

will help PetFix Northeast Ohio continue its lifesaving work. PetFix is a non-profit organization that provides high quality, affordable spay and neuter surgeries to end pet homelessness and the need for unnecessary euthanasia. There are two ticket prices for the event. The \$25 ticket includes food and unlimited drinks and the \$50 ticket includes food, unlimited drinks, raffle tickets and a PetFix giveaway item. To purchase tickets or to make a tax deductible donation, visit www.petfixnortheastohio.org.

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FIND A "GOLDEN EGG" AND WIN A SPECIAL PRIZE

Tickets for UpStage Players' Fiddler on the Roof Jr. Now On Sale



by *Mathew Orgovan*
North Collinwood's UpStage Players, one of Northeast Ohio's hardest working children's theatre companies, celebrates its 23rd season in 2017 with the beloved theatre show Fiddler on the Roof Jr. Tickets to all three performances of this Broadway-style musical can now be purchased online. Known for its no-cut policy, UpStage Players "works for the kids" of Greater Cleveland.

Performance Dates: Friday, March 24, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

Performance Venue: Cleveland Memorial-Nottingham Public Library Auditorium, 17109 Lakeshore Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44110

Ticket Prices: \$10 in advance (online); \$13 at the door

Tickets may be purchased through WWW.SHOWTIX4U.COM. The site will walk customers through the process so that they will be able to choose specific seats. Once on the site, click "Buy Tickets" and then search "UpStage Players." All advance tickets must be purchased through the site, where patrons can choose their seats. Patrons should then print and bring their tickets to the show. Seating is limited,

so patrons interested in this event are encouraged to purchase early. Questions regarding ShowTix4U can be answered by e-mailing Kris at KrisUpStage@aol.com.

The signature endeavor of UpStage Players each year is the organization's annual spring musical. After several months of learning and collaboration, the efforts of dozens of children and adult volunteers come to fruition through the professionally-produced junior edition of a Broadway-caliber musical.

UpStage Players is the proud recipient of a 2017 Cuyahoga Arts & Culture (CAC) grant, and is also supported by the Downtown Cleveland Kiwanis Club #2 and the Children's Guild of Cleveland. The mission of UpStage Players is the dedication to the child performer, instilling a love of theatre while building leadership and community. The non-profit group was founded in 1994-1995 with 30 children and a vision to create love and respect for the performing arts. Beyond evolving into a strong organization of nearly three times as many children today, two keys to the success of UpStage over the years have been its unwavering no-cut policy and its army of committed volunteers. The children of UpStage Players come from varied backgrounds and neighborhoods throughout Northeast Ohio, yet they all enjoy a demonstrable transformation from everyday kids into accomplished artists. For more information, e-mail info@upstage-players.com or visit www.upstage-players.com.

Comedy Night at Kiddie City!

by *Brittney Moffatt*
Spend the whole night laughing with Kiddie City at our 10th Annual Funds for Fun! This year will be featuring a live comedy show on the Kiddie City stage! Support a great cause while enjoying snacks, beer, wine, and more! You can also try your luck at the chinese auction full of amazing prizes. You can also participate in a 50/50 raffle!

Please join us on Saturday, April 22nd! The event will be held at Kiddie City Child-care Community located at 280 E 206th in Euclid, Ohio 44123. The fun starts at 6:30pm and ends at 11pm. See comedians Liz Blanc, Jerry Jaffe, and Kirk Bogos perform at 7:30pm.

Tickets are \$27 per person, \$52 per couple, and \$200 for a table of eight. Tickets can be purchased at Kiddie City.

The event is adult only but the proceeds will go to support Kiddie City kids! For more information about the event or if you'd like to sponsor or donate, contact Jennifer Boger or Laura Asseff at 2163994625.



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Events

Go International at Ss. Robert & William Catholic School



Chef Connie is serving a specialty dish from Latin America.

by *Ellen Ivory*
At our Euclid Art Association meeting If you love homemade ethnic food, come join us at the annual SRW "Taste of Nations Benefit" which is being held on Saturday, April 1, 2017. The evening will begin with a Polka Mass (Michael Wojtila is providing the music), followed by dinner at 5:45 p.m. (Doors open at 5:00 p.m.) This is a wonderful opportunity for guests to experience many different international cuisines representing those of Eastern Europe, the Philippines, Latin America, Mexico, Ireland, Italy, American Comfort, and more! You can also relax in the Cigar Lounge and

at the Vienna Café.
The fundraiser also includes the chance to win \$2,250 in the Pot of Cash Raffle, raffles galore, and a casino. This year's Taste of Nation's Awards will be presented to Euclid Hospital (Community), Jay and Juanita Sweet (School Grandparents), Karen Long (Faculty) and Patrick Vuyancih (Alumni). Tickets for the event are reasonably priced at \$35 each, 2 for \$60, or a reserved table (\$350) with priority dining can be purchased at the Parish Office (216.731.1515) or on-line at www.srweuclid.cc.
Ss. Robert & William Catholic School is located at 351 East 260th Street, Euclid.

Variety Is the Spice of Music for Miles



by *Nan Kennedy*
Three Spring concerts at Waterloo Arts
The Music for Miles season at Waterloo Arts opens on Sunday March 12 with the always impressive Impreza Trio, Eric Char-nofsky at the piano, Emily Cornelius, violin and Lauren Dunseath, cello. Their program will combine minimalism with early and late romanticism – an exercise in creative listening.
The Estonian composer Arvo Part is the minimalist. In his Mozart Adagio, what he called his tintinnabulation style is in balance with Mozart's composition, creating a sort of fusion of the 18th and 20th centuries.
Beethoven and Brahms contribute the Romanticism. Beethoven published his Piano Trio in C minor as Opus 1, No. 3 – an announcement of his musical approach. When the pieces were first performed, probably in 1793, Haydn praised them but advised against publishing the third, and

Impreza Trio

boldest, on the grounds it was too hard to understand. Critics repeated that judgement, but the buying public disagreed.
The Brahms Piano Trio #1 in B Major, Op. 8, is the only one of that composer's trios that ends in a minor key, and among the few multi-movement works to begin in a major key and end in the tonic minor (another example being Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony).

This musical elegance will be followed on April 9 by a drum circle, led by the master of that art, Karl Dustman, in an event that turns the audience into players. This should be a good concert choice for young music lovers. Karl has an enormous collection of percussion instruments and years of experience playing everywhere from the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California, to Cleveland's CLASSICS restaurant to the Vienna Residence Orchestra in Austria.

And on Mothers' Day, May 14, Mary Beth Ions will come back with her singing violin and her infectious enthusiasm. Mary Beth has performed for Hillary Clinton and President Bush, as backup for Mannheim Steamroller and Sarah Brightman, at Blossom and on Playhouse Square. Her solo programs are virtually irresistible.

All the concerts will be held in Waterloo's Creative Space at 397 E 156, at 4 pm on a second Sunday. Admission is free, children are welcome, conversation with the musicians is encouraged – as are glasses of wine or other refreshment from the adjoining Callaloo Café.

In March, the All-City Show, brought to us by the National Arts Program, will be hanging in the Waterloo Arts gallery. In April and May, the Art of the Book will be on display.

These concerts are presented with the support of Local 4 Music Fund, the Music Performance Trust Fund, the Waterloo Arts Friends' Committee, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, and Ohio Arts Council.

Waterloo Arts, 15605 Waterloo Road Cleveland44110, 216-692-9500, waterloo-arts.org.

City of Euclid to Hold Exams for New Police Officers and Firefighter/Paramedics

by *Letitia Linker*
The City of Euclid's Civil Service Commission will be conducting entrance examinations for entry-level Police Officers and Firefighter/Paramedics in April. The City's safety forces have a long tradition of service excellence, and both departments will be hiring in 2017. We encourage all qualified applicants, especially women and minorities, to apply. Registration and requirements information are posted at www.cityofeuclid.com, www.euclidpd.org, and are available at Euclid City Hall. Learn more about these exciting careers in our community!



Police Officer Saturday, April 22, 2017
Firefighter/Paramedic Saturday, April 29, 2017

Complete notices, requirements and applications are available online at www.cityofeuclid.com and www.euclidpd.org, or in person at Euclid City Hall, Police Department, and Fire Department. SEVERAL OPENINGS anticipated beginning in JUNE, 2017.

Euclid is an equal opportunity employer. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017 at 7:30pm
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Tickets go on sale on January 10, 2017

All tickets must be purchased through Show Tickets for You at:
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Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$13 at the door

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The Site will walk you through & you will be able to choose your specific seat.

Once on Site Click "Buy Tickets" and then Search "UpStage Players"
All tickets must be purchased before March 17th through site.
Questions regarding ShowTix4U?
Email Kris at KrisUpStage@aol.com

Senior Page

Get Medicare Extra Help with Prescriptions



by Laurie Mutsko
I'm on Medicare and a fixed income. I'm having trouble

affording my prescription drugs. Do you know of any help that's available for me?

Many people with limited income and resources qualify for a prescription savings program but may not be aware of it. It is Medicare's Extra Help program. This program pays for many of the costs related to your Medicare prescription drug plan, including monthly premiums, annual deductibles and prescription co-pays. According to information provided by the Social Security Administration, "The Extra Help is estimated to be worth about \$4,000 per year."

To qualify for Extra Help, a person must be receiving Medicare, and be enrolled in a Medicare Prescription Drug plan. They must also have limited resources and income, and reside in one of the 50 States or the District of Columbia.

In 2017, those who qualify for Extra Help will pay no more than \$3.30 for each generic prescription and \$8.25 for each brand-name covered drug.

In general, you qualify for Extra Help in 2017

- You are single and your income is less than \$18,090.
- You are married, living with your spouse, and have an income less than \$24,360
- Your resources are below \$13,820 for an individual or \$27,600 for a married couple.

It is important to note that your home, car and life insurance policy are NOT counted as resources. The Extra Help program considers resources to be such things as money you have in a checking or savings accounts, stocks and bonds.

I encourage you to apply, even if your annual income is higher than the guidelines listed here. You may still be able to get some help. There are some exceptions for special circumstances. For example, you may still qualify if you or your spouse supports other family members or has earnings from work.

To apply for Extra Help, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213. You can also apply online at www.socialsecurity.gov/extra-help.

Another option is to look into savings programs offered by many drug companies. To find one that covers the medication you are taking, visit Medicare.gov and search for Pharmaceutical Assistance Program.

You can also learn more about programs that can help you save money on prescriptions, health care costs and much more at the National Council on Aging's screening website, www.benefitscheckup.org. It is easy to understand, secure and will help you find the programs that meet your

unique needs.

If you have questions and would like to learn more about life, health, dental, vision, Medicare Supplements or Medicare Advantage plans, please call me at 440-255-5700 or email me at Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com. I will help you find the right insurance plan for you.

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Meet Ms. Wade Gifted Comforter and Author

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to others on her knee in times of need make tears well up quickly. This is a unique woman with many real struggles, yet her acts of kindness and stories illuminate the fact that she puts her whole self into life with an unwavering faith. If Ms. Wade had a motto for living it might sound something like this: break through your own limited

thoughts and perceived constraints by taking a positive stance in faith and thoughts of others.

Although Ms. Wade wrote a book many years ago called A Positive Stance, it is surely time for her to write another to help her fans know more of her secrets that tap into a miracle of strength, health and happiness.

Revocable Living Trusts



by J. Norman Stark,
ATTORNEY,
ARCHITECT
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Do you know someone 18 years of age or Wills alone do not provide tax benefits, whereas Revocable Living Trusts do!

Revocable Living Trusts include specific provisions to be implemented when a spouse becomes legally incapacitated, incompetent, or dies, and how estate assets can be managed by a surviving spouse or other Successor Trustee, including important provisions for spouses, children and other loved ones.

A Revocable Living Trust is a contract between one or more individuals, also called maker(s), Trustor(s) or Grantor(s), and the Trustee. The Trustor provides detailed instructions concerning the retention and disposition of all trust assets. These instructions specify how the assets are to be held and distributed during the maker's lifetime, and during disability or incapacity, as well as upon death. The term "Revocable" means that the Trustor, or maker, has the legal reservation, right, and ability, to amend or revoke the trust as he or she directs. The maker(s) may also be the Trustee(s).

Trusts should be funded with all of the Trustor's assets, to protect the assets and enable the Trustor, or maker, to accomplish

all of the desired objectives, importantly:

- Avoid Probate Court upon incapacity, disability, or death; no Probate required!
- Avoid Probate Court administration, required with Wills.
- Avoid Federal and State Probate taxes, costs, expense and time.
- Avoid Will contest litigation, costs, time, expenses, legal fees.
- Avoid lengthy delay in distribution of assets, and inheritances to loved ones.
- Avoid inequities from transfer-on-death accounts, or TOD Deeds.
- Avoid loss of control over timing of asset distribution.
- Protect spouse, children, family and other beneficiaries of the estate.
- Provide for issues with divorces, second and subsequent marriages; protection for children.
- Individualized planning for children, dependents, special needs.
- Minimize or eliminate Federal and State estate tax, costs, legal fees.

Your Attorney can advise and assist you in creating and funding your Revocable Living Trust.

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Spine Friendly Gardening Tips

by Michael Lozitsky

Gardening can be a fun hobby, healthy activity, and helps get you out of the house after a long winter! There are a few things to keep in mind while getting out into the garden to help avoid back pain. After being held in the house all winter your back will thank you if you stretch, especially in the direction of any activity you will be doing that day. Before you get started, make sure your tools are sharpened. As you get started with the real work, use shorter strokes with your tools and take a few extra breaks until you get back into the swing of things. It's a good idea to switch positions or take a break every 20-30 minutes. If you are going to be down near the ground for a long time, sit on a stool! Extreme bending for 2 hours

isn't great for even a "good" spine. Keep a good posture as often as possible, and remember that bending and twisting at the same time is a bad for your spine. When lifting, keep heavier objects close to your body, and tighten up your abs to take pressure off of your spine. Use a wheelbarrow or get some help if you are unsure or think there is a risk of injury. If you get persistent low back or neck pain after tilling the garden, then it is a good idea to get the spine checked out! Call our office for an appointment at 216-938-7889 or check us out on our website infieldchiropracticclinic.com. We are located in downtown Euclid, feel free to stop by and check us out!
Michael Lozitsky D.C.

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Meet Ms. Wade Gifted Comforter & Author

For over 30 years Ms. Wade has given of herself each week through volunteer work at local area hospitals providing valuable assistance to administrative teams and patients. She is by far one of the most widely appreciated and recognized "Red Vest" volunteers receiving many letters of gratitude and recognition each year for the special treatment and well-crafted words of comfort she offers whole-heartedly to everyone she meets. Surely her deep sincerity, spirituality and sensitivity is what has helped her become ultra-gifted in comforting others.



Ms. Wade is a proud mother, grandmother, sister, friend and local leader to so many among her church, community and personal circles. She has lived with Multiple Sclerosis for the last 37 years attributing God's love and the messages of the Bible for having provided powerful strength, guidance and grace. She encourages faith in "God's perfect love" and believes in the "healing powers" of serving others explaining that, "helping others replenishes the heart and mind so you can face your own struggles with a better perspective."

Ms. Wade has lived at Indian Hills Senior Community in Euclid for the past 18 years spending good will atop of one of three scooters she owns to get herself around. Her positive outlook and aura has a unique impact on others. Even her scooters won't stop or she has some special way of keeping them going as well. Her stories of offering comfort, embraces and scooter rides

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Senior Page

Bob's Corner



by Bob Payne
So, you think you're having a bad day?
I just met a man who is really down on his luck. He was a hardworking young man that got injured on the job. That was more than 15 years ago, and his life has gone downhill ever since. After losing his career he's had some health issues, both physical and emotional. He's bounced around from job to job, relationship to relationship, and state to state. When I met him he was hungry and looking for food.

I asked him about himself. His eyes, which were a dull blue, brightened when he talked about how life used to be. The spark of life was still there, but now it's mostly covered by his all-consuming daily struggle to get by.

He's a person. He has needs, wants and dreams. He once had it all, but now he struggles for everything.

Folks – this man is you and me.

As we go through life most of us have been lucky enough to be treated pretty well. Yes, you can say that he made some poor choices and his life situation is the result of them. You'd be right. But, I also know full well that you and I have made some bad choices too, and we were fortunate enough not to suffer dire consequences. We really shouldn't judge others just because their sins are different than our own.

Yes, he needs to make decisions to help himself and take advantage of systems and resources that are available. I made him aware of all that, but right now I see a broken man with the potential to go far beyond his current conditions. Will he?

We all go through rough times in life. Those experiences can help us grow in compassion toward others. But remember, compassion is incomplete without action. You are called to be more than just an observer.

You may be having a bad day right now. Honestly, there are people who wish they had your bad days.

Bob Payne, Manager

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-Walt Disney

Euclid Senior Center

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



Senior Center Daylight Savings Time Begins March 12th

ENTERTAINMENT

Breakfast with the Bob



Join us on Thursday, March 9th at Adam's Place at 8:30AM for Breakfast with Bob. The "Bob's Special" will be 2 eggs, breakfast meat; ham, sausage or bacon, home fries and toast for \$4.00 without coffee. It's good to be part of Senior Programs!

March 7th – SPEED BINGO



Bingo for prizes – 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. – FREE Sponsored by Capital Senior Living.

Name That Tune

Thursday, March 9th @ 10:45 – 11:45 Enjoy music, trivia, light refreshments and prizes! Laura Blair from Kindred – The Greens/The Fountains is your hostess.

March 14th & 28th – Fun BINGO

Bingo for Prizes - 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. – FREE Sponsored by Cap Tel Phone & Mount St. Joseph.

Muffins with the Mayor

Monday, March 27th – 11:00 a.m. in the dining room. Here is your chance to sit and enjoy conversation and muffins with our Mayor, Kirsten Holzheimer Gail. Stop by and say "Hello".

BIRTHDAY DAY- March 15th
Cup Cakes Sponsored by Care Source. Ice Cream Sponsored by A generous anonymous senior.



St. Patrick's Day Celebration Friday, March 17th – 11:00 a.m. Who will wear the most green? The Staff will judge and prizes will be awarded to the greenest. Sponsored by Euclid Hospital Geriatric Assessment Program & Wickliffe Country Place.



Corned Beef from Adam's Place

We will be taking orders for Corned Beef Sandwiches for St. Patrick's Day. If you would like to order a sandwich, please contact Sylka. Sandwiches will be passed out AFTER the lunch program. Regular Corned Beef - \$6.00 Ruben - \$6.25



Do you dare?

You know your chili is the best, so bring a pot to the Center on Wednesday, March 8th at 10:30 a.m. The Mayor will judge all the entries, and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place. Who will be the Chili Queen or Chili King? Please sign-up to cook at the front desk.

La Barberia Institute of Hair will be here on Wednesday, March 15th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Provide FREE haircuts to our seniors. Please thank them for this wonderful service!



F.F.F.

Join us Thursday, March 16th – 10:30 in the Library for Fun For Foodies. Sign-up at the front desk. Only those who sign-up will be able to partake in the food! See Monica with any questions. Thanks!

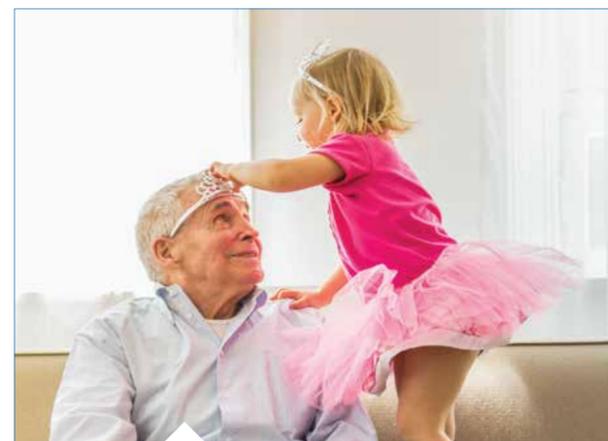
FASHION SHOW

We will be having a Fashion Show at 10:45AM on March 22nd, featuring members of the Euclid Adult Activities Center. Last year's show was a huge success. You know you look marvelous! So, please see Sylka by Friday, March 10th, if you want to be a participant. Sponsored by Euclid Adult Activities Center, Euclid Senior Programs and Bella Care Hospice.



We recently placed a small order from 4imprint. The CEO, Mr. Kevin Lyons-Tarr, wrote, thanking us for the order. He also mentioned a One by One Charitable Program that the company offers. We did not qualify for the program, but Mr. Lyons-Tarr sent us 7 boxes of donated items anyway! The items will be used as give-aways at the Center and to the homebound. Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Lyons-Tarr and 4imprint! Thank you for your great kindness and generosity!

TRIPS



More time with your favorite ballerina.

Hospice of the Western Reserve's circle of care reduces stressful hospital visits so you can have more time with family. If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with a serious illness and you need help, **insist on Hospice of the Western Reserve.** Learn more at hospicewr.org.



800.707.8922 | hospicewr.org | [f/hospicewr](https://www.facebook.com/hospicewr)

Senior Page

Euclid Historical Museum

Thursday, March 16th – Leave the Senior Center at 1:30 p.m. and return to the Center around 3:00 p.m. Take a ride in our van to the Euclid Historical Museum.

Grande Pointe Fun Bingo

Tuesday, March 21st – Leave the Senior Center at 1:15 p.m. and return to the center around 3:00 p.m. Take a ride in our van to Grande Pointe in Richmond Hts. for a FUN BINGO including prizes & cookies. It's FREE – Register at the front Desk.

Antiques & Uniques, Sweet Berry Fresh Market & Gabriel Brothers.

Thursday, March 23rd Let's go Shopping - \$4.00 Come join us for a trip to Antiques & Uniques, Sweet Berry Fresh Market & Gabriel Brothers. Leave the center around 12:30 p.m. and return 3:00 p.m.

Bus Trips with Wickliffe Senior Center.

Rocksino/Hard Rock Trip. Tuesday, March 21st Bus picks up here at 9:00 a.m. Cost \$22, but you get \$20 in slot play. Make checks payable to Wickliffe Senior Center. Sign-up at the front desk. See Monica with any question.

JACK Cleveland Casino

Thursday, March 30th Leave the center at 9:00 a.m. and return to the center around 3:30 p.m. \$10.00 per person, per trip. Drop off at casino front door. Register at the front desk. LIMITED SEATING; however we must have at least 10 people registered. No Refunds unless your spot is filled.

Breakfast with Grande Pointe

Wednesday, March 8th – 9:30 – 10:30 Breakfast with Grande Pointe. Join us for muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, coffee and tea. Please sign-up at the front desk by March 6th

FREE FRESH PRODUCE

Euclid Senior Programs Monday, March 27th - 12:30 – 2:30 PM (or until all produce is gone) First Come First Served Please bring your ID You must be a member of Euclid Senior Programs to Participate.

SPEAKERS

Ohio Savings Bank

Wednesday, March 8th – 11:00 a.m. Eileen M. Ovens from Ohio Savings Bank will talk about Being Money Smart for Older Adults.

Community Police Talk

Thursday, March 9th at 12:15 p.m. "Cop -a- Question" – Immediately after Lunch. Members from our Police Department update us monthly and will answer all your questions. Can't be here? Leave

your questions at the front desk. Also, if you have old medication that you need to discard, they will take it as long as it is not liquid or needles.

Grief Support Group

Thursday, March 9th at 12:45 p.m. This Grief Support Group is for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one whether it was a spouse, child, parent, sibling or friend. Please join us for a new opportunity provided by Euclid Senior Programs & Hospice of the Western Reserve

Better Senior Living Choices

Friday, March 10th at 11:15 a.m. Cilla Buck from CarePatrol will be here to talk about the differences of independent living, assisted living, memory care and nursing home care, Elder care options and how to pay for it.

Gateway Health

Thursday, March 23rd at 10:45 a.m. Sandra Pollard from Gateway Health will be here to talk about "What you need to know about Diabetes" Facts, Figures, Tips and Tricks.

Nutritionist

Friday, March 24th – 10:45 a.m. Sarah Owen have her Master's of Science in Nutritional Sciences – Oklahoma State University will talk about Nutritionist.

Third Federal Savings & Loan

Friday, March 31st – 11:15 a.m. Autumn Abramczyk from Third Federal will present an interactive informative talk on preventing elder financial abuse.

SERVICES



DPS

Tuesday, March 14th 10:00 a.m. to Noon & 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. 20 – Minute free consultations. Have a question for an attorney regarding estate planning, wills, trusts, Medicaid Eligibility, Long Term Care Needs, or Veterans Benefits? The attorneys at Daniel P. Seink Co. offer vast experience in the field of elder law. Founder and Managing Partner, Daniel P. Seink, is one of twenty Ohio attorneys certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation. Sign up for a 20 – minute time slot (FREE) at front desk. This service will continue on the second Tuesday of each month.

BENEFITS CHECK-UP – FREE

Monday, March 20th & 27th 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Euclid Senior Programs also coordinates the Benefits Check – Up program at the Lakefront Community Center. Benefits Check – Up is a program to screen adults 60+ for over 70 money-saving programs: prescription drug assistance, help paying Medicare premiums, help with heating bills, phone discounts, and much more. Call 216-289-2985 to schedule an appt.



Podiatrist

Dr. Bangayan will be here on Wednesday, March 8th & 22nd at 9:20 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Dr. Hennie, House call only on Wednesday, March 8th Call 289-2985 for an appointment at the center. Fee - \$20.00, with your membership.

Chair Yoga – Mondays at 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. AC \$ 3.00 per class.

Yoga – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Annex Room \$ 3.00 per class.

Tai-Chi – Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. DR – Six week series - \$24, Drop-ins \$6.00 per class.

Billie Exercise Class – (Chair) Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 a.m. – Computer Room

Line Dance - Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.

Free Blood Pressure Checks Thursdays mornings 10:00-11:00 a.m. Please give your name to the volunteer and she will issue you a number. Wait in the hallway until your number is called.

Chair Exercise to Music – 11:00 a.m.

DRA – Wednesday

Silver Sneaker Class – 10:00 – 10:50 a.m. – Dining Room Annex Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Free with Silver Sneakers membership. No Silver S. Class on Monday, March 27th

FUN AND GAMES

BEADING CLASS: Monday, March 6th - 10:30 a.m. to Noon. FREE to members

Quilting Class – 2nd & 3rd Thursdays – 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Pinochle Tournament– Fridays – 1:00 p.m. Computer Room.

Open Card Play–Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. Card games, Pinochle, Bridge & Rummy.

Bingo–Monday,Wednesday & Friday 12:45 p.m. – Dining Room.

Pool Tournament – Friday, March 17th 9:20 a.m. February winner – David Mene-fee

Crochet– 10:00 a.m. – Tuesday, AC

Adult Coloring - 1:00 Tuesday, AC

Chair Volleyball - 12:45 p.m. Dining Room – Thursdays

EDUCATION - SOCIALIZATION

Bible Study – non-denominational group is led by Artis Powell. The group meets Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. – Library. Arts & Crafts - 10:00 a.m. Wednesday – AC

Sewing – 10:00 a.m. – Thursday, AC

Art with Jack - 12:45 p.m. Tuesday

American Red Cross Blood Mobile Thursday, March 2nd 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Dining Room Annex.

AARP Meeting Monday, March 6th – 1:00 p.m. Speaker: Allen Kinney from Great Day Tours on Travel.

CARP Meeting Thursday, March 23rd – 1:00 p.m.

Book Discussion – March 13th At 1:15 p.m.in the Senior Center Library. Jennifer from the Euclid Public Library will lead the discussion on the book, "The Way Life Should Be" by Christina Baker Kline.

Post Office On Wheels Friday, March 24th 10:45 a.m. -11:15 a.m. Special Services, Money Orders, Stamps & Packaging Supplies are available.

Get Well Cards We will be glad to send a card to a member who is recovering, feeling down or just needs a little boost. Let Sylka know if you would like a card sent to another member to help brighten their day and give a little encouragement. 216-289-2985.

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

You can help to make a difference. Thank you!

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| C2. Chicken Chow Mein | 6.75 |
| C3. Shrimp Chow Mein | 6.95 |
| C4. Roast Pork Egg Foo Young | 6.95 |
| C5. Lo Mein (Chicken/Pork) | 6.95 |
| C6. Chicken w. Cashew Nuts | 7.50 |
| C7. Sweet & Sour (Chicken/Pork) | 6.95 |
| C8. Pork w. Chinese Vegetables | 6.95 |
| C9. Moo Goo Gai Pan | 6.95 |
| C10. Chicken w. Broccoli | 6.95 |
| C11. Shrimp w. Broccoli | 7.50 |
| C12. Shrimp w. Lobster Sauce | 7.50 |
| C13. Beef w. Broccoli | 7.25 |
| C14. Pepper Steak w. Onion | 7.25 |
| C15. Sesame Chicken | 7.50 |
| C16. ★ General Tso's Chicken | 7.50 |
| C17. ★ Curry Chicken w. Onion | 7.25 |
| C18. ★ Hunan Chicken | 7.50 |
| C19. ★ Chicken w. Garlic Sauce | 7.50 |
| C20. ★ Hot & Spicy Pork | 7.50 |
| C21. ★ Baby Shrimp w. Garlic Sauce | 7.50 |
| C22. ★ Shredded Beef Szechuan Style | 7.50 |
| C23. ★ Spicy Fried Jumbo Shrimp | 7.95 |
| C24. Broccoli w. Brown Sauce | 6.95 |
| C25. ★ Broccoli w. Garlic Sauce | 6.95 |
| C26. ★ General Tso's Shrimp | 7.75 |
| C27. Spare Ribs | 8.25 |
| C28. Wor Sui Gai | 7.50 |
| C29. ★ Kug Pao Chicken | 7.50 |
| C30. Boneless Spareribs | 7.95 |
| C31. ★ Mongolian Beef | 7.75 |
| C32. Bourbon Chicken | 7.50 |
| C33. ★ Spicy Orange Chicken | 7.50 |
| C34. Hibachi Chicken | 8.25 |
| C35. Hibachi Beef | 8.75 |
| C36. Hibachi Shrimp | 8.75 |

LUNCHEON SPECIALS

MON-SAT FROM 11AM TO 3PM - Served with Fried OR Steamed Rice

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| L1. Chicken Chow Mein | 4.95 |
| L2. Shrimp Chow Mein | 4.95 |
| L3. Pepper Steak w. Onion | 5.25 |
| L4. Roast Pork Egg Foo Young | 4.95 |
| L5. Shrimp w. Lobster Sauce | 5.75 |
| L6. Beef w. Broccoli | 5.25 |
| L7. Sweet & Sour (Chicken/Pork) | 4.95 |
| L8. Moo Goo Gai Pan | 4.95 |
| L9. Pork w. Chinese Vegetables | 4.95 |
| L10. Spare Ribs | 6.75 |
| L11. Roast Pork Lo Mein | 4.95 |
| L12. Shrimp Mei Fun | 5.25 |
| L13. ★ Curry Chicken w. Onion | 4.95 |
| L14. Shrimp w. Broccoli | 5.75 |
| L15. Chicken w. Broccoli | 4.95 |
| L16. ★ Hot & Spicy Pork | 5.50 |
| L17. ★ Baby Shrimp w. Garlic Sauce | 5.50 |
| L18. ★ Shredded Beef Szechuan Style | 5.50 |
| L19. Sesame Chicken | 5.50 |
| L20. ★ Chicken Garlic Sauce | 5.50 |
| L21. ★ Hunan Chicken | 5.50 |
| L22. ★ General Tso's Chicken | 5.50 |
| L23. Mixed Vegetables | 4.95 |
| L24. Broccoli w. Brown Sauce | 4.95 |
| L25. ★ General Tso's Shrimp | 6.50 |
| L26. ★ Spicy Fried Jumbo Shrimp | 6.50 |
| L27. ★ Kung Po Chicken | 5.50 |
| L28. Boneless Spareribs | 6.75 |
| L29. ★ Mongolian Beef | 5.50 |
| L30. Chicken w. Cashew Nuts | 5.50 |

CHEF'S SUGGESTIONS With White Rice

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| 88. Happy Family | 10.95 |
| 89. Seven Stars Around The Moon (for 2) | 13.95 |
| 90. Seafood Delight | 13.95 |
| 91. Triple Crown | 10.25 |
| 92. Four Seasons | 10.95 |
| 93. ★ Double Delicacy | 10.95 |
| 94. ★ General Tso's chicken | 9.50 |
| 95. ★ Shrimp & Chicken Hunan Style | 10.95 |
| 96. ★ Spicy Fried Jumbo shrimp | 10.95 |
| 97. ★ Dragon & Phoenix | 10.95 |
| 98. ★ Shrimp & Pork w. Golden Brown sauce | 10.75 |
| 99. Moo Shu chicken or Pork | 9.50 |
| 100. ★ Beef w. Scallop in Garlic sauce | 12.25 |
| 100a. Hibachi chicken | 9.95 |
| 100b. Hibachi Beef | 10.75 |
| 100c. Hibachi shrimp | 10.75 |

EXTRA ITEMS

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| Crispy Noodles | 50c |
| White Rice | (PL) 1.75 (Q1) 2.50 |
| Fortune Cookies | 50c |
| Soy/Duck/Mustard/HotSauce (5) | 25c |
| Can Soda | 80c |
| 2-Liter Soda | 2.25 |

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