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Get Winded 5k Fun Run a success



Euclid Family YMCA Get Winded 5k

by Courtney Nicolai

The first ever Euclid Family YMCA Get Winded 5k Fun Run was a huge success. There were over 60 runners and they raised almost \$1,000 for the YMCA's Annual Campaign that helps scholarship youth for programming. Race sponsors included: Moore Counseling and Medication, Paragon, 90 West, KRUSH, Nationwide Insurance (David Carlson), Gas Mart, LakeShore Coffee House, Shore Cultural Centre, the Y, Infield Chiropractic, Tom's Place and Panini's.

For Race Results, go online at www.euclidobserver.com, and look for "Get Winded" on the front page.

University Hospitals makes a greater commitment to city of Euclid

by Mike Ferrari

University Hospitals kicked off its \$11 million construction project in Euclid on June 25 with a groundbreaking ceremony and a welcome reception.

The new, one-story medical office building will be 24,000 square-feet and adjacent to its current building at East 185th Street and Lake Shore Boulevard. Construction is expected to be complete in 2014. Vice President of University Hospitals, Laurie Delgado, Dr. David Cogan, Medical Director, UH Euclid Health Center and Euclid Mayor Bill Cervenik were in attendance for the ceremony.



Officials break ceremonial ground at University Hospitals' new Euclid Health Center.

Euclid is a great place for summer – New facilities now open

by Betsy Voinovich

The city of Euclid has several brand new attractions that will make it a great place for a "staycation" this summer. There is a new spray waterpark at the Indian Hills playground, in the southwestern area of the city. It will be a fun change from the more traditional swimming pools, with many different places and ways to play.

The baseball/softball field has been updated, and there are picnic tables for just hanging out, making this a great place to spend a summer day with your whole family.

New basketball courts are open at Memorial Park. Along with regular open court times, there will be instructional programs, and youth leagues, offered as character-building opportunities for Euclid's families.

Last but not least are the new walking paths at Sims Park, which will provide a beautiful walk as well as exercise. The paths connect with the new fishing pier that is taking shape along the shore. Both pier and paths are ADA compliant and will be a peaceful and breathtaking way to take in the natural loveliness of Lake Erie, in all of its moods.



Sims park under construction earlier this year. Photo credit: City of Euclid.

Mayor Bill Cervenik commented in his article in the last Euclid Observer, "I hope you enjoy strolling along the new walking paths throughout Sims Park and the soon to be completed fishing pier. Sitting on a park bench and watching the sun set over Lake Erie is something you don't want to miss seeing this summer. I hope to see you in the neighborhood."

Check the city of Euclid's website for more information: www.cityofeuclid.com.



Kids cool down playing with the fun new water squirters at the spray water park.

Euclid athlete wins gold at Special Olympics 2013

by Heather Kendel

A couple Saturdays ago, June 8, in Westlake Ohio, James A. Sparks Jr., headed to the Special Olympics held at Westlake High School. James is a 2011 graduate from Euclid High School and former track team member. James has been involved with the Special Olympics since grade school and has now entered as a young adult. The weather was fantastic and he had his own cheering section, his grandfather James Kendel, a Euclid resident of 43 years, his mother Heather Kendel also a lifetime resident, his godson Kenneth and David from Piece by Peace Agency. The weather was perfect not too hot and by no means cold.

He arrived ready to go and anxious to get started. After a wonderful opening ceremony and traditional procession behind the flame, the National Anthem was sung by all and the games began. First was the softball throw in which James was a Gold Medal winner in his heat and the second farthest thrower of the day. He then warmed up and waited his turn to take to the track where he feels most at home running. He lined up at the start and when it was time to go he jetted like an airplane, running so fast it was almost impossible to take a photo. James won first place and was



James poses with his two gold medals; one for the softball throw, and the other for the 50 yard dash.

able to add another Gold to his collection from throughout the years.

These are the moments when life makes one stop and think wow, this really is a special event, a time for all of us to remember that we can accomplish many things if we have the spirit. The joy in the faces of those who were participating, just being there was happiness to them, was priceless. Medal or no medal, the act of trying is sufficient to each one of the competitors. It breaks one's heart to hear the laughter and brings tears of joy in their accomplishments.

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James Sparks, Jr. brings his all to the 50-yard dash, taking the Gold.

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Are you interested in free and inexpensive summer events? Then Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish is the place to be

by Ellen Ivory

Rummage Sale

Looking for reasonably priced small appliances? What about clean clothing, shoes, and purses? You'll even find linens, kitchen items and sporting goods, and so much more at Ss. Robert & William's annual Rummage Sale which is taking place on Friday, July 19, from 9a.m -5:30p.m. and Saturday, July 20, 9am-12p.m. in the school gym. On Saturday only you will even have the opportunity to buy a bag of goods for a mere \$1.00. Come shop and look for treasures throughout this big sale!

A Great Time by OUR Great Lake—July 17

by James O'Hare, Euclid Councilman, Ward 6

It's our compass and a bountiful source —of drinking water, of recreation (swimming, boating, fishing), cool summer breezes, swirling snow squalls, swarms of midges so thick they can choke you, and some of the best sunsets on the planet. It's Lake Erie, of course, and we enjoy so much about it.

But . . . how much do we really know about our Great Lake?

Make plans to spend about 60 enjoyable minutes with Hyle Lowry. She is the Ohio Outreach Coordinator for the Alliance for the Great Lakes. Everybody is welcome, but members of beach clubs and communities bordering the lake shore from Lakewood to Mentor are especially encouraged to attend. The date is July 17, 6:30 pm at Sims Park in Euclid. We'll meet by the pavilion near the beach, just behind Henn Mansion. You'll get a first hand look at the soon-to-be completed fishing pier and we'll learn about ways to appreciate our great lake all year round.

More info and RSVP: hlowry@greatlakes.org or (216) 630-8140. See you there.



Free Fresh Produce

Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish is once again distributing free produce this year. The dates of distribution are Mondays, July 29 and August 26 from 4-6 p.m., in the church's parking lot.

The Parish has teamed up with The Cleveland Foodbank, Euclid Hospital, and The Euclid Hunger Center to make this distribution possible. Items, such as, crisp apples, fresh carrots, and sweet watermelon were just a portion of last month's distribution.

Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish is located at 367 East 260th Street,



Free, Fresh Produce

Euclid. For additional information on either event, please call the Parish Office at (216) 731-1515.

A look back on the Euclid City Schools Child Development Center

by Deborah A. Barberio

On August 16, the Euclid City Schools Child Development Center will close. The Center was opened in September of 1978 by the Euclid Board of Education. The Board had insight at that time on the importance of Early Childhood Education. The school was initially located at the Russell Erwine School on E. 246 St. The school began with a small number of students who attended full time preschool five days per week. It soon blossomed to include part time preschool and then a Latch-Key program. The student body included students ages 2 ½-12 years of age and quickly grew larger due to the number of parents returning to the work force.

After many years the school was relocated to the Benjamin Franklin School on Wilmore Avenue for approximately eighteen years. The center then was moved in October of 2012 to Memorial Park School on Fox Avenue after merging with the TOTS and TYKES public preschool programs.

We have had the support of so many of our parents over the years that I

would like to personally thank all of our families for entrusting their children in our care. We have seen so many of our students achieve greatness in their educational journeys.

These educational victories could not have been accomplished without our excellent teachers. Many of our staff members have been dedicated employees of our school for countless years. Thanks to Miss Tammy, Miss Rain, Miss Robin, Miss Cheryl, Miss Michele, Miss Barb, Miss Colleen, Miss Michelle S., Miss Kathy, Miss Dawn, Miss Michelle K., Miss Mary, Miss Jamie and Miss Jessica. It is because of them our students have excelled.

Thanks also to our Central office administrators for their guidance and support through the years most especially Joseph P. Mayer, Delores Tocco Tekieli, John Fell, Dr. Andrea Celico, John Schweitzer, Superintendent Keith Bell and the members of the Euclid Board of Education. They were all a vital part of our team at the Child Development Center. A final thanks to

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Health

Digital Mammograms: The faster, easier breast cancer screening

by Angela Smith

Faster. Easier. Clearer. All those things are possible with digital mammograms, a new type of diagnostic imaging that's changing how women are screened for breast cancer.

All women age 40 and over should have a mammogram every year, according to the American Cancer Society. Mammograms are X-rays that help diagnose breast cancer, the second most common cancer in American women after skin cancer.

Traditionally, having a mammo-gram meant getting four X-ray images, two per breast, on film. A technologist would run the film through a processor and then hang the processed films on a view box for a radiologist to read.

Now, with digital mammograms, the process is more like using a digital camera instead of a traditional camera. There's no film to process or negatives to handle. The images are stored and viewed on a computer.

"Women still need to have the four X-rays — and the compression and positioning are the same — but processing the results is much faster," says Christine Clark, radiology director at Euclid Hospital. "Instead of 15 to 20 minutes, women finish their digital mammo-grams in about five to 10 minutes."

And the results are easier to diagnose. Radiologists can magnify, sharpen, change contrast or otherwise

adjust digital images to see breast tissue more clearly. That's good for all women, but especially for those under 50. Younger women tend to have denser breast tissue in which cancer is more difficult to detect.

"Digital mammograms are ideal for younger women who need to be screened because they found a breast lump or have a high family risk for breast cancer, for example," says Christine.

Plus, with digital mammograms, radiologists can easily see changes in patients' breasts by comparing their current and past images on the computer. They no longer need to wait for past films to be pulled from records or delivered from another hospital.

"Cleveland Clinic radiologists can view your past digital mammograms no matter where you had them in the Cleveland Clinic system," says Christine.

And second opinions are easier now that images can be sent electronically to other healthcare providers.

All hospitals do not offer digital mammograms, but they are becoming more standard, especially at Cleveland Clinic hospitals. Euclid Hospital offers this advanced type of mammography and bone density screenings.

To schedule a digital mammogram or other diagnostic imaging at Euclid Hospital, call 216.636.8200.

Reversing your pain.

Reverse Shoulder Replacements Offer Help for Patients with Damaged Rotator Cuffs

If arthritis makes your shoulder painful and limits your activity, you may feel like you need a shoulder to cry on. Thankfully, Cleveland Clinic orthopaedic surgeons can shoulder the load and return you to a pain-free, active life.



Eric Ricchetti, MD

One go-to expert in Cleveland's orthopaedic scene is Eric Ricchetti, MD. A graduate of Yale University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Dr. Ricchetti has advanced training and experience in the latest surgical techniques for shoulder replacements, including the reverse method of shoulder replacement.

Total shoulder joint replacement can help patients with shoulder dysfunction caused by arthritis or severe trauma from shoulder fractures. When patients do not experience relief from nonsurgical treatments, a replacement can reduce or eliminate pain and increase mobility. Some patients with arthritis also have a badly damaged rotator cuff (the muscles surrounding the shoulder joint). For these people, a standard shoulder replacement may not work well.

Fortunately, the reverse shoulder replacement has been developed for this challenging problem. While standard shoulder replacements replace the shoulder's worn-out ball and socket in their normal positions, the reverse replacement switches the position of the ball and socket by fitting a hemisphere onto the socket and converting the old ball into a socket. Recovery after surgery is similar to that of a standard replacement.

"Reverse shoulder replacements give us an opportunity to improve pain and function in patients with severe rotator cuff damage, who may not have any other surgical options," says Dr. Ricchetti, who practices at Euclid Hospital. "A standard replacement works well for people with arthritis and good rotator cuffs, but may not work well in patients with bad rotator cuff damage."

"Initially, the reverse replacement was only used in a limited number of situations," he adds, "But now that we've seen how well it works, we're using it more and more for patients with pain and stiffness and difficulty raising the arm due to arthritis and rotator cuff damage."

Developed in Europe more than 20 years ago, the reverse shoulder replacement was approved for use in the United States by the FDA in 2004. "Reverse replacements are becoming as common as standard shoulder replacements," notes Dr. Ricchetti. "People can be quite debilitated, and this operation can dramatically improve their quality of life. It's very gratifying to help them."

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Ricchetti or another Cleveland Clinic orthopaedic surgeon, call 216.444.2606. For a complete listing of locations, go to clevelandclinic.org/ortho.



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Euclid Diabetes Annual Picnic

by Joan Holmes

The Euclid Diabetes Support Group will hold its annual potluck picnic at the Forest Picnic Shelter in North Chagrin Metropark on Monday, July 15th. Members are welcome to arrive and help set up around 5:30 p.m. The dinner is scheduled to start around 6 p.m.

Grilled hamburgers and bisonburgers will be sold to people who have pre-ordered them. Members will prepare healthy dishes including salads, sides, and desserts. This picnic meal will give diners the chance to apply the lessons they've learned at their meetings. Those include making wise food choices, carbohydrate counting, portion control and exercising to control blood sugar. At the same time they will be visiting

with friends and enjoying the beautiful North Chagrin Metropark. After a delicious meal diners can take advantage of the many park trails to walk off some of the calories and lower blood sugar levels. All are reminded to bring their own plates, silverware and beverages.

The purpose of the Euclid Diabetes Support Group is to encourage and help people with diabetes to live a healthy lifestyle. This group is now part of the Diabetes Partnership of Greater Cleveland, which supplies speakers and aid to people with diabetes. Membership is free and open to the public. Meetings normally take place on the third Monday of each month at the Euclid Public Library at 6:45 p.m. For more information you can contact Joan at (216) 692-1155.

Euclid Senior Programs - Come Visit Us!

by Kathy Will

The Euclid Senior Center isn't just for 'old' people!! There is a myth floating out there that Senior Centers are for "old" people. I often ask people what "old" means, and they say it is people who are at least five years older than themselves, whether they're 70, 80, 90 or beyond. I guess it's a matter of perspective.

The use of the term "senior" for centers which focus on programming, services and activities for older adults has been debated for years. What do we call ourselves so that young retirees feel as welcome in our facility as do the older ones?

No matter what the name, if you haven't been to our Euclid Senior Center recently, then you'll be surprised at what is offered. It's not just for the frail, passive person any more. Our senior center reflects the values and preferences of our Euclid community.

Our primary mission is to provide activities, transportation, field trips, educational and entertainment, information and referral resources and a nutrition program for people age 60 and over. The goal is to assist older adults to remain safely in their homes for as long as possible. We also offer the activities to anyone who is 50 and over.

Some of our activities include, Yoga, Line Dancing, Art Class, Beading, Tai-Chi, Bingo, local field trips, arts and crafts, sewing, knitting, pinocchle, Bridge, just to name a few. We are always open to new ideas!



Hanging out, playing guitar at the Lakefront Community Center.

We have a podiatrist who is at our center every Wednesday morning to provide clipping services for people who can no longer do it for themselves for a nominal fee. Over forty seniors avail themselves of this each month. We also offer free Blood Pressure Screenings each Thursday morning, compliments of Senior Independence.

But to many, our center is like a local establishment, where everyone knows your name. We think of each other as family. We are a good resource for information and assistance. You don't have to be "old" to come through our doors. We'd love to meet you. We're located in the Lakefront Community Center, 1 Bliss Lane, Euclid, 44123. (216) 289-2985.

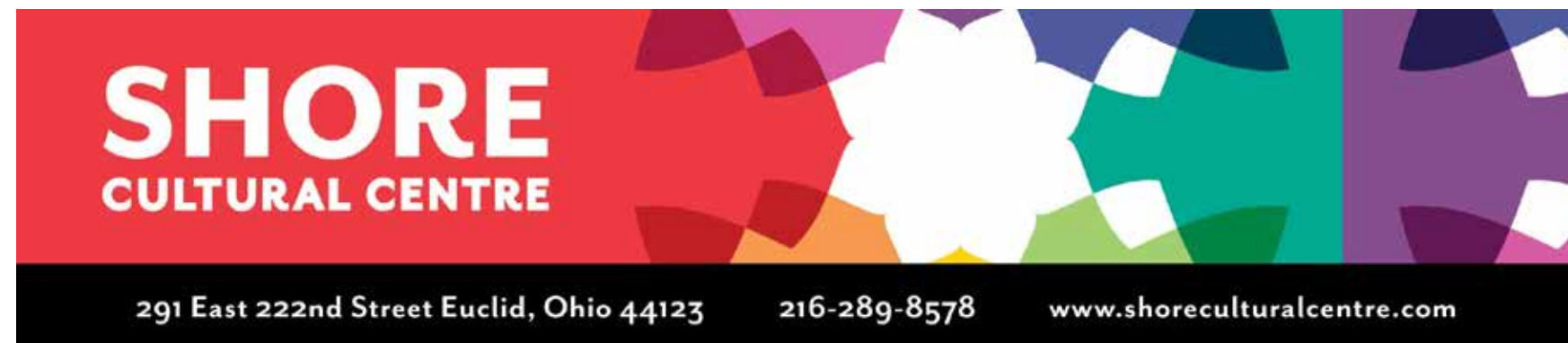
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Thanks To All Who Made Second Annual Euclid Wind Festival A Huge Success

On Saturday June 22nd, Shore hosted its second annual Euclid Wind Festival. People of all ages came to get outside and enjoy the breeze, live musical performances, arts and crafts, artist vendors, and many wonderful displays on wind energy and sustainability. The Wind Festival was an event designed to bring the community closer together while also promoting environmental awareness and conservation.

The Arts Tent at the festival was a popular destination. Kids and adults were able to contribute to our community installation art piece: a Chihuly-inspired wind chime sculpture made out of recycled materials. Festival visitors were also able to make their own pinwheels, paper sailboats, and compile and bind their own “Our Better Planet” book, with environmental fun facts and activities.

Another popular site at the festival was the Get Active! Area. Here kids could jump in the bounce castle, play a game of corn hole, or soak Euclid Mayor Bill Cervenik at the Big Kahoonia dunk game.

Of course our outdoor, summer festival would have been flawed without a selection of ice cold beers. Great Lakes Brewing Company brought over three of their famous local craft beers. These brews paired nicely with a slice of pizza from the Euclid Rascal House. This great food and drink was enjoyed to the tune of live performances by Bill Hach, Darryl Lewis, the Latin Jazz Players, Roots of American Music, Maura Rogers and Larry Insana. All that plus a balloon clown, stiltwalker, bubble making, games, prizes, artist vendors and dozens of community groups



hosting fun, free activities. It was a great,

family friendly event—and a great showcase for the City of Euclid.

Shore Cultural Centre and the City of Euclid would like to thank all of the wonderful sponsors who helped make this breezy event possible, including Wm Sopko & Sons, Stamco Industries, Lincoln Electric, Euclid Hospital, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, LEEDCo, K&D Property Management, Great

Lakes Energy Institute, Euclid Chamber of Commerce, Eaton Family Credit Union, Inc., ExperienceEuclid.com, Great Lakes Brewing Company, H.C. Stark, Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Moore Counseling and Mediation Services, Nationwide Insurance, Paragon, Paran Management Company LTD, Simply Sound & Lighting, and Carstar Auto-body Repair Experts. **Thank you to everyone who came out to Downtown Euclid for this year's Wind Festival. If you didn't make it, be sure to plan ahead for next summer's festival!**

Euclid Farmers' Market: Fridays 3-7

The Farmers' Market runs every Friday through November 1, from 3-7pm. The market features locally grown and organic produce, baked goods, bedding plants, herbs, jams, honey, tea, chocolates and fudge, homemade pies and more! We also feature live music and regularly schedule free activities for kids and families.

Make us part of the start of your week-end, take home delicious treats for your

summer picnics and barbecues, and spend a little time enjoying beautiful Triangle Park in the heart of downtown Euclid.



Pay us a visit at Shore anytime!

To find out more about the classes, events, activities and businesses here at Shore, call us at **(216) 289-8578** Or visit our website at **www.shoreculturalcentre.com**

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

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Community



Euclid local, Eva Lucien, front left, blocking against the Hard Knockers in season 7. Photo by Dave Brown Images

Euclid Local Roller Derby Star Speaks Up

by Aubrey Winkler

The Burning River Roller Girls will host their Championships bout Saturday, July 20 at the Ohio Nets Sports Complex in Parma, with tickets available at www.brownpapertickets.com/producer/244691. We took a moment to catch up with seventh year veteran skater and Euclid local Eva Lucien, to find out what drives her to keep coming back for more.

Name and number: Eva Lucien #15

Team: Rolling Pin-Ups. Previously (and hopefully again in the future) BRRG All-Stars.

How long have you been playing roller derby? 7 years and counting

Did you play anywhere else before joining BRRG? I've played other team sports, but not roller derby. When I signed onto Burning River Roller Girls when the league was formed in 2006, the two closest roller derby leagues were Columbus and Pittsburgh. We became the 50th league to join the Women's Flat Track Derby Association (WFTDA) in December of 2006. Since that time, derby has spread internationally; there are currently 295 leagues affiliated with the WFTDA.

What's your favorite thing about Euclid? Diversity of the residents and proximity to the Lake.

What benefits do you think roller derby brings to the community? Roller derby fills a much-needed, uncommon niche as a full-contact sport for women. It's an important athletic and emotional outlet for our members, and for volunteers and spectators it's a fun, genuine, and unconventional form of entertainment that contrasts sharply with professional

sports. The strategy and skating part of it make it a fascinating and exciting sport to watch—there's nothing quite like the adrenaline rush of a great roller derby game.

What do you think is the future of roller derby? It's still very much a DIY sport, but its increasing popularity in the U.S. and abroad—as well as the growing presence of men's and junior derby—will shape it in ways that are exciting but hard to predict. I'd guess there will be more mainstream awareness of roller derby as a sport; hopefully it can preserve some of its unique character in the face of increasing pressure to become profitable.

Roller derby sets a positive example of acceptance of LGBTQ athletes as both integral to the sport and, at the end of the day, a big non-issue; hopefully we can have a positive influence on other sports in that regard. I'd love to see more racial and ethnic diversity as roller derby moves from its predominantly white, American punk-rock roots to something more cosmopolitan. I hope it remains strong in the area of women's equality.

“You” in four adjectives: competitive, stubborn, hard-working, thoughtful.

What is your personal motto when it comes to competitive sports? Nothing profound: You get out of it exactly what you put in, and there is always room for improvement.

If people should know one thing about derby, it is: It's so much fun.

Come cheer on the Rolling Pin-Ups, the Hardknockers, the Cleveland Steamers, or the Hellbombers on July 20 to see Eva Lucien and other dazzling local skaters in action! For more information, visit www.burningriverrollergirls.com.

Indulge offers home-style, homemade favorites with a twist

by Jonathan Holody

Expect the unexpected at Indulge. With unique tastes and textures added to familiar favorites, the cuisine at this new restaurant in Euclid is just like what grandma used to make, but with a twist. Specialty items include peach cobbler, banana pudding and macaroni and cheese. All dishes are made from scratch, often using family recipes.

“I wanted to put life into the food,” said owner-operator Shawn Jones, who opened Indulge on East 200th Street



Homemade desserts are a specialty of Indulge restaurant in Euclid.

earlier this year. He runs the restaurant with his fiancée, Iris Butler.

Indeed, his approach to the restaurant is a clear reflection of self. A family man, Cleveland native, and 17-year Army veteran Jones definitely knows where he came from but is not afraid to incorporate lessons he picked up around the world into his work. “Bam!” he emphasized, the unexpected will hit you.

Not unlike your grandma's house, Jones also wants you to be comfortable at Indulge. “We are excited about being part of the community,” he mused.

Later this summer, Thursday nights will be “date night” at Indulge featuring a jazz band that will surely make it a hotspot for local couples.

Indulge is located at 317 East 200th St, Euclid, Ohio. For information or catering contact (216) 938-8026 or indulge_n_food@yahoo.com.

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Naturally Euclid

The Michael Talty and Helen Talty Community Garden Springs up at Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish

by *Ellen Ivory*

Looking for additional ways in which to enhance her classroom teachings, Mrs. Karol Pfeifer, S.T.E.M. teacher at Ss. Robert & William Catholic School, was receptive to incorporating her Veggie U curriculum with an on-site community garden. Pfeifer understood that this garden would provide unique opportunities and benefits to her students – from the simple lesson of where food comes from, to issues of environmental sustainability, life skills and the importance of community and stewardship.

Stewardship plays a very important role at this parish. Throughout the year, students are exposed to-- and learn-- lessons about the use of their gifts of time, talent and treasure. So much so that the fruits of their labor will be a gift during the harvest season, as all the



Blessing of the Garden

produce that is raised will be used and distributed to the guests of the parish's monthly community meal, known as "The Banquet."

It is the parish's great fortune that they have allies who were willing to make their garden dream come true. A generous grant from The Michael Talty

and Helen Talty Charitable Trust provided the necessary dollars needed to fund the project.

The Blessing of the Garden and Ribbon-Cutting (well, actually it was a 'hose-cutting') took place on the evening of Friday, May 14 at the Garden. Members of the Talty family, community leaders and friends were in attendance.

"I am so grateful to the community for their ongoing support of our parish and school," said Fr. John D. Betters, Pastor. "From the bottom of my heart I would like to thank and acknowledge the Honorable Francis J. Talty, his parents, Michael and Helen Talty who are the namesakes of the Trust, and I thank those family members who so faithfully continue this Trust in their memory," he states.

As we move into summer, the students at SRW School are exposed to a healthy, inexpensive activity that will bring them closer to nature and God. We are so grateful to those who make this meaningful experience possible.

Hope and Healing Grief Support Group

A monthly meeting for those grieving the death of a loved one: 4th Thursday of each month, 2–3 p.m.; Corrigan Deighton Funeral Home, 21900 Euclid Avenue, Euclid, Ohio 44117

Upcoming Group Dates: July 25, Aug 22, Sept 26, Oct 24, Dec 26

In partnership with Corrigan Deighton Funeral Home. For info call April Ratcliffe, Bereavement Coordinator at (216) 383-3782. Supported by Hospice of the Western Reserve, The Elizabeth Severance Prentiss Bereavement Center.

OLYMPICS Continued from Front Page

Congratulations to James Sparks Jr., and thank you to all those who volunteered and the Knights of Columbus for their tireless and selfless acts to raise funds for events such as these. My son walked around with his medals on for two days afterwards which again reminded me to enjoy life's treasures, such as moments like these.

Heather Kendel is a single mom of 4 and has lived most of her life in Euclid. She is the Director and Founder of ASL Advocates, a local grassroots non-profit to help the Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing within the community.

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The staff both certified and classified of the Euclid City School district for their willingness to help us achieve our mission at the Child Development Center.

August 16, will be the last day under the past configuration of the Child Development Center. I have been the director of this great school for the past (30) years and have made so many friends both professionally and personally that have helped me in my work. My staff and I are very proud of our work at the Center and will always remember just how many students' lives we enriched by being their teachers.

The Child Development Center will host an Open House on Tuesday, August 13 from 6-8 pm for alumni, past employees or anyone else who would like to visit with our staff. Light refreshments will be served.

***Please Note**The Euclid City Schools TOTS and TYKES Preschool program will continue to offer a public preschool program at the Early Learning Center at 22800 Fox Avenue. For information call (216) 732-2700.*

Deborah A. Barberio is the director of the Euclid City Schools Child Development Center.

Euclid Creek Wildwood Wetland and Stream Restoration Celebration

by *Claire Posius*

Please join the Euclid Creek Watershed Program Partners as we celebrate the wetland and stream restoration project on Euclid Creek. The event will be held on Wednesday, July 10, from 5-7 p.m. at the Cleveland Metroparks Euclid Creek Reservation–Wildwood Lakefront Park at the Picnic Pavilion.

This public meeting and tour celebrates the creation of a 2.3-acre wetland near the mouth of Euclid Creek and Lake Erie. Several speakers will briefly discuss the wetland and stream restoration project, followed by a 1-mile hike around the site noting wildlife present and historic features preserved through the project. Meet the project partners pivotal in making this project happen and learn why a restoration project of this scale is important to Euclid Creek and Lake Erie. This \$1.4 million restoration project was funded through a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

For more information, call or email Euclid Creek Watershed Coordinator Claire Posiusat (216) 524-6580 x16 or cposius@cuyahogascwd.org. Or see the detailed event flyer at <http://tinyurl.com/ozrdlcd>.

Claire Posius is the Euclid Creek Watershed Coordinator, Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District.



Before Restoration - Island covered with invasive Japanese knotweed plant



After Restoration - Restored wetland with native plants getting established

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Schools

NDA teacher honored as Student Champion

by *Sandra Ferrara*

Esteemed faculty member and author, Elliot Nicely, was named New Day Academy's (NDA) Teacher of the Year by Head Master, Terrance Walton. The award was announced during NDA's year-end faculty/staff celebration on June 19 and was met with cheers of support from fellow staffers.

The recognition came as no surprise to those who work alongside the 13-year academic veteran. In the 3 years since Nicely has been teaching high school-level English Language Arts at New Day Academy, he has dedicated himself to turning college dreams into reality for his students. Serving as the Senior Class Advisor, Elliot Nicely has taken student advocacy to new heights. "I want to make sure that every student has the opportunity to go to college. Even if they think that money is an issue, I'll work closely with parents to find some way to make college possible."

You might say that Nicely has "put his money where his mouth is." He has worked tirelessly on behalf of his students helping to pull in close to \$120,000 in college scholarships for NDA's 2013 graduating class. Nicely is also hailed for working directly with college admission boards on behalf of his students, helping to pave the way to such colleges as University of Akron, Bowling Green, Kent State, and more.



Elliot Nicely, New Day Academy's Teacher of the Year.

Nicely holds a BS and MA in Education with a concentration in Curriculum and Teaching. He is an accomplished author and recently published a book of poems entitled, Tangled Shadows: Senryu and Haiku (Rosenberry Books, 2013). He enthusiastically imparts his passion for language arts to the classroom but more than that, he brings with him a profound and endless dedication to student achievement. It was this very same dedication that earned him "Teacher of the Quarter" status on 2 previous occasions.

Congratulations, Mr. Nicely! The students thank you. Their parents thank you. And New Day Academy thanks you.

Euclid resident named Outstanding Senior at Baldwin Wallace

by *Shawn Salamone*

Elise Wallis of Euclid was one of just eight exemplary Baldwin Wallace University graduating seniors, out of 814 members of the Class of 2013, to receive The Outstanding Senior Award. The award recognizes students who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in all areas of their University endeavors including academics, leadership, service, campus involvement and off-campus educational opportunities, such as study abroad, internships and research.

Wallis, a 2009 graduate of Lake Catholic High School, is the daughter of Laurie and Frank Wallis. In her years at BW, she studied abroad in Tunisia and participated in the Model African Union, the

Model United Nations and the American Public Health Association's National Conference. She graduated from BW in May with a degree in Political Science and Public Health.

Baldwin Wallace University, founded in 1845, was one of the first colleges to admit students without regard to race or gender. An independent, coeducational university of 4,500 students, BW offers coursework in the liberal arts tradition in more than 60 academic areas. Located in Berea, 12 miles from downtown Cleveland, BW offers students the cultural, educational and business advantages of a major metropolitan area. For more information, visit www.bw.edu.

New Day Academy Snags Vocabulary Trophy

by *Sandra Ferrara, Director of Communications; New Day Academy*

This year's first-place trophy for the "Read, Baby, Read" Vocabulary Competition was awarded to the 5th grade class at New Day Academy (NDA), thanks, in part, to Shamon Walker, the class representative. The annual competition, sponsored by The Cultural Exchange, took place across 20 schools throughout the Cleveland area all who had hopes of winning the esteemed Andrew A. Venible trophy, named after the former Director of Cleveland Public Library. This year's competition was held on May 28 in the auditorium of Nottingham Library to a cheering crowd of students and faculty.

The recognition provides testimony to NDA's motto: "All children are entitled to a world-class education." Standing firm in this belief is the proud faculty member who guided her 5th grade class to victory, Nicola Zammit. "Shamon and students from 20 other schools around the Cleveland area competed in the vocabulary challenge...and Shamon won it all!" she said.

New Day Academy, a K-12 school located in Euclid, was founded in 2004 by Terrance Walton. Walton,

former Principal of Hope Academy, founded NDA on the premise that all children should be afforded the sort of esteemed, college preparatory education that was once reserved for the affluent few. Integrating rigorous academics with a nurturing character-development curriculum, New Day Academy inspires and empowers its students to discover their potential in 4 key areas: Leadership, Service to Community, Character Development, and Multiculturalism.

It was NDA's dedication to its students' success that spurred its partnership with the "Read, Baby, Read" program last March. Integrating multicultural literature with the visual and performing arts, "Read, Baby, Read" exists to acquaint children of color with their heritage, enhance their self-esteem and self-worth, and create opportunities and experiences which enrich the cultural development of ALL children, their families and the community through literature, the arts and cultural exchange.

Given the faithful calling of each organization, their partnership seemed a natural and seamless integration. And, it's definitely a partnership that has paid off. Just ask Shamon Walker and the entire 5th grade class. The trophy is now proudly displayed in the main office at New Day Academy where it will stay for 1 year...until competition begins again in 2014. Yet, that is a long way away. For now, the students at New Day Academy will simply bask in a victory well earned.

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New Day Academy's 5th Graders



A day to be remembered: Graduation 2013



Congratulations to the class of 2013.



Mrs. Tizzano and Destiny Thomas

Gold and blue caps and gowns flooded into the Wolstein Center as the Euclid High School Concert Band played pomp and circumstance. Smiles, cheers, and waving hands could be seen and heard from every angle of the auditorium by parents and students alike. Mr. Bell, Dr. Smialek and the members of the Board made their way to the stage as students found their seats. Family and friends were welcomed happily by Rakysa Bell and Myles Alexander, two of the graduates of the class of 2013. Varsity Chorale and Choral Masters shared a very telling song from the musical Wicked, “I’ve heard it said, that people come into our lives for a reason. Bringing something we must learn, and we are led to those who help us most to grow.” The mash up of the two choirs also sang the very spirited Euclid High School Alma Mater.

The class of 2013 was certified by Principal Dr. Charlie Smialek, pre-

sented by Superintendent Mr. Keith Bell, and accepted by Board President, Mrs. Kay Van Ho. Valedictorian, Rachel Essel spoke to her peers first, followed by Salutatorian, Destiny Thomas. Destiny shared, in the most eloquent of ways, how grateful she has been for all of the people who positively influenced her throughout her high school career. Diplomas were presented by the high school counselors and awarded by the members of Board of Education to the 367 Euclid High School Seniors graduating this day. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings as well as special guests were erupting with excitement for the graduates. Shouts of joy and applause filled the room as the ceremony came to a close. June 9th, a day that students, parents, teachers and friends will never forget. Congratulations to the class of 2013 and wishing you all the best of luck in your future!



Board Member, Kent Smith



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Summer School REGISTRATION June 20-22	NONE	NONE	NONE	Thursday, June 20 3–5 PM at Arbor	Friday, June 21 3–5 PM at Arbor Saturday, June 22 8 AM–5 PM at Arbor
O.G.T. Intervention June 17-21	Science: 7:45–9:45 AM Math: 9:45–11:45 AM Soc. Studies: 11:45 AM–1:45 PM Reading: 1:45–3:45 PM	Science: 7:45–9:45 AM Math: 9:45–11:45 AM Soc. Studies: 11:45 AM–1:45 PM Reading: 1:45–3:45 PM	Science: 7:45–9:45 AM Math: 9:45–11:45 AM Soc. Studies: 11:45 AM–1:45 PM Reading: 1:45–3:45 PM	Science: 7:45–9:45 AM Math: 9:45–11:45 AM Soc. Studies: 11:45 AM–1:45 PM Reading: 1:45–3:45 PM	Science: 7:45–9:45 AM Math: 9:45–11:45 AM Soc. Studies: 11:45 AM–1:45 PM Reading: 1:45–3:45 PM
O.G.T. Examination June 24-28	9 AM–12 PM Reading	9 AM–12 PM Math	9 AM–12 PM Writing	9 AM–12 PM Science	9 AM–12 PM Social Studies
Summer School GRADES 6-8 June 24-July 26	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM
Summer School GRADES 9-12 June 24-Aug 2	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	8 AM–12 PM	NO CLASS

Directors: Adam Castrilla and Kristen Goerndt

Location: Arbor Elementary School



Arbor 5th Grade Chocolate Emporium

Ms. Davis, Ms. Hixenbaugh, Ms. Klemm, and Ms. McBee’s fifth grade classes at Arbor made chocolate treats to sell to their peers at their very own chocolate emporium! Students made delicious treats ranging from chocolate covered strawberries, marshmallows, pretzels, and apples to chocolate cookies with sprinkles. It was the perfect amount of sweet to end the year right!

Citizens for Euclid City Schools Golf Outing 2013

A special thanks to all of the sponsors, participants, and volunteers for your support. This outing would not be possible without your help. Thank you for all that you do for the Euclid City Schools.



The Winners of the Outing



And they’re off...



Treadwell Competes at State Track Meet

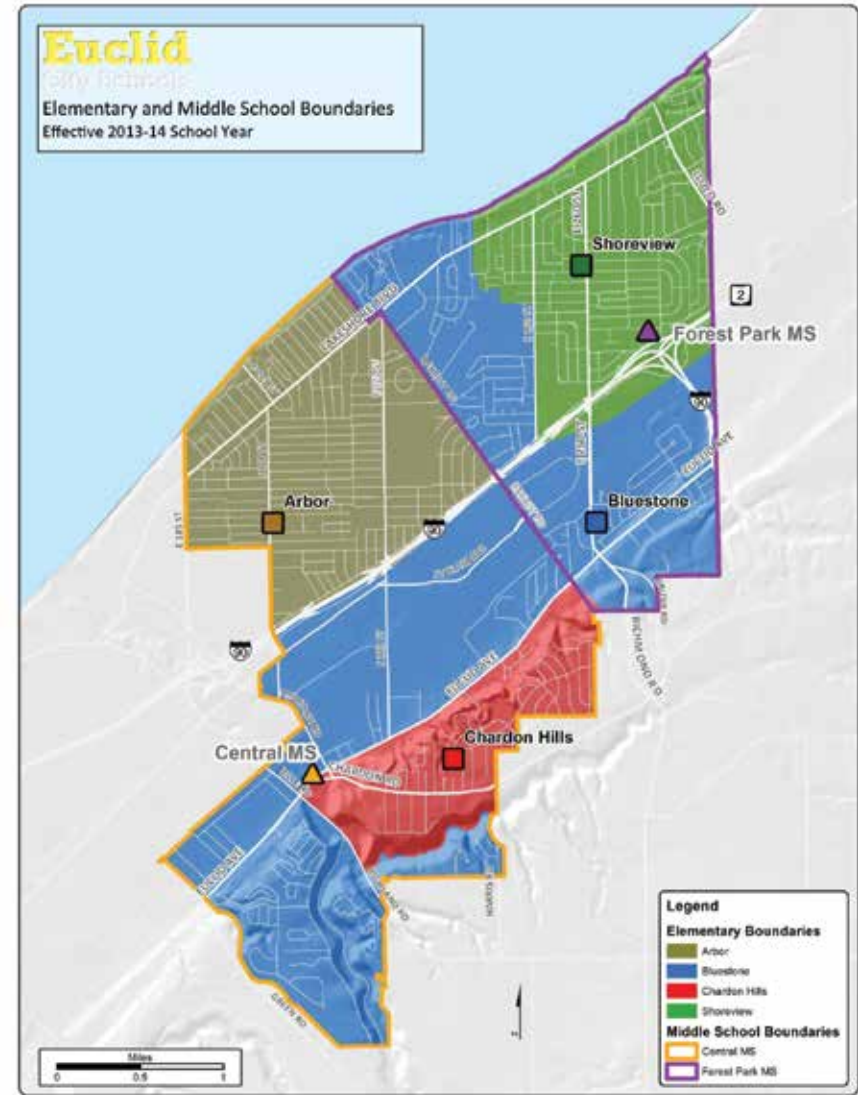
EHS Senior Chris Treadwell threw shot put at the State Track Meet last month. He qualified with a throw of 55’4 at the regional meet, but didn’t place at the state meet. Chris will be attending Hiram College in the fall where he will be studying and playing football.



Chris Treadwell at the State Track Meet qualified with a throw of 55’4.



Euclid City Schools Boundaries



New School Boundaries Effective for the 2013-2014 School Year

Dancing Geometry

“Acute, right angle, obtuse.” Loud little voices of the fourth and fifth graders at Arbor Elementary School could be heard across East 200th Street as they performed their dancing geometry routine.

Each class that got to spend time with Mr. Tom Evert had the opportunity to create their own dance using geometry. Students not only learned modern dancing techniques, they learned how their bodies make shapes, angles, and movements come to life.

Assistant Principal, Mrs. Bridget Simenc brought this program to Arbor for the first time this year. Mr. Evert and Mrs. Simenc worked to establish a grant from VSA Ohio who funded this unique program. The objective was to help our students learn geometry in a way that they would never forget.

Tom Evert is on the roster of teaching artists with Young Audiences of Northeast Ohio.



A dancing geometry student leaves the ground as he creates a new angle in mid-air.



Acute angles come in all shapes and sizes.



Dancing geometry students create connecting line segments.



Dancing geometry students become dancing triangles.

Readers' Forum

For Your Information

by Alyce Turner

For your information...Since we have no daily newspaper and some of you may not have a computer I thought I would update you on the latest goings-on in Congress.

First there was the "Gun Control Bill." Thank God it was voted down. (FOR NOW.) It was basically to enforce more aggressive registration. That may sound good but how many of you believe that a criminal will go to a store, buy a gun and have to undergo a huge registration and background check? Profiling would be good except do you think a criminal would answer...Yes, I am buying a gun so I can go rob a store? That will never happen. Rather than add another law to the books, how about just ENFORCING the ones already there?

The trouble with any gun control law is that once it is implemented the government can add anything they want to it. Does anyone hear the word...confiscation? I don't know about the rest of you but I hold the CONSTITUTION and my BILL OF RIGHTS dearly.

This is about our 2nd Amendment, to have and bear arms and they will NOT be infringed. Our founders put this in place to protect us against a corrupt government. Without it we are just SERFS (look it up).

Do you know the difference between a free man and a slave?...A GUN.

The second was....Governor Kasich deciding to expand Medicaid. What a stunner that was. When he ran for office he was a real conservative and in the first two years he did everything he said he was going to do.

He shrunk the government more than 7%, Reduced regulation, closed an \$8B budget gap and restored a \$247M Rainy Day Fund and (remember this) SLOWED MEDICAID GROWTH. And he said he was not going to put in a "Healthcare Exchange." Yeah!

Then something happened, was it a twisted arm? A special deal? What turned him 360 degrees to the other side?

Here's the deal....right now 1 in 5 people in the State of Ohio are on government assistance. Adding close to 400,000 more is not a good idea. Talk about a "nanny state," there won't be enough workers to pay for this. And that brings me to this point. Kasich says the federal government will reimburse him for the first two years \$2.4M. (N-H 2-10-13)

But how will a "broke" government

come up with the dough? Probably won't. They will borrow it and add more to our children's debt. And even if they do, then what? Who pays for it after that? He calls this bringing back some of our tax money, but I call it blood money. Money taxed off the backs of hard-working citizens. Also another Kasich quote (PD 2-17-13) "My whole attitude has been to come in here, do this for Ohio and get the heck out." So I am assuming that he is going to saddle us with this huge debt and leave us to pay the BILL. My grandchildren will be working as slaves for the rest of their lives: "Two ways to conquer and enslave a nation. One is by the sword, the other is by debt." John Adams - 1826.

Now we come to immigration. First of all there should be a "separate" bill just to close our borders. If this country cannot seal our borders as strongly as Iran and North Korea, to name a few, then we don't need any more legislation on this topic. I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANYMORE ABOUT IMMIGRATION OR AMNESTY.

Right now there are an estimated 11M illegal immigrants. (N-H 4-26-13). Without secure borders we will probably have another 11M before we know it. It also allows previously deported illegal immigrants to apply for amnesty, a spouse, parent or child, and how many more will there be?


Many I am sure will get Medicaid (remember story above) and some Medicare, welfare and subsidies for housing, food, and you name it. How will we be able to keep paying for this? By more and more TAXES. No one wants someone to go hungry or be homeless but many even in this city are doing all they can to keep themselves above water. I am sure many of these Medicaid people have lost jobs and possibly homes and are in need. What we really need is some COMMON SENSE PEOPLE IN OUR GOVERNMENT TO RESTORE OUR ECONOMY AND JOBS. Get most of these people back on track and there will be less to deal with.

"To preserve our independence, we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt....I am for a government rigorously frugal and simple."

"All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain SILENT."


Thomas Jefferson says it better than I ever could.

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