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## State of the City



by Gina M. Tabasso, HGR Industrial Surplus

On Feb. 22, Euclid Mayor Gail addressed members of the chamber, local businesses and the community over lunch at the Irish-American Club. The mayor introduced two tables of city employees in attendance then shared her commitment statement to provide Euclid residents and businesses with “the best services in a cost-effective and innovative manner.” She said there are three themes that consistently surface in her work with the city: investment, resilience and innovation.

She spoke mainly about investment, including the new Amazon fulfillment cen-

ter, other new businesses, and business and school expansions. She mentioned the recently created master plan and its goals for residents, businesses and infrastructure: stay, prosper, play, connect, engage and preserve. Finally, the mayor acknowledged the investment in safety by the police and fire departments. The police department received many prestigious safety awards for its work in 2017 and responded to 43,471 calls, while the fire department answered 10,825 fire and EMS calls.

The mayor closed the luncheon by looking forward toward more investment, resilience and innovation in 2018.

## Henn Mansion Supporters Pack Wine Tasting Event



Winners of the 50/50 raffle, David (left) and Joann Bambic (far right) were winners of the 50/50 raffle. Karen Steigerwald (center), a Henn volunteer, awarded the Bambics their \$165 in prize money.

( more photos and full story on page 18 )

## National Signing Day Celebration



Euclid High School proudly hosted a National Signing Day celebration on February 7, 2018, for the following impressive student-athletes: Caisja Chandler- University of Cincinnati (Track & Field), Arqun Bush- University of Cincinnati (Football), Ryan Johnson- Duquesne University (Football), Ronald Lee- Ashland University (Football), Cee Jay Hale- Urbana University (Football), Jovan Owens- Urbana University (Football), Philip Hawkins – Urbana University (Football). Congratulations to these dedicated seniors as they continue both their education and their sport.





## Dialogue

### From the desk of the Mayor



At the February 2nd City Council Meeting, City Council unanimously adopted the City of Euclid Master Plan. While this completes the planning process, the work to make it happen is just beginning! The Master

Plan Process was a year-long dynamic process led by the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission. I want to thank the many residents who were involved in the process and provided input, feedback and suggestions. The result was a plan that represents our community and offers a vision for a strong and vibrant future.

We went through a very robust process that included public input, public hearings, a steering committee of residents, a project team, online feedback and a Master Plan that includes data on current conditions, visions, goals, action items includ-

ing suggestions for implementation. The Goals are organized around key themes: Stay, Prosper, Play, Connect, Engage, and Preserve. The plan sets out policies for specific character areas such as the Lakefront neighborhoods, central neighborhoods, hilltop neighborhoods, downtown Euclid, neighborhood business centers, suburban centers, industrial core and civic core – as well as identifying core strategy or catalyst areas – that include downtown and lakefront, I-90 corridor, and Euclid Square Mall/ Bluestone Business Park, among others. I look forward to working with City Council, Directors and staff, as well as, residents and community stakeholders to begin the implementation and realization of our vision. Stay tuned for updates and progress reports. If you want to review the Master Plan, it is on our city website [www.cityofeuclid.com](http://www.cityofeuclid.com).

As March 17th is St. Patrick's Day, I want to take just a minute to recognize the Irish American Club as a valuable member of our Euclid community. While their cer-

tainly activities increase around St. Patrick's Day, they are busy throughout the year. The Irish American Club's mission is to promote the Irish heritage as a family organization and to sponsor social, cultural, educational and athletic programs for its members. Their facility at 22770 Lakeshore Blvd. includes a banquet hall, pub, gathering room and library. They are involved in the Euclid community and host many community events, fundraisers, and social events. If are interested in learning more, visit their website at [www.eastsideirish.org/](http://www.eastsideirish.org/) or call 216-731-4003. A special congratulations to the 2018 Member of Year, Linnea Meaney – a well-deserved honor!

Happy Spring! I look forward to seeing the sun, warmer weather, and greening of our city! A special thanks to the Keep Euclid Beautiful crew who has been working hard (see article to find out how you can get involved) and thanks to YOU for doing your part to make our city look its best!

Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail

### Keep Euclid Beautiful Sponsors 'Big Clean 2018' and Revives 'Adopt-a-Spot' Program



Save-the-date for 'The Big Clean 2018' on Saturday, April 21st, a community-wide clean up pitting Collinwood and Euclid in a competition to see which community collects the most trash.

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

The Keep Euclid Beautiful committee is hard at work planning environmentally friendly beautification programs to engage residents, business owners, and other stakeholders around the city.

Save-the-date for 'The Big Clean 2018' on Saturday, April 21st, a community-wide clean up pitting Collinwood and Euclid in a competition to see which community collects the most trash. Building off the success of last year's inaugural event, we are teaming up with the Litterbugz to make 'The Big Clean 2018' even bigger and empower even more folks to take action to

improve our neighborhoods and our Great Lake!

The fun begins at 9 am at Villa Angela-St. Joseph (VASJ) School, 18491 Lakeshore Boulevard, to pick up free cleanup supplies. Afterwards, celebrate all volunteers' efforts with free food, music, raffle prizes and more at VASJ. Best of all, we are bringing back a competition between Euclid and Collinwood to see which community collects the most bags of trash (Euclid won by a longshot last year.!).

Get involved by registering at [www.the-litterbugz.org/events/big-clean-2018](http://www.the-litterbugz.org/events/big-clean-2018) as an individual or as a team leader for a group.



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## Euclid Library

### March Programs at Euclid Public Library

#### Fireside Chat Series

**TUESDAY, MARCH 13 at 6:30 PM**  
by the Fireplace

Join EPL as we welcome **Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail** for a conversation about the City of Euclid and current events in the region.



by Ashley Gowens

**History of Jazz**

Wednesday, March 14

7:00 PM / Lake Room

**Ohio Means Jobs**

Tuesday, March 20

7:00 PM / Computer Training Room

Please call 261-5300 ext.0 to make a reservation

**A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Greatest Cartoon Characters in Television History**

Thursday, March 22

6:00 PM / Lake Room

**Remembering Euclid Square Mall**

Wednesday, March 28

7:00 PM / Lake Room

For a complete listing of programming, visit [www.euclidlibrary.org](http://www.euclidlibrary.org)

### EPL Introduces New Computer Sign-On System

by Ashley Gowens

On Monday, March 19, Euclid Public Library will unveil its new computer sign-on system for library patrons. In alignment with the other CLEVNET libraries, users will now have the ability to login to any computer at the library using their library card (no computer access card necessary) and bypass daily time limits when no one else is waiting. Cardholders will also have the ability to print up to \$1.00 worth of color and black & white copies free each day and pay only \$0.25/color and \$0.10/black & white for additional copies. Please note, current EPL computer access cards will no longer work beginning Monday, March 19; please visit the Check Out Desk to get a free



New Computer Sign-On Systems launching at EPL on Monday, March 19.

Library Card today.

*In preparation for the new computer sign-on system, the computers at EPL will be unavailable on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Patrons will still have access to the library's wireless internet inside the building and in the parking lot using a personal mobile device or laptop. Patrons can also check out available mobile hotspots for internet access.*

### Now Available: Mobile Hotspots

by Ashley Gowens

Let Euclid Public Library help you access the world beyond our four walls. Mobile hotspots are easy to use and allow devices such as phones, tablets or laptops to connect to the internet through Sprint's 4G network. Use our mobile hotspots to do homework, check email, and search for a job or anything else you might do on the

internet. Great at home or on the road, mobile hotspots allow you to stay connected without using your data plan. Patrons can check out mobile hotspots the same way you would a movie, book or CD on adult cards in good standing only, for a seven-day loan. Visit our website or stop by the library for more information. Some restrictions apply.

### One Community Reads



by Ashley Gowens

One Community Reads is a collaboration amongst the City Club of Cleveland, Playhouse Square and all nine local public library systems to create a shared reading experience for the Greater Cleveland community. Be sure to join us in March for our final One Community Read book club programs of the book *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond.

Tenant's Rights: What You Need to Know

Monday, March 12

6:00 PM / Lake Room

Join the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland for an informative presentation on your rights as a tenant to make sure you and your family can access and maintain safe housing.

Virtual Meet the Author: Matthew Desmond

Thursday, March 15

6:30 PM / Lake Room

Join us this evening to watch Pulitzer Prize winning author Matthew Desmond discuss his book *Evicted* and how this affects the communities in Cuyahoga County. Event will be live-streamed from Playhouse Square.

For a full listing of programs and events, please visit [www.onecommunityreads.org](http://www.onecommunityreads.org)

### Renée Watson, Ekua Holmes win 2018 Coretta Scott King Book Awards



2018 Coretta Scott King Book Awards Jury

by Ashley Gowens

In February, Euclid Public Library Director Kacie Armstrong attend the American Library Association (ALA) Midwinter Meeting & Exhibits in Denver, Colorado, as a member of the 2018 Coretta Scott King Book Awards Jury. This year, the jury named Renée Watson, author of "Piecing Me Together," and Ekua Holmes, illustrator of "Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets," as the winners of the 2018 Coretta Scott King Book Awards honoring African American authors and illustrators of outstanding books for children and young adults.

"It has been a pleasure serving on the Coretta Scott King Book Awards Jury for the past two years," said Director Kacie Armstrong. "Diversity and representation are so important for young readers, and EPL is committed to making sure these

award-winning books and authors are available to the community."

The Coretta Scott King Book Awards are presented annually by the Coretta Scott King Book Awards Committee of the ALA's Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT) to encourage the artistic expression of the African American experience via literature and the graphic arts; to promote an understanding and appreciation of the Black culture and experience, and to commemorate the life and legacy of Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination in supporting the work of her husband, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., for peace and world brotherhood.

For information on the Coretta Scott King Book Awards and other ALA Youth Media Awards, please visit [www.ala.org/yma](http://www.ala.org/yma).

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Euclid Arts

Euclid Art Association’s February Meeting Featured Victoria Wagner



by Susan Herrle

Our February meeting featured the artistic talents of Victoria Wagner, demonstrating “Portraiture Techniques in Oil”. Victoria has been teaching art for 25 years, but she’s been painting for 50! She currently teaches workshops in oil, acrylic and watercolor at the Valley Art Center in Chagrin Falls.... Thursday though Saturday. Then, on Mondays Victoria teaches art therapy at a Memory Care Center. She saves Tuesdays, as a day that she can just paint for herself. Even though Victoria uses every kind of medium in her artwork, her favorite is definitely oil. She enjoys painting anywhere, outdoors or inside, and quickly. She did a lovely little oil painting of a vineyard, plein air, in Tuscany, Italy. She can’t wait to return to Tuscany....I love sipping wine and painting!”

Victoria considers everything a portrait, even her beautiful oil painting of a baby alpaca, which was accepted into the Oil Painters of America. Her objective for the evening was to complete an oil portrait in just about an hour. Victoria selected member, Kelley Davis, from the audience as her model. As Kelley’s likeness came alive on the canvas, Victoria gave us many interesting tips. She said to think colors and

shapes, which is reflected in her favorite quote from Monet: “Try to forget what objects you have before you - a tree, a house, a field, or whatever(a person). Merely think, ‘Here is a little square of blue, here an ob-long of pink, here a streak of yellow,’ and paint it just as it looks to you, the exact color and shape, until it gives you your own impression of the scene before you.” To reinforce this concept, she has her students turn their photo reference upside down and paint the portrait that way!

First, Victoria began with a charcoal outline for placement on the linen canvas. She used Willow charcoal. She said, “Don’t us anything with lead in it, as turpentine (used in oil painting) tends to turn the lead into gray paint on the canvas.” She suggested painting the portrait no bigger than life size. When placing the mouth, she said that the line between the lips is more important than “the lipstick thing” above and below. Tip about eyes: think deconstructed, think of the eyeball as a marble and think of clay or pie crust around it. Then, she said that the eyes won’t end up looking like cat eyes!

After the charcoal sketch, Victoria stepped away from the canvas and then ‘slapped it’ with a paper towel to tone down

the drawing. Next, using a mixture of alizarin crimson and burnt umber, she outlined her sketch with this reddish brown color. At this point, she said “Kelley, you’re lovely!” Victoria uses dark colors first and for as long as she can. Then, she moved to the lighter colors. In this first pass, she thinned her paints with turpentine, an odorless turpentine. “Don’t add other mediums to your paints in this first sitting”, she said. After the canvas is covered and you return to the work, you can mix paints with other mediums, such as linseed oil. Even for the flesh tones, she started with the darker skin color first....a mixture of cadmium red and yellow ochre, with a touch of cobalt blue; purple for the shadows. She reminded us again to “remember shapes”. “No eyebrows yet” she said, as they will end up looking like a caterpillar crawling across the face. Another tip: Victoria doesn’t allow her students to use black on their palettes. Make your own black by using opposites on the color wheel or the triad (three colors evenly spaced around the color wheel).

Using her favorite Filbert brushes (versatile, long, oval shaped and pointed), she put in the shadow color under the chin, nose and eyes. She said “the keystone shape between the eyes, is always more shadowed.”

If you don’t know what the color is, she suggested you look at something white and then back at the object. She can hear her favorite teacher, Jose Cintron, whispering to her “See a color, put it down!” As she finished the painting, it was like watching a dance. Her many paint brushes flared behind her in her left hand, while her right hand stretched forward and moved across the canvas, blending in the final colors. Someone in the audience started playing classical music. “I love playing music while I paint”, she said. It was about an hour and a half later and the beautiful painting of Kelley was done!...an amazing likeness. Victoria graciously gave Kelley the finished portrait.

Close to 30 members and guests sat in quiet amazement as we watched Victoria paint and, of course, we all delighted in the refreshments afterwards. Valentine’s Day was the theme for the evening’s refreshments....many thanks to Joan Milligan, Dottie Geisert and Helen Karpoff. We enjoyed so many delicious treats....valentine heart cakes, cream puffs, bacon wrapped chicken, veggie tray with homemade sour cream dill dip, fresh orange wedges, assorted cookies, fruit skewers, and cheese & crackers.

HGR

Euclid plant manufactures components for naval nuclear reactors



(courtesy of the U.S. Navy): The aircraft carrier U.S.S. George H.W. Bush underway from its home port in Norfolk, Va. own



(courtesy of the U.S. Navy): A Los Angeles-class nuclear-powered fast attack submarine heads out to sea after a brief port visit in Greece.



by Gina M. Tabasso

(An interview with Doug Paulson, general manager, BWX Technologies, Euclid, Ohio)

**Tell me about how your business started.**

BWX Technologies, Inc. (BWXT) traces its history all the way back to the 1850s when Stephen Wilcox patented the water tube boiler. Almost 100 years later, with the advent of nuclear energy, our expertise in the power generation business put us at the forefront of commercial and government nuclear industries. Operating for many years as the Babcock & Wilcox Company, we spun off our power generation business in 2015 to allow BWXT to focus on government and nuclear operations.

**Why was the decision made to locate in Euclid?**

BWXT purchased the Euclid operations from an offshoot of TRW in 2007. TRW’s predecessors have been in the Cleveland area since the early 1900s and here on Euclid Avenue since before World War II.

**How are the products that you manufacture used?**

BWXT’s Euclid site manufactures electro-mechanical components for naval nuclear reactors used in submarines and aircraft carriers.

**How many employees work in the facility in Euclid, and what kind of skilled labor do you hire?**

About 350 employees work at our Euclid facility. Due to the high-consequence nature of our products, most of our employees are considered to be highly skilled. We employ machinists, welders, inspectors, engineers and a variety of professional support staff.

**Are there ways that the company participates in the community?**

We support the community through sponsorship of Euclid Chamber of Commerce events and contribute to a number of deserving charitable organizations in the community such as the United Way.

**What do you think is the biggest challenge that manufacturing currently faces?**

The retirement of the older generation of trade workers has, in many cases, left manufacturers with more openings than there are qualified and available employees. This is exacerbated by generally low unemployment. We have an advantage in that our factories have industry-leading safety records and that our work is especially meaningful. Our employees take tremendous pride in the fact that our products keep our sailors and our nation safe. These jobs pay well and do not require tens of thousands of dollars in student loans, so attitudes about trades and technical careers are changing quickly. Our schools and community colleges are helping us narrow the gap.

**What does the future of manufacturing, especially in Northeast Ohio, look like?**

We can only speak for ourselves. This is an exciting time to work for BWXT. BWXT’s Nuclear Operations Group, which includes

our Euclid and Barberton manufacturing facilities, has reported record revenues each quarter for the last few years. The Nuclear Operations Group had a backlog of nearly \$3 billion at the end of September. Our fourth quarter and full-year 2017 results were announced Feb. 28, 2018.

**What inspires you?**

Our products enable our sailors to carry out their mission to keep our nation safe. We keep those customers in the forefront of our minds in everything we do.

**Are there interesting facts about your business that most people don’t know?**

In August 2017, NASA awarded the company an \$18.8 million contract to start designing a Nuclear Thermal Propulsion (NTP) reactor in support of a possible future manned mission to Mars. With NTP technology’s high-energy density and resulting spacecraft thrust, NASA is projecting up to a 50 percent reduction in interplanetary travel times compared to chemical rockets, significantly increasing the crew’s safety by reducing exposure to cosmic radiation. Gina M. Tabasso, marketing communications specialist, HGR Industrial Surplus, [www.hgrinc.com](http://www.hgrinc.com)

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Shore has plenty of fantastic ongoing classes for both kids and adults. Register today for Modern or West African Dance , Fitness classes, or Air Brush Painting. Stop by our Open Pottery studio and get creative! These and many more classes are continuing to take registrations for the ongoing Spring session. For more information, visit shoreculturalcentre.com/ programs.

THE EUCLID WIND FESTIVAL IS COMING

The Fest will once again be held this year at Euclid’s Sims Park on the shores of Lake Erie! Join us on Saturday, June 16th pm for music, food, fun, as well as displays and activities for all ages. For sponsorship info, send an email to llk@thecoralcompany.com

What Can Kiddie City Child Care Community Do for YOU on April 14th?



Raffle goodies ready to be won at Kiddie City’s “Funds for Fun”.

by Sherrie Zagorc  
What Can Kiddie City Child Care Community Do for YOU on April 14th?  
Relieve the stress of the week. Provide your favorite Saturday snacks and beverages. Entertain your friends and family. Make you laugh. Promote your business. Introduce you to new friends, neighbors, and a great community organization (KC, of course). Provide an opportunity to win

cool stuff. Increase your connections with Euclid’s youngest children and early childhood educators.  
What Can YOU Do for Kiddie City Child Care Community?  
Attend Kiddie City’s “Funds for Fun” Saturday, April 14th at 6:30 pm in the Kiddie City gym. Buy one or two tickets or a table of eight to enjoy the night with your family, friends, or co-workers. Create a sponsorship. Donate a basket, a gift, an experience, your business specialty, or something you’ve created as a raffle prize. Spread the word, promote our work, and help us provide educational enrichments for Euclid’s children.  
Kiddie City “Funds for Fun” Comedy Night and Raffle  
Saturday, April 14, 2018 6:30 pm – 11 pm  
280 E. 206th St., Euclid, Ohio 44123  
\$27 per person, \$52 per couple, \$200 for a table of 8.  
Call 216-481-9044 for tickets, sponsorships, contributions, and more information.

Animal rescue in need of support

by Mary Vorisek  
Please support abused neglected and unadoptable animals.  
Heaven’s homeless angels is this non-profit special needs animal shelter devoted to the hospice care of unadoptable animals. The number of animals in our care along with the severity of their illnesses has made it necessary to ask for assistance in order to meet their needs.  
Please join us March 24th 2018 10 a.m.

to 2 p.m. at Savers Thrift Store 30604 Lakeshore Boulevard Willowick.  
Please donate gently used household items clothing, Linens, kitchen utensils, dishes, furniture Etc in the name of Heavens homeless angels or simply the animal rescue.  
These funds are desperately needed for medications, Veterinary costs, and surgery. Thank you from all our hearts big and small.

Community

Lake Erie Folk Fest Fills Shore Cultural Centre



Jamming in the hallway during the Lake Erie Folk Fest at Shore. Photo by Jen Hearn Photography

by Jim Spittle  
It seemed that every hall, room and space inside Shore Cultural Centre was filled on Saturday, February 24, with the foot tap-pin’ sounds of folk music during the 3rd Annual Lake Erie Folk Fest. Folk and traditional music lovers from Northeast Ohio and beyond enjoyed and took part in a variety of events throughout the day and night. Over 600 people attended the free afternoon events while the evening concert in Shore auditorium drew more than 500.  
People participated in popup jam sessions in hallways, basement corridors and rooms especially designated for jamming. 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. Three workshops in the

afternoon featured members of Ten Strings And A Goat Skin, the evening concert’s headliner. Young people were entertained with various kinds of dancing, storytelling and crafts. 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 served sandwiches and an array of hot foods to hungry attendees. No matter where one found themselves during the day, they were met with big smiles and spirit lifting music.  
That evening, many of the same people and more were treated to a concert featuring an eclectic mix of musical artists. The show began with the stirring and rhythmic dancing and drumming of Tam Tam Magic, an ensemble dedicated to music and dance of West Africa. Wakeman, Ohio native now Cleveland resident, Emily Keener followed with a return performance of



Paul Kovac teaches a class on bluegrass banjo at the Lake Erie Folk Fest at Shore. Photo by Jen Hearn Photography

some of her original and mellow songs. Emily performed solo but filled the auditorium with her strong vocals and guitar playing.  
Concluding the first half of the concert were the traditional sounds of Aaron Jonah Lewis (fiddle, banjo, vocals) & Lindsay McCaw (guitar, vocals). Aaron is an accomplished bluegrass and roots music fiddle player who accompanied Lindsay’s guitar and vocals. The highlight of the set was their cover of “The Mockingbird Song” featuring Aaron imitating a plethora of bird sounds on his fiddle.  
The second half of the concert opened with the wonderful harmonic singing of Fantje na vasi, a Slovenian men’s chorus. Dressed in black tux’s, the thirteen gentlemen mesmerized the audience with their traditional native folk songs. Proceeding then were the headliners, Ten Strings And A Goat Skin from Prince Edward Island.  
Their hour-long set featured a blend of traditional and modern styles of French Canadian music. Caleb Gallant (percussion, vocals), Rowen Gallant (fiddle, vocals) and Jesse Periard (guitar, vocals) captured the audience from the very beginning with their masterful performance. At the end the crowd, in unison, came to its feet applauding and cheering. The three-hour concert left the over 500 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, Guitar Riot of Cleveland, Studio Strings in Medina, the Village Blacksmith and Sam Ash Music Stores along with the many who donated to the Festival on-line at Indiegogo.com.

Big Heart Yoga: some changes made but everything Euclid loves is staying the same



by Jerry Pockar  
Job stress took Kerianne Sidoti to the mat, the yoga mat. The slang “go to the mat” points to fighting, struggle. The surprise for Kerianne was that the yoga mat gave her the opposite. It gave her: relaxing, opening, strength and discovery - discovering how her body works, how her mind works. That discovery translated into the

strengthening my body and mind.”  
After practicing yoga for several years at Euclid’s OneTree Yoga, Kerianne was ready to take her practice to the next level and share what she had learned so far. She decided to take an intensive yoga teacher training course in Maine – at the cost of her job. When she returned home, she began teaching in several local yoga studios.  
While walking through their neighborhood with her husband, Evan, one morning this November, Kerianne said to Evan: “Maybe one day I’ll own OneTree.” Four days later Cathy Picozzi sent her teachers an-email, saying, “I’d sell OneTree to the right person.” When she received the email, Kerianne said to Evan, “Let’s do it.” He agreed.  
Kerianne told Cathy she would only buy the studio if Cathy stayed on as a teacher. Cathy, in turn, told the Observer: “I think Euclid is blessed to have a studio leader who is passionately committed to serving this studio community, sometimes at surprising costs.”  
So, there are transitions taking place in the studio’s thirteenth year. Ownership from Cathy to Kerianne; a new home on the corner of East 200th and Lakeshore and a new name - Big Heart Yoga. Life’s complications and a growing yoga studio brought

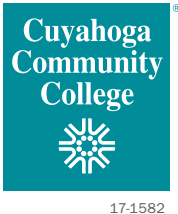
When Valencia came to Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C), her life changed. She capitalized on the financial, professional and personal support the College offered, and Tri-C became the foundation of the professional she is today. Are you ready to start your new career?

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Ask an Officer



EPD

Last year at this time we encouraged community members to join the OCPA. Please consider joining if you haven't already. The Ohio Crime Prevention Association (OCPA) was founded in 1977 by a core group of dedicated law enforcement officers concerned about the safety of Ohio residents. OCPA is the nation's largest state crime prevention association, with a diverse membership representing law enforcement agencies, government offices, businesses, the faith community and resident groups. As the Professional Voice of Crime Prevention in Ohio, OCPA is a clearinghouse for state and national crime prevention and community policing training and resources. OCPA projects range from basic

by Kate McLaughlin  
**Question: What is the Ohio Crime Prevention Association?**  
  
**Answer: Ed Bonchak and Kate McLaughlin,**

crime prevention schools and conferences, to training on important crime prevention topics, and timely publications. Several members of Euclid Police Department's Community Policing Unit are crime preventions specialist through the OCPA. We provide security checks for properties, CPTED (crime prevention through environmental design) security analysis for businesses, resources, presentations to various groups, organizations and schools. EPD highly recommends checking out the OCPA website at [www.ocpa-oh.org/](http://www.ocpa-oh.org/) for more information and to register. OCPA offers membership for individuals and organizations and includes benefits such as a resource center and lending library, training opportunities, and crime prevention specialist certification. Euclid is in OCPA District 3 which meets several times each year in different Northeast Ohio locations. The next OCPA District 3 meeting is Thursday, March 15th in Solon. Individuals, businesses, organizations and churches are all welcome to join. If you are considering this, contact the Community Policing Unit at 289-8449 and we'll let you know the time and place.

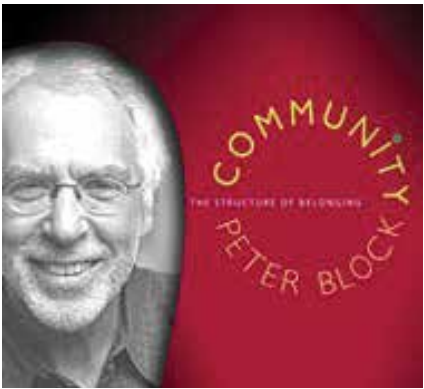
Euclid Police Partners with Moore Counseling & Mediation Services, Inc. in Response to the Opiate Epidemic in Cuyahoga County



by Veronica McGraw  
The Euclid Police Department and Moore Counseling & Mediation Services, Inc. (MCMS) announces their new partnership to launch the "Safe Passages" initiative in response to the opiate epidemic in Cuyahoga County. Safe passages is also referred to as The Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI). Safe passages initiative is a pre-arrest referral program designed to assist individuals experiencing opioid disorders. This initiative provides intervention, assessment, referral and treatment services for individuals presenting at participating law enforcement agencies and seeking assistance for opioid addiction. The Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board of Cuyahoga County provided the funding for this initiative and chose MCMS as the referring agency. An individual can walk into the Euclid police department and request treatment services. Upon referral from the police department, a MCMS counselor will travel to the police station to conduct an on-site clinical assessment within one hour of referral. Depending on the individual's diagnosis, the client will be immediately referred for ongoing treatment services.

MCMS counselors will remain engaged with the client throughout the treatment process to ensure the client is provided with all the necessary resources. This initiative is restricted to individuals diagnosed with an opioid disorder. All Euclid police officers received thorough training by MCMS counselors. John Carroll University students and faculty will develop a data collection instrument to collect client-level data including demographic information, ongoing treatment outcome data. Client-level data will be collected at initial point of contact, admission to treatment, continued stay and discharge. The data will later be shared with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to measure the outcome of the program. MCMS is also the safe passages referring agency for the Highland Heights, Lyndhurst, Richmond Heights, Mayfield Heights and Mayfield Village police departments in the Hillcrest area. The Euclid Police Department and MCMS will launch the safe passages initiative on March 5, 2018. Call 216-508-6633 to learn more about the initiative.

Community and Neighborhood Engagement



by Brian Moore  
On Wednesday, February 21, I was happy to chair my first Community and Neighborhood Engagement Committee Meeting of City Council. The other members of this group include Councilwoman Taneika Hill, Councilwoman Charlene Mancuso and Councilwoman Christine MacIntosh. Councilwoman Stephana Caviness and Councilman John Wojtila also attended the meeting. The meeting started out with an explanation about what I hope this committee will accomplish over time. I introduced three YouTube videos by Peter Block, author of Community, The Structure of Belonging, to introduce a new way of thinking about community engagement. Peter Block speaks in terms of transformation rather than simply making improvements. He encourages leaders and citizens to look at things in an entirely different way to create a future that is distinct from the past. Block encourages leaders to create conditions for civic engagement by using the power they hold to convene and define the conversation for people when

they gather. When leaders invite, people often come. That is one of the greatest powers they have, gathering people. Citizens are encouraged to view themselves as owners and co-creators rather than consumers. Residents that live in a neighborhood know better than any outsider what needs to change, what has been tried before and what may work. The power to create the future we desire requires all of us to choose to be accountable. To be accountable, among other things, means you act as an owner and co-creator of whatever it is you want to improve. Working together, citizens, city government and businesses, we can build the social fabric of our neighborhoods and transform the separation within our communities into connectedness much like neighborhoods of the past. Neighbors getting to know each other and working for the common good can make a huge difference in Euclid. You don't have to own a home to take ownership of a neighborhood. The neighborhood you live in is your neighborhood. What do you want it to look like? How do you want people to treat each other? What would make it a more desirable place to live? I look forward to working with anyone that is interested in creating the future we want to see, one that is markedly different from the past. If you are interested in hearing more about this different way to be engaged in the community, I encourage you to come to the next Community and Neighborhood Engagement meeting on Wednesday, March 21 at 6:30 p.m. at Euclid City Hall.

Resident Escapes Burning Euclid Apartment



At 9:39 PM on Sunday, February 25, the Euclid Fire Department (EFD) responded to a fire at the Normandy Tower Apartment complex on Lake Shore Boulevard. The call originated from the building's recently upgraded fire alarm system. Fourteen Euclid firefighters responded extinguishing the flames within seven minutes of arrival. Upon entering the building, firefighters saw black smoke coming from an apartment on the first floor of the nine story residential high-rise. They entered the apartment and searched for possible victims while extinguishing the fire with one hose line. There were no injuries and the elderly resident of the suite escaped unharmed. The origin and cause is under investigation by the department's fire investigation unit. The preliminary loss estimate for the building and contents is \$23,000. Residents of high rise apartment buildings are reminded to evacuate the building if the fire alarm sounds and it is safe to do so. If there is smoke or fire in the hallway or your find smoke in the stairwell, close the door to your apartment and shelter in place until firefighters put the fire out and clear the smoke. Residential high rise buildings are designed to contain the fire and smoke to the unit of origin. If your life is in danger, call 911 and report your location.

Euclid Fire Department

February 2018 - Monthly Service Report	\$10,741,000
Total February Responses – 818	Percentage of property saved: 98.48%
YTD Responses (as of 2/28/18) – 1,832	Percentage of property lost: 1.52%
Fires: 13 (6 building, 2 cooking, 5 vehicles)	
Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (no fire): 0	
EMS/Rescues: 731	
Hazardous Condition (no fire): 12	
Service Calls: 24	
Good Intent Calls: 10	
False Alarm & False Calls: 28	
Special Incident Types: 0	
Mutual Aid Given: 4	
Mutual Aid Received: 6	
Estimated Total Property Lost: \$166,000	
Estimated Total Property Saved:	



City of Euclid



School of Thought



by Brian Moore  
Over the first two months of 2018 I have visited all five school in Ward 2 because I feel that a good education is critical to success in life. Those schools include Arbor Elementary, Chardon Hills Elementary, Euclid Preparatory, Noble Academy and Pinnacle Academy. When you look at many of the issues that confront society today like unemployment, crime, over-filled prisons and homelessness to name a few, I think you would agree with me that a quality education is a necessity. I realize that discussions on education are often contentious and political. There

are many issues to be sure: school funding, charter versus public districts, unfunded mandates, accountability, etc. I am not trying to solve any of those issues. What I would like to do is share my observations with you. I can tell you without a doubt that all of the schools provide many more services to families than they did when I was a child or even when my children went to school. Schools are expected to do much more than educate children as though educating wasn't difficult enough. Today's teachers are instructors, coaches, comforters, encouragers, disciplinarians, nurses, social workers and the list goes on and on. They

Ward 5 Community Meeting To Be Held April 7th

by Christine McIntosh  
Greetings Ward 5 residents! It's my pleasure to invite you to our upcoming Ward 5 Community meeting on Saturday, April 7th, 2018 at the Lakefront Community Center located at 1 Bliss Lane from 10-11:30 am. Speakers include Mayor Gail, Council President Mancuso, Planning & Development director Jonathan Holody and Keep Euclid Beautiful chairperson Linda Beck. I look forward to meeting many of you on April 7th! Sincerely, Christine McIntosh Ward 5 Councilwoman 216-333-8601

Home Repair Resource Center: Euclid Series

by Mary Mastalski  
Residents gathered at the Lakefront Community Center in late January and early February to find out how to be their own fixer-uppers. Home Repair Resource Center (HRRC), based out of Cleveland Heights, held workshops at the Center for community members to learn how to repair drywall and plaster wall. These two successful events were the first of many repair workshops to be held here as Euclid is a partner city of HRRC. Due to this partnership, Euclid residents are able to borrow tools from HRRC's tool library located at their Noble Road site. Any member of a partner city, or anyone who has taken a workshop repair class is eligible to join the tool library for only \$25 per year. This membership provides weekly rentals of tools needed for DIY jobs inside or outside your home. In addition to access



to workshops and the tool library, HRRC also offers technical assistance to residents seeking to make improvements or to their home. For more information and to sign up for workshops, visit [hrcc-ch.org](http://hrcc-ch.org) or call (216) 381-6100. Stay tuned for future events here in Euclid!

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## Bike News

### Bike News



bikeEuclid.org

by Kath Sonnhalter

#### EUCLID MASTER PLAN and EXPLORE YOUR WARD BIKE RIDES

Bike Euclid applauds and encourages implementation of improvements to bicycling infrastructure included in the Euclid Master Plan, unanimously adopted by Euclid City Council February 5, 2018. We support the Trail Network recommendations, particularly the East 222nd Street Trail, a safe and necessary north-south connector in Euclid's multi-modal transportation network. Find the plan at [www.cityofeuclid.com/community/development/EuclidMasterPlan](http://www.cityofeuclid.com/community/development/EuclidMasterPlan). And as the Euclid's Waterfront Improvement project proceeds, Bike Euclid again wrote a letter of support for the City of Euclid's Recreational Trails Program & Clean Ohio Trails Fund request for the Euclid Waterfront East Link Trail project. We have also provided support to help build walking/biking paths in Memorial Park through the City of Euclid's Safe Routes to School submission for the Safe Routes to Park grant.

Explore your Ward with Bike Euclid! Beginning this year, Bike Euclid is teaming up with local councilpersons for bike rides through various parts of our community. The routes will highlight Euclid Master Plan recommendations. All are welcome! The first ride is hosted by our new Ward 4 councilperson, Christine McIntosh. Meet at Sims Park, near the Henn Mansion, April 14, 10 am - Noon. Dress for the weather, bring your bike (in good working order) and wear a helmet. Enjoy a brief safety presentation by Bike Cleveland's Deltrece Daniels, followed by a short leisurely pedal through the local neighborhood and back

to Sims Park. All participants must sign a waiver. All minors must be accompanied by an adult participant. All participants will receive a copy of the booklet Biking in Cleveland - A Guide, as well as a Bike Euclid button and a chance to win a Bike Euclid T-shirt and full front (white) and rear (red) light set! Riders of all levels are welcome! More experienced riders are invited to help, contact us at [bikeEuclid@gmail.com](mailto:bikeEuclid@gmail.com) with "Volunteer for Explore Your Ward" in the subject line. Contact your councilperson and tell them you are interested!

And as we move into warmer weather, take the 10 Minute Challenge. It is a simple way to add more biking to your life. It starts with the idea that for destinations within 10 minutes by bike from your starting point, biking is often the fastest, most practical option. The 10 Minute Challenge says that for trips two miles and under, biking rather than driving may save time and money. It's something to think about the next time you're on your way to the supermarket, the bank, the library, or one of our fabulous local parks. (from Biking in Cleveland - A Guide)

#### SAFETY

Our area was developed at a time when many did not own cars and is thus configured to support travel in a variety of ways. Whether by bike, car, or on foot, by following the law and being observant of our surroundings, together we have the power to give each other the safe streets we all want. We also honor and show respect for one another by providing a clear and safe distance for pedestrians at crosswalks and by giving the three foot minimum between cars and bicycles when passing, according to state law (ORC 4511.27).

Consider the American Bicycling Education Association position statement (<https://abea.bike>):

- Bicycling is a relatively safe activity and safe mode of transportation. As with any other activity, some individuals are more prone to risky behavior than others, and the unsafe behaviors of those bicyclists make the overall risk seem higher than it really is for the reasonably cautious person.
- Bicycling has some inherent safety advantages compared to automobile travel.

Slower operating speeds give cyclists more time to see, react to, and avoid hazards and conflicts. The bicycle's narrow profile allows for greater maneuverability. The lack of a steel and glass body means the cyclist can see and hear better than a motorist. By being physically active, a bicyclist is generally more alert than a motorist.

- Based on data from the American Community Survey and the National Highway & Traffic Safety Administration, American bicyclists travel about 9 billion miles per year, and about 750 per year are killed in crashes with motor vehicles. This means the average bicyclist will travel 12 million miles before a fatal crash.
- Characterizing bicycling as dangerous is detrimental not only to the activity's reputation, but to individual bicyclists as well, as many resort to ill-advised behaviors out of fear – behaviors that unfortunately actually increase their risk.

According to a report published by the American Journal of Epidemiology, Volume 166, Issue 2, 15 July 2007, "Motor Vehicle Crash Injury Rates by Mode of Travel, United States: Using Exposure-Based Methods to Quantify Differences", authored by Laurie F. Beck Ann M. Delinger Mary E. O'Neil, "The fatality rates for motor vehicle occupants, pedestrians, and bicyclists were 12.7, 1.6, and 0.3 per 100,000 population, respectively". Simply put, you are about 42 times more likely to be in a fatal collision when in a car than on a bike.

And a study released in 2014 in the Journal of Safety Research, on the incidence of injuries in bicycle-pedestrian collisions, between 2004 and 2011, authored by Peter Tuckel and William Milczarski of Hunter College-City University of New York and Richard Maisel of New York University, states that, "...despite a steep increase of bicycle traffic, the rate of bicycle-pedestrian collisions is actually now on its way down." They make the observation that this increase in safety is due in large part to people simply paying more attention to one another.

We can do this! We can, together, create safe streets for all.

#### THE LAW

Ohio bicycling laws, summarized and according to OHIO REVISED CODE 2018:

- Bikes are legal vehicles and belong on the road. (ORC 4511.01)
- Cyclists should ride on the right side of the roadway, with traffic. (ORC 4511.25a)
- Cyclists may use the full lane just like cars. (ORC 4511.55)
- Motorists must give cyclists 3 foot minimum safe distance when passing. (ORC 4511.27)
- Cyclists may ride two abreast, but should avoid unnecessary delays to other traffic. (ORC 4511.55)
- Bikes should turn like any other vehicle - by merging to the appropriate lane and yielding to any traffic that has the right of way. (ORC 4511.36)
- A white headlight, red rear reflector and red taillight are required when riding at night. (ORC 4511.56)

Motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists must know and understand these laws so we can better support each other in the safe use of our shared roadways. For further reading on the topic, we suggest checking out these online resources;

Steve Magus, Ohio Bike Lawyer ([www.ohiobikelawyer.com](http://www.ohiobikelawyer.com)) grew up in Euclid and is a statewide authority on bicycling and the law.

Ken Knabe, Greater Cleveland's Bicycle & Car Accident and Safety Attorney, is an active member and enthusiastic supporter of Bike Euclid and Bike Cleveland. Ken has graciously compiled for us a list of all laws in the city of Euclid pertaining to bicycling, which can be found at <http://klfohio.com/blog/euclid-ohio-bicycle-laws>.

#### T-SHIRTS

Show your pride in Euclid and support safe streets! Watch for Bike Euclid T-shirts to be for sale soon at Euclid City Hall, including some of the original design (with the hand painted Bike Euclid logo), children sizes, and new t-shirts with a safety message printed on the back. T-shirts are \$20 and available at the City of Euclid Recreation Department window, during normal hours. Proceeds go directly to Bike Euclid advocacy efforts and support safe streets for all. Thank you for your support!



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## OLL Welcomes Visitor From Ghana



Thomas Awiapo speaking with OLL congregation

On Friday, February 23 and again on Sunday, February 25, Our Lady of the Lake was blessed to have in our presence Mr. Thomas Awiapo from Ghana. Mr Awiapo is on a 10-week tour of the United States in support of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), especially the Rice Bowl campaign for Lent, which began at OLL on Ash Wednesday.

Mr. Awiapo shared his story with the OLL school students in Grades 6 – 8 on Friday, February 23, as well as the students in grades K-8 in PSR on Sunday morning.

His is a story of survival which includes the painful loss of his two younger brothers through sickness and death, while also being abandoned by an older brother whom he has not seen in 40 years. However, due to the food provided for students at a CRS-sponsored school, Mr. Awiapo was eventually able to go from the brink of sickness and death due to hunger to achieve his Masters Degree in Public Administration. The students also had ample time to ask him questions about his family, his country



Thomas Awiapo (holding white sign) with 6-8 grade students at OLL School

and his experience of living and traveling in the USA. In addition to the students, Mr. Awiapo addressed the parish congregation on Sunday morning and met with interested parishioners after Mass as well.

Started as an ecumenical effort in the diocese of Allentown, PA, in 1975, CRS Rice Bowl soon spread across the country as it called on Catholics to perform a simple act of Lenten sacrifice – substitute a low-cost meatless meal for more expensive dining once a week during Lent and put the money

saved in a cardboard rice bowl.

Funds collected in the rice bowls, which are turned in at the end of Lent, are distributed both around the world and in local communities to combat hunger – 75 percent of every donation goes to CRS programming in targeted countries worldwide while 25 percent remains in the local diocese from which the donation came, supporting initiatives that help alleviate poverty.

## Preparing for Baptism at OLL



Families from OLL visited the Cathedral and met the Bishop as they prepared for baptism.

On Sunday, February 18, two children from Our Lady of the Lake School, along with their parents and families, traveled to St. John Cathedral for the "Rite of Election of Catechumens." This trip followed the "Rite of Sending" at Our Lady of the Lake, where Fr. Joe Fortuna, Pastor, and the entire congregation prayed over and blessed them as they approached this step toward baptism.

At the Cathedral, Bishop Nelson Perez, Bishop of Cleveland, personally greeted each, along with the OLL catechumens, Ava Kless and Aiden Doyle. Bishop Perez also spoke to the dozens of catechumens gathered in the Cathedral using these words, "We've been praying for you and

will be walking with you." He also assured them as they approach baptism that, "The Holy Father tells us the Lord is already there, waiting for us with open arms. How blessed we are."

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the preparation process for Baptism, as well as Confirmation and Eucharist, for those who desire to become Catholic. All are welcome to join OLL for the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 31, at 8:00 pm, when Aiden and Ava will be baptized, confirmed and receive their first Eucharist (First Communion), thus completing the "sacraments of initiation."

## Join OLL for Easter!

Our Lady of the Lake is a welcoming Catholic Community. Come and see!

Living Stations of the Cross : March 23 at 8:00pm

Community Stations of the Cross: March 30 at Noon

Tenebrae : March 28 at 7:00pm

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper : March 29 at 7:00pm

Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of the Lord : March 30 at 7:00pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil : March 31 at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday Mass : April 1 at 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

## OLL Named Organization of the Year



Our Lady of the Lake has been named Organization of the Year by the Euclid Chamber of Commerce, in its annual business awards. "We are excited to celebrate Our Lady of the Lake Parish as a 2017 Award Winner," said Chamber Director Sheila Gibbons. "Our Lady of the Lake created a new path for small business owners to grow and prosper in our community and we are proud to partner with them."

Gibbons refers to the new Micro-Lending Program launched by Fr. Joe Fortuna at Our Lady of the Lake, a groundbreaking social justice program the parish has pio-

neered that provides access to lending options for start-ups and small businesses in the Euclid and North Collinwood communities. The program has funded five loans, achieved a 100% online repayment rate thus far, and helped to develop a new network of loan recipients and engaged parishioners who work together to build capacity and increase access to resources and opportunities for success. For more information about OLL's award-winning program, visit [www.OLLEuclid.org](http://www.OLLEuclid.org), or email [Joe@OLLEuclid.org](mailto:Joe@OLLEuclid.org).

## Living Stations Tradition at OLL



Living Stations of the Cross has been a cherished tradition at Our Lady of the Lake for many years. We invite all of our friends and neighbors to join us for this very special experience. All are welcome!

Friday, March 28  
8:00pm

For more information, visit our website at [www.OLLEuclid.org](http://www.OLLEuclid.org), or email Rita Testa, Youth Minister -- [Rita@OLLEuclid.org](mailto:Rita@OLLEuclid.org).





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## Black History Month



Black History Month Live Wax Museum pictures 1960's #Diana Ross



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## Zoo Field Trip



First Grade and Fifth Grade had trips to the Zoo this month! Even in colder weather students can visit many of the indoor exhibits including the Rainforest. They had an awesome time!

First grade had an awesome time at the zoo! Clear skies and big smiles!

## PTO Fundraiser

The Imagine Bella PTO kicked off their Candy Bar Fundraiser in February. It was a great success! Thank you to all the families that helped to raise funds to support the school. Sellers had the chance to win tickets to Kalahari, dress down passes, and much more! Thank you Imagine Bella PTO!



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## Black History Month Live Wax Museum



Our first Black History Live Wax Museum was a success! Can't wait for next year!

Imagine Bella held a Black History Month Live Wax Museum on Thursday, February 15th. The school-wide event honored figures from the past and the present. Each grade level had a different decade or time period as their focus. Students worked in their classroom researching their persons life and legacy. Research helped the students in preparing speeches, posters, and

selecting the best attire for the Live Wax Museum. There was amazing support from families for this special event. Thank you to all of our families who came and showed support and/or helped their child prepare for the Black History Month Wax Museum! Your presence means a lot to us and our students. We hope you had a blast and can't wait until next year!

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# Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

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## VASJ's annual gala raises over \$200,000

Over 250 people attended Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School's annual Continue the Dream Gala on Saturday, February 17. The event raised over \$200,000, VASJ President Bill Cervenik '72 announced.

In addition to ticket sales, sponsorships (listed below), and advertisements, the school received generous donations prior to the event in support of the overall fundraising goal. One such gift was a \$50,000 donation from 1969 alumnus Vince White-Petteruti and his wife, Marylouise (aka Duck). The gift was made to create The Kay and Vince Petteruti Scholarship Fund, in honor of his parents.

"We are very thankful for the support we receive from alums like Vince," Cervenik says. "Our alums who have remained involved in our school, or who have recently re-engaged, are helping us to ensure that VASJ continues to thrive."

This year's Continue the Dream event was held off-site for the first time since its inception, a decision made by the event committee in order to keep the event new and exciting. The Mardi Gras-themed event, held at Mentor's elegant venue, LaMalfa, had a fun yet sophisticated vibe.

"Those in attendance really enjoyed the festivities and raved about the food and vibrant atmosphere," Cervenik says. "And, of course, the students were at their best."

The record-number of current VASJ students in attendance really added to the impact of the event. Students greeted guests at registration, escorted them to their tables, and sold tickets for the various raffles. The



The Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School Student Ambassadors take a break from their responsibilities to pose for a quick picture at the Mardi Gras photo booth. The presence of so many students at the event truly made the night extra special.

evening also featured performances by the Men's and Women's Choirs.

"The students really made the event," says Christopher McGrath '69. "They are great."

The silent auction table featured items ranging from a timeshare in Florida to beautiful diamond earrings, Cavs tickets, and everything in between. Guests were able to purchase tickets for various raffles such as a lottery gift basket and a mystery suitcase which at the end of the night was revealed to contain a new iPad.

The evening took a more serious note when a video was shared featuring stories about several current students and what they have gained during their time at VASJ. The video, donated by Neil McCormick '70 and Cinecraft Productions, set the tone for the live auction in which bidders raised their paddles to make monetary donations to the school in support of both scholarships and general operating.

At the end of the live auction, a one-of-a-kind piece of artwork, hand painted by VASJ senior Mary Furlan,

was auctioned off. Bidders had the chance to claim the piece for \$100 with a catch: They had to be the final bidder in order to win. What turned into a fun and friendly bidding war ended up raising over \$6,000 for the school and was a moment that Mary will not soon forget. The winning bidder donated the painting back to the school for all to enjoy for years to come.

Although it will be hard to top, plans are already underway for next year's Continue the Dream Gala. Details will be forthcoming.

## VASJ's Lady Vikings Choir performs Valentine's Day tour



VASJ's Lady Vikings Choir, led by religion teacher Brianna Wilson, spent February 13 traveling to different nursing homes to spread the love in honor of Valentine's Day.

By Hailey Barnett '18

On February 13, Valentine's Day arrived a day early for nursing home residents. The Lady Vikings Choir once again went on tour to perform love songs to the elderly and others.

The Lady Vikings Choir visited and performed at Braeview, Brookdale, Highland Pointe, Hilltop Village, and the Hospice of the Western Reserve.

"They selected the repertoire, learned the melodies, developed their own harmonies, and worked with one another to create an expressive, full sound for performances," says Lady Vikings Choir Director Brianna Wilson.

After their performances, the Lady Vikings took time to celebrate February birthdays by singing "Happy Birthday to You" then socialized with

the residents.

"These ladies have truly put their hearts into their music," says Director Brianna Wilson. "It was amazing to see how they brought joy to the residents both through their music and their conversation."

"I'm proud of us as a group for making our performances something to remember," says Nova Jolly.

The time that the Lady Vikings spent together not only strengthened their confidence in singing as a group but the relationship they have with one another.

Though the Lady Vikings Choir may be small in numbers, it is grand in volume. Their voices and love were shared with many and they plan to share with more in the future. They also performed at VASJ's Continue the Dream event on February 17.

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Euclid Board of Education Announcement

Euclid, OH – The Euclid City School District Board of Education tonight voted to remove their levy renewal request from the upcoming May ballot, opting instead to ask voters to renew this November. Moving the issue will not affect future levy collections. The Board will place the exact same issue on the November ballot with no additional money added.

The Board removed the renewal request because district leadership is going to change. The Board of Education was recently notified by Superintendent Dr. Charlie Smialek that he verbally accepted a position with another school district and that he intends to leave Euclid Schools at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. In light of this information and impending change, the Board of Education wants their focus on finding new leadership. The Board is committed to finding another excellent leader for the district quickly and hopes to have that person identified by early April.

There will be a thorough search process that includes opportunities for parents, staff, and residents to provide input about their expectations for the next superintendent. Community members will have the opportunity to take part in a Focus Group at the Euclid Public Library on Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Shore Room. For those unable to attend, a survey will be available at euclidschools.org.

Board President Donna Sudar said, “while we were not expecting this news, we are moving forward and dedicating our time and effort to finding the right leader for Euclid Schools. We know that Dr. Smialek loves our district and that we all will work towards a seamless transition. We wish Dr. Smialek well in his next position.”

The Board of Education will oversee the search and will ensure that the district acts quickly to advertise and seek candidates for the position. Information about the search process will be on the district’s website.

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Ages 7-8: 11:00

EHS Criminal Justice Students are ready to work



These fourteen Euclid High School senior cadets passed their Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy State Exam and are now certified as private security officers in the State of Ohio! This comes after a year and half of hard work in our Euclid College Tech Prep Criminal Justice Program.

Fun fact: Upon graduation, these students can be hired as security officers. Additionally, they can be employed by their colleges in the security department with one company offering a fully paid college education upon employment and successful passage of the probationary period. Just another way Euclid City Schools prepares our students for the future!

Celebrating our winter senior student-athletes at Euclid High School

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Saturday, February 10 | 7:00 PM

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SATURDAY, FEB. 24  
7:00 PM

**Will Saunders**  
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**JADA MAHAN**  
**KATRINA MCINTOSH**  
**MORGAN GEORGE**  
**CHANTEL SAILOR**



We had a great evening celebrating our three senior swimmers and their families. Congratulations Brianna, Jahrule and Andrius!



Congratulations to Euclid High School senior, Andrius Kijauskas on winning the “B” final of the 200-yard freestyle (DI)! Andrius placed ninth with a time of 1:41:99.



Congratulations Aleigha, Dominic, and Ricardo (not pictured)!



Photo: Our Euclid High School orchestra students had the honor of playing for patients and families at the Hospice of the Western Reserve.



Photo: The 2018 eXpressions™ Art, Language, and Math eXhibit opened on February 15, 2018, with a program and reception for participating students, their parents, teachers, and program judges. The eXhibit is on display to the general public through March 23, 2018, at the Global Center for Health Innovation 1 St. Clair Avenue NE, Cleveland, OH 44114.

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## The Lowdown at Lakeshore Intergenerational School



Our Junior Cluster students visiting the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.



Ms. Margaret served as a "Mystery Reader" for our Primary classes. They enjoyed her energy!



Our Junior Cluster students visiting the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.



Our first ever Family Group movie night was a success! Awesome job Family Group leaders!



Our students and IG partners studied and created poetry based on African American poets.



Dr. Woods and Mr. Bozeman kicked off our first ever Black History Month Speaker Series.

by Shawn Hollowell  
"You must never be fearful about what you are doing when it is right" ~Rosa Parks

February is Black History Month and our students and staff had opportunities to experience events and activities revolving around African American culture and icons. Some examples of studies include an Intergenerational Poetry Program, where our students, mentors, and Intergenerational Partners studied African American Poets. These poets inspired the participants to created their own poetry; stay tuned as these creations will be on display at an event in May. Ms. Margaret of the Salvation Army joined our Primary Students as a "Mystery Reader." She read various texts around African American history. "I Dream a World," "Dream Keeper," "We March," and "Jazz Makes Me Sing" are some examples of texts read. There was much discussion

and even dancing during her presentation! Mr. Clarence Bozeman helped us start a Black History Month Speaker Series for our Junior Cluster students. Our first guest was Dr. William Woods. Dr. Woods currently works in the Choir/Music Department at Cleveland School of the Arts and directs many choir and jazz programs throughout the city. His choirs earned many recognitions both nationally and internationally. To achieve success, Dr. Woods offered the following words of wisdom for those in attendance "Good is not good enough, I want it better than good."

Our Junior Cluster students (GLE 3-5) went to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. They learned about sound and various instruments through the live demonstration "Meet the Instruments" program. They were also able to tour and check out the numerous Rock Hall exhibits. Another exciting program, the creative processes

of dance, will begin in March. Thanks to GroundWorks Dance Theatre, 30 of our students will get to learn from, participate in, and view a live performance of professionals in the field of creative dance.

Our monthly intergenerational visits with our friends at local rehabilitation and residential facilities had many astonishing activities. Our friends at ManorCare, Lakeshore Rose Center, Slovene Home, and Mount Saint Joseph participated in our Intergenerational Poetry Program. Our students and residents at AlterCare created colorful placemats. "I love you to pieces" hearts were created with the elders at Governors Village. Valentine's Day readings and crafts occurred with our friends at BraveView and Gateway Family House. We are very excited to announce that we will be returning to Lakeshore Rose Center to participate in our second "Kids Love Musical" of the year. Together our students and

friends at Rose Center will put on an intergenerational version of Peter Pan!

A special shout out to our Family Group. They helped organize a family movie night. Our families, students, and staff gathered for a fun evening filled with popcorns, conversation, and Cars 3!

Don't delay, now is the time! Our spots for next school year are filling up fast. Are you, or do you know, a family looking for a quality school for the 2018-19 school year? If so, please attend one of our information sessions. Principal Bartley will explain all things school related (curriculum, grading, school culture, communication, typical day, etc.) and Mr. Hollowell will be on hand to assist with any enrollment questions.

Remember that you can always stay informed and learn more about us by visiting us on social media. We are on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter.

## Community

### Ohioans Actively Trying to Save Money at the Grocery Store, Ohio Credit Union League Survey Finds

by Dave Godek  
Getting a good deal on groceries is important, especially for many Americans who are living paycheck to paycheck and often have to choose between paying a bill or buying food.

According to a recent Ohio Credit Union League survey, Ohioans are actively trying to save money at the grocery store, said Mike Losneck, CEO of Eaton Family Credit Union.

A couple statistics from the survey stood out to Losneck. "About 71 percent of shoppers will comparison shop before putting an item in their cart. 68 percent utilize digital coupons while 60 percent use printed ones."

Losneck said the survey also found deals can influence whether consumers show up to a store at all. Approximately 44 percent of shoppers said they check store deals before heading out to get their groceries.

"Sometimes consumers will check more than one store, and they'll switch up where they shop based on what they find," Losneck said. About 38 percent of respondents indicated they research before shopping and hit multiple stores depending on the sales at each. The other 62 percent say they stay loyal to one grocery store or chain.

Historically, Americans have remained largely loyal to one main grocery store, but in the age of rapid communication and growing options, that's been shifting.

A 2017 report from the Food Marketing Institute confirmed that trend stating traditional grocery stores have continued a slow and steady decline as a primary store for shoppers, while shoppers with no primary store continue to increase and spread their money across traditional supermarkets, natural and organic stores, ethnic groceries, and online-only retailers.

Losneck said just as the cost of living continues to increase, our desire to save money has as well. He shared some tips

provided by the Ohio Credit Union League to help shop the aisles and fill cupboards with the best deals:

**Plan meals according to what's on sale:** Research the best deals at local stores before you assemble the week's meal plan. First, scan your potential grocery stores for deals on protein, which is primarily the most expensive part of the meal. Next, be on the lookout for good deals on potential side dishes. Lastly, stock up on pantry staples when they're on sale.

**Make a price book:** The best way to know when to stock up on a good deal is to know what the item usually costs. Track how much the items you typically buy cost at each store, that way you'll know which stores have the best prices and will be able to identify a great deal when it comes along.

**Be loyal to where you get the best value:** If you're shopping at one store because it's cheapest, you may not be getting the best value. Product quality also is important. It doesn't matter if you're paying pennies for produce if it's not fresh or goes bad quickly. Factor both price and quality into deciding which stores give you the best value.

**Learn how to maximize your coupons:** Use coupons for items you only would have purchased, anyway. Don't buy something not on your list just because you found a great coupon. Many brands and chain stores offer digital coupons customized from your past purchases. Shoppers can also search sites like coupons.com by category to help find the most useful coupons for them.

**Use technology to compare:** Some chain stores show grocery prices on their websites, but this isn't consistent across the board. However, websites like My Grocery Deals and Deals to Meals allow you to build a grocery list. The sites will use your list to find the best deals across multiple stores. Deals to Meals allows customers to create a weekly meal plan based on local deals, too.

### \$15,000 in College Scholarship Money Available

by Dave Godek  
\$15,000 in scholarship money is up for grabs and the deadline to apply is quickly approaching.

Eaton Family Credit Union, along with several partners, is working to combat the high costs of post-secondary education by offering several scholarships to our Members and their family members, said Mike Losneck, CEO of the credit union.

"One of our scholarships is offered in remembrance of former Board Member Matt Logies," Losneck said. The second scholarship will be granted to a graduating high school senior majoring in Business or Finance. Both awards are \$5,000.

Losneck said only credit union members or their children are eligible for these scholarships, yet explained it's easy to join the credit union and become eligible.

"Membership is open to anyone who lives, works, worships or goes to school in Lake County or Cuyahoga County, Ohio," Losneck said. "It just takes an application,

a government-issued ID and \$5 to open a Share Savings Account."

Applications for these Eaton Family Credit Union scholarships are due March 10, 2018.

The Ohio Credit Union Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the Ohio Credit Union League, is supporting students pursuing higher education by providing the annual Ohio Credit Union Foundation video scholarship, Losneck said.

For a chance to win \$5,000 for college, Losneck explained students can submit a short video answering the question, "If you ran your credit union, what initiatives/programs/products would you implement to foster the philosophy of 'People Helping People'?"

All entries for this scholarship must be submitted by Monday, April 30, 2018.

More information and applications, visit <http://www.eatonfamilycu.com/scholarship2018.php>

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by Michael Prokop  
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### Education Corner



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by Sara Williams

"In this corner weighing in at a whopping 900 hours having trained since birth never leaving the safety of home and mentored by a strange helicopter parent who really isn't a teacher and can't possibly have taught anything...we have the mighty, the socially awkward, thoroughly researched yet fully unaccountable and unassessed....give it up for the one, the only...."Hot Shot Hommmmmmm Schooooooooler!"

"In this corner of the ring weighing

in at a little over 900 hours filled with pointless assemblies, teacher breaks for specials, plagued by discipline issues accompanied by lots of lost time in the training process, mentored and trained by the world renowned bully system and mentally drained, over evaluated classroom teacher....let's hear it for the one, the only...assembly line, homework and overly assessed, employee ready..."Stuuuudious Stuuuudddeennntttt"

If the world of homeschool and school-based learning was in a boxing ring, this may be what a model of the intro may sound like. How about this? In America we have Democrat vs. Republican, Black vs. White, Civil Rights vs. Gay Rights, East Side vs. West Side and a list of competitions that could go on for hours. Now added to this list of debates, which is not such a new debate, we have Homeschool versus Traditional School-Based learning. Like the above mentioned debates, there is always preconceived notions, inaccuracies shared, unfounded accusations and personal biases present.

For many parents, issues such as mass school shootings, student bullying and suicide epidemics, sexuality debates, influx of standardized testing, tapped out teachers, stressed out administrators, bad state report card ratings, Common Core and too

much homework, a number of parents are opting to remove their children from the traditional school setting. Many are opting to enroll their children in on-line public schools while others may be willing to sacrifice dual incomes or a regular 9-5 work shift to be able to provide a homeschool education from scratch, compliments of a researching, lesson plan prepping mom or dad. In addition to playing organized sports, attending prom and earning a diploma, homeschool students represent a growing college entrance rate in top universities around the world.

The reality is, there are many aspects to consider from both angles. Many people do not know that homeschooling does not just occur in just one way, but actually represents a number of methodologies that best suit the family pursuing this form of education. Nor do many understand or even know what goes into homeschooling or the reason why this growing trend is expanding by leaps and bounds. A many more people may not know that in school, teachers work countless hours on weekends, after school and during scheduled school calendar breaks planning specific tailor made lessons plans that reflect differentiated instruction for learners that take into consideration test cores, the whole child (type of learner, multiple intelligences, child interest, and

how to best motivate particular students). Many teachers become like a parent to their students making purchases out of their own pocket to support their classroom and students on an on-going basis, foregoing lunch breaks and coming to work earlier than their contract stipulates just to be sure a child is grasping a concept.

At the end of the day, families decide what is in the best interest of their child. Gone are the days when there truly was a village to help raise children. There are no curfews, front porches with lights on, parents calling other parents to share a child is on their way home, and neighbors giving friendly advice and quiet waves of hello from their stoop. We are in a technological age where people are rushed, much of what we need or want is literally at our fingertips and ready to meet those needs 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Whichever decision a parent makes on behalf of their child is one that is not to be taken lightly and adequate research and a fair evaluation of both sides should be made. Unlike boxing, once in the ring, both homeschoolers and school-based students can win simultaneously and leave the ring winners equipped to be world changers representing their educational path beautifully.



## Events

### Eagle Scouts Help Euclid Hunger Center



EHC Volunteer and Eagle Scout, Tom Franczyk  
by Kay O'Donnell

Two area teens recently advanced to the rank of Eagle Scout, and the Euclid Hunger Center was honored to be a part of that process. Both boys chose the Hunger Center to be the recipient of their Eagle projects, which are a crucial part of the advancement process. Tom Franczyk, a long-time volunteer at EHC, and a member of Troop 143 out of Our Lady of the Lake Parish, designed and constructed under-the-table storage carts, as well as permanent signage for the food distribution room. Ian O'Donnell, a member of Troop 161, Euclid's Pioneer Troop out of East Shore United Methodist Church, designed and constructed eight shelving units, as well as 20 replacement shelves for EHC's stock room.

"We were thrilled to be the recipient of these gifts from the Boy Scouts," said EHC Board President, Grace Wright. "The amount of time and effort put in to these projects is evident in the quality of



Ian O'Donnell puts the finishing touches on one of the shelving units.

the workmanship. These young men can take great pride in what they have accomplished, and in knowing they have made a considerable contribution to their community."

Both Tom and Ian are students at St. Ignatius High School and, having completed their path to Eagle Scout, are now busy working on their next big project, the school's upcoming spring musical, "Spamalot." Tom is the leader of the set crew for the show, and Ian is the Stage Manager.

A number of local businesses were kind enough to support the boys in their endeavors, and supplied much of the hardware and lumber for the projects. Special thanks to Daugherty Construction, Lakeland Lumber, Progressive Fasteners, HGR, Mentor Lumber and the Lakewood Home Depot for their generous donations to Tom and Ian. The EHC's motto is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." These fine young men and these area businesses are fine examples of just that

### Eviction the Focus of Community Discussion at Euclid Public Library



Interested citizens discuss the book Evicted as part of the One Community Reads initiative at Euclid Public Library.

by Kurt Steigerwald

In an open session at Euclid Public Library over 30 interested citizens came together to debate and discuss issues raised by the Pulitzer Prize-winning book *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. The gathering, hosted by Euclid Public Library February 22, was part of its participation in the One Community Reads initiative and one of several events surrounding the book.

Evicted follows the lives of eight families in Milwaukee as they struggle to stay in a home while facing eviction and how it impacts their lives. The discussion was led by self-described ultra-liberal Ted Steinberg of Case Western Reserve University who challenged the audience to consider options for addressing the issue of evictions which has hit cities like Euclid hard.

Audience members included Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer-Gail as well as the Chiefs of Euclid's Police and Fire Departments. Police Chief Scott Meyer commented how Euclid police officers experience the realities of evictions as his department often has to deal with this common social problem. Meyer commented about steps the EPD has taken to address some of the issues surrounding and leading up to residents' evictions.

Steinberg said it was interesting how the Euclid audience viewed the book as a

depressing recitation of a common societal problem, yet when he held the same discussion in Beachwood the focus was on how friends or family often rallied around and supported evicted people during this personal crisis.

With several Euclid residents relaying stories of watching evictions in their neighborhood, others commented about how they are surrounded by multiple empty homes as a result of the complex housing issues faced by Euclid and touched on in the book. Holzheimer-Gail reported that vacancies are down right now in Euclid, but the number of vacant homes is still approximately 248 throughout the City which represents 4-5% of the housing stock. Euclid's homeownership rate is approximately 49% according to a recent study.

Those interested topic have more chances to explore the issues surrounding the topic of evictions, including a Tenant's Rights discussion at Euclid Public Library Monday, March 12. The One Community Reads collaboration culminates in author Matthew Desmond discussing the book at the KeyBank State Theater at Playhouse Square on March 15. Tickets are free with information available at [OneCommunityReads.org](http://OneCommunityReads.org). The presentation will be simulcast at nine libraries including Euclid beginning at 6:30 pm.

### County Councilwoman Sunny Simon Announces Funding Approval for Three Community-Based Projects in District 11

by LeVine Ross

County Councilwoman Sunny Simon Announces Funding

Approval for Three Community-Based Projects in District 11

In Connection with the Community Development Supplemental Grant Program (CDSG)

Cuyahoga County Councilwoman Sunny Simon is proud to announce the approval of three grant awards totaling \$150,000 in connection with the Community Development Supplemental Grant (CDSG) program for the 2018 fiscal year. This highly competitive grant program was approved by Council in June of 2016, allocating one million dollars from the Casino Revenue Fund to support community-based development projects throughout all municipalities within Cuyahoga County.

This year One South Euclid Neighborhood Grant Program is the recipient of a \$50,000 award that will provide supplemental funding to its Owner-Occupied Exterior Home Repair program which can be used by residents to fund exterior home repair projects up to \$2,000.

In addition, The City of Euclid received

\$50,000 for a wheelchair accessible van that will be used to transport senior residents to and from the senior center for meals as well as to medical appointments, shopping, and banking. The van will also be used to deliver meals to homebound seniors Monday through Friday.

Richmond Heights also received a \$50,000 grant award to repair a sanitary sewer connection to the main house of the City-owned historic property known as Greenwood Farm. This project will enable the City to abandon the failed septic system currently on site that threatens the pollution of Euclid Creek. "I'm very excited that County Council has been able to provide significant resources to our communities at a time where resources from state and federal government are diminishing," states Councilwoman Simon.

Grant applications are evaluated by the Cuyahoga County Department of Development, which then makes recommendations to County Council for approval. Each grant award is limited to a maximum of \$50,000 and administered using the same process as the federally funded Community Development Block Grant Program.

## Community

### Henn Mansion Supporters Pack Wine Tasting Event



by Kurt Steigerwald

The Friends of the Henn Mansion celebrated another successful wine tasting Saturday, February 10 for the benefit of the continued restoration and upkeep of the historic mansion. With 120 people on hand to enjoy an evening of wine tastings chosen by Gary Twining, and paired with appetizers created by Chefs for Hire, the event had the mansion packed with long-time supporters and first-time visitors to the Henn Mansion.

"This event gives us working money for the continued rehabilitation of the mansion. We keep working slowly on one renovation after another," said Allen Lewis, president of the non-profit organization Friends of the Henn Mansion that continues to operate and support the ongoing ef-

fort. Lewis added that future rehabilitation efforts will include basement windows and window wells which are not exciting additions, but necessary to ensure the facility is up-to-date.

The format of this year's wine tasting was slightly different from last year and seemed to be well received by attendees. Additional fundraising opportunities included a 50/50 raffle and six baskets awarded as part of a separate raffle. Both efforts a lot of attention and helped ensure the event delivered needed funds to the organization.

The Henn Mansion is located in Sims Park just east of downtown Euclid. The lakefront mansion is available for rental with information available at [HennMansion.org](http://HennMansion.org) or by calling 216.731.5060.



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- **Accessibility for Employers** (April 18th, 8:30 - 9:30 AM) Uncover myths regarding hiring people with disabilities, ADA requirements, accommodations and disability etiquette

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## Betting on HELP!



by Stefanie Merkosky

HELP Foundation, Inc. will be hosting their 2nd Annual Casino Night fundraiser on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at Crowne Plaza in Independence. Guests will be treated to a fun-filled evening while raising awareness and critical funding to keep our mission of empowering individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities thriving. Attendees will be invited to participate in casino-style games like Black Jack, Roulette, Texas Hold'em and Craps while enjoying hors d'oeuvre stations and full bar. Players' winnings can be exchanged for tickets to win a wide array of prizes ranging from coveted sporting tickets to relaxing spa experiences and everything in between!

HELP currently has nineteen residential sites that serve over 120 residential consumers. We have implemented an extended school year program every summer that serves over 200 children, we provide vocational training and minimum wage pay for 90 adults that want to join the workforce and we have Adult Day Programs in Euclid and Northfield that care for over 115 people. We have grown quite a bit since our beginning and we couldn't have done it without our faithful supporters.

Tickets can be purchased online by visiting helpfoundationinc.org. We're expecting a large crowd this year so get them while they last!

With your help, we can ensure individuals in our care are living their best lives possible!

## Summer Is Coming

by Stacey Minnillo

It's hard to imagine school being out, and warm summer days, but it's not that far away. If you are looking for something for your child to do this summer, why not send them to the Beat the Streets (BTS) Fun Day Summer Camp. This is the sixth year for this camp located right here in Euclid. Summer Camp is held at the ELC (Early Learning Center). Campers will be dropped off and picked up from the ELC.

BTS was formed in 2010, with a purpose and goal to fill the void in the area of opportunities and activities for the youth in our community. At the start of the 2017/2018 school year we expanded and have a before and after school program at all four elementary schools. Registration for the before and after school program is

always open and students may join at any time!

The mission of Beat the Streets is to offer a wide range of programming that will help our youth develop a sense of self confidence, responsibility and pride in themselves as the go forward in life. We encourage the youth to participate in positive programs and keep them off the streets and out of trouble. We provide a safe and humbling environment to the members of the BTS organization.

Camp registration is open now! You can find out more information by visiting the website at www.bts-youth.com or give us a call 216-925-6119. Don't miss out, sign up your camper today, and start looking forward to summer break!

## Grow Your Own at The Memorial Park Community Garden



by Steve McIntosh

Since 2011, The Memorial Park Community Garden (MPCG) located on Milton Ave. off East 222nd street, has worked to build a stronger, healthier city through civic engagement and organic gardening practices. Garden plots in the fenced-in space with an on site water supply are available for only \$20. Please e-mail Memorialparkcommunitygarden@yahoo.com for registration or with any questions you may have.

## Community

## Let's Sit for Kids

by Sherrie Zagorc

We've been asked to stand for a variety of causes in the past several years. In 2018 I propose that we SIT for our children. Adult lives are so busy – running from place to place – that sitting down with the children in our lives has literally taken a back seat to our daily schedules. Consider sitting with children – face to face – in close proximity – to eat a meal, play a game, help with homework and talk about the day. Imagine how this simple, inexpensive habit of sitting down with a child could improve our valuable adult/child relationships! Moms and dads, grandparents, friends and mentors – this act can work wonders. By sitting down and concentrating on the child before you, you are validating children and mentoring behaviors that will go a long way to teach important life skills to last a lifetime.

At Kiddie City Child Care Community, we are working to create a Parents' Center dedicated to the teaching and promoting of good parenting practices in our community. To introduce this initiative, I am asking adults to make a commitment to "Sit for Kids" and to help both causes – the Parenting Center and a reminder to adults – I am creating a Kiddie City Chair a T Auction

on the "Bidding for Good" website beginning in January. I'm gathering "lonely" wooden chairs, painting them black, and asking community members to contribute their flair and creativity to decorate the chairs that will be auctioned. We will auction one chair a month with the highest bidder receiving their chair to be placed in the kitchen, family room or wherever a reminder is needed for adults to SIT with the children in the household. A t-shirt with the I Sit for Kids reminder will be given to the artist and the buyer. Kiddie City will receive the proceeds from the sale to add to create and maintain the Parenting Center.

If you would like to join me in "Sitting with Kids" here are some ways that you can help. Do you have a wooden chair that you donate for use in the auction or would you like to paint a chair to be auctioned off? Email me at kiddiecityeuclid@att.net or call me at Kiddie City 216.481.9044. Do you need a beautiful wooden chair to remind you to sit with the children you love? Check out the Kiddie City Chair a T Auction site and bid on a one of a kind creation. In the new year, let's take a stand for the children in our lives by embracing the motto "I Sit for Kids".

## What's All The Racket?



by Maria Palmisano

The Euclid Recreation Department is very proud to announce that the Memorial Park Tennis Court Reconstruction Project is underway! GPD Group developed the project plans, and Nerone and Sons Inc. broke ground in the beginning of February. The United States Tennis Association provided technical assistance, and a \$20,000 grant opportunity that was awarded to the Euclid Recreation Department on February 23, 2018. A special thanks goes out to

City Council for their input and approval, as well as Service Director Dan Knecht for all his assistance in taking the project from conception to reality. The complex is scheduled to be finished by June 2018, and will include five tennis courts and two pickleball courts! Be on the lookout for the 2018 recreation program guide, as we are excited to offer an expanded tennis section for the summer.

## Euclid Recreation is Seeking Volunteers

**Volunteers Needed for Spring and Summer Programs!!**

Volunteers are needed for the following sports:

- Softball
- Soccer
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If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Euclid Recreation Department at 216.289.8114

## Seeking Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) for Youth



by Sherrie Zagorc

Michele Blazina  
CASA of Cuyahoga County, a program of Child and Family Advocates of Cuyahoga County, recruits, screens, trains, and supports volunteers who act as independent fact-finders for the court in cases involving child abuse and neglect.

CASAs collect information that helps the judge make the best decision for a safe, caring, and permanent home for children involved in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. CASAs are everyday citizens who are trained and appointed by the court to advocate for the safety and well-being of children who are victims of abuse

or neglect. CASAs are assigned at the earliest stages of a case and continue to be an advocate for the child through their time in the court system. CASAs work collaboratively with all parties on the case, for the best interests of children. CASAs are only assigned to 1-2 cases at a time and spend approximately 10 hours a month on a case.

The CASA is responsible for the investigation, facilitation, advocacy, and monitoring of the assigned child's case of abuse, neglect, and/or dependency to represent the child's best interests.

**Volunteer Requirements:** At least 21 years of age; have access to transportation; pass screening; complete training; respect and relate to people of various backgrounds; gather and record factual information accurately; communicate effectively; maintain objectivity/perspective; work within established program policies and procedures and accept supervision from program staff.

Take a stand ~ Make a difference ~ Change a life ~ Get involved today!

Those interested in becoming a CASA, visit [www.cfadvocates.org](http://www.cfadvocates.org) to apply or call 216.443.3377 for more information.

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Events

Ss. Robert & William Community Presents the Annual ‘Taste of Nations Gala’



by Ellen Ivory  
On Saturday, April 14, 2018, approximately 300 guests will gather to celebrate unity and diversity within the SRW School and Parish Communities. As a body which advocates peace, the evening will have a ‘Peace’ theme with decorations which reflect harmony and students wearing tie-dyed apparel.

The annual ‘Taste of Nations’ Gala presents cuisines from various countries including Europe, Ireland, Italy, Latin America, American Comfort and the Philippines to name a few. The school classrooms will be transformed into each of these countries, where taste-sized portions will be served to the guests. The ethnic fare will highlight items such as stuffed cabbage, pierogis, cab-

bage and noodles, corned beef sandwiches, pork chopsuey, and chicken cordon bleu casserole. The Vienna Café rounds out the menu with homemade pastries and coffee.

The evening begins at 5:00pm and guests will be welcomed with dinner music, side-boards, and various raffles. The dinner journey will begin at 5:45p.m. Various entertainment will take place throughout the venue, as well as a Cigar Tent.

Additionally, the 2018 Taste of Nation’s recipients will be honored. They include: Community Award: VASJ High School; Faculty Member: Patrice Garuckas; Alumni, Chris Mominney; and Grandparents, Linda and Lou Shenk.

Tickets are \$35 per person for this adult only event. A table of 8 (with reserved, priority dining) is also available at \$325.00. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.srweuclid.cc](http://www.srweuclid.cc) or at the parish and school offices. Reserve tickets early, as this was a sold out event last year.

Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish is located at 367 East 260th St., Euclid. ([www.srweuclid.cc](http://www.srweuclid.cc)). Please contact Ellen Ivory at the Parish Office, 216.731.1515 x 230, for additional details.

Accordions All Day at Euclid’s Super Button Box Bash, Sunday, April 8



Ron Likovic, the Polka Hall of Fame’s Button Box Artist of the Year, appears at the 36th annual Super Button Box Bash, Sunday, April 8, at the Slovenian Society Home in Euclid, Ohio.


by Joe Valencia  
Enjoy accordions all day long at the 36th annual Super Button Box Bash on Sunday, April 8, 2018. Join the Button Box Band of the Year, Patty C and the Guys, and Ron Likovic, the Button Box Artist of the Year, plus Polka Hall of Famer Kathy Hlad and ten of your favorite bands for a non-stop polka-thon in two halls. The National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame once again teams with the Slovenian Society Home on Recher Avenue in Euclid, Ohio,

to host Cleveland’s biggest squeezebox event with fifty accordions from 1:00 to 9:00.


Were you a member of the Slovenian Junior Chorus, SNPJ Circle No. 2? This year marks the 80th anniversary of children’s group and performers from around the country are invited to reunite and celebrate in song. Long-time musical director Cecilia Dolgan returns to give the downbeat for a short program at 3:00. If you sang in the circle and played in the button box band with Kathy Hlad, you’re invited to join your friends on this special day. Get in touch with Director Kathleen Trebets for details: [kat21\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:kat21_2@hotmail.com).

Dance to these accordion greats at the Super Button Box Bash: The Fairport Jammers, the Magic City Button Boxers, Patty C & The Guys, the Summit Jammers, the Hoboes, Magic Buttons, Anthony Culkar, Squeeze Play, the Sumrada Brothers, the Polka Pirates, the Button Box Divas and more.

Bring your box and jam with your friends. Indulge in nationality treats. Check out CDs and Slovenian- and polka-themed tee-shirts at the Polka Hall of Fame Pop-up Shop. Admission: \$8 for adults, 18 and under free. Dance and play at the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Avenue, Euclid, Ohio, off East 200th Street, just north of the I-90 exit. Contact the Polka Hall of Fame for ticket information, (216) 261-3263 or [polkashop@aol.com](mailto:polkashop@aol.com).



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National Infant Immunization Week 2018 Is April 21st Through April 28th

National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is an annual observance to highlight the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases and celebrate the achievements of immunization programs and their partners in promoting healthy communities.

Since 1994, hundreds of communities across the United States have joined together to celebrate the critical role vaccination plays in protecting our children, communities, and public health.

Learn about the vaccines your baby needs from a reliable source. CDC’s vaccine website for parents explains the diseases vaccines prevent, immunization schedule, possible side effects, how to comfort your baby during vaccine visits, and more: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/index.html)

Join the Cuyahoga County Board of Health in our effort to keep children in Northeast Ohio healthy by making sure your baby is up to date on all recommended vaccines.

Save The Date Relay For Life



The Relay for Life takes place,  
Friday May 11, 2018  
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Health

Is It Your Business?

by Dr. Martina Moore

I am sure that everyone reading this story has seen dozens of articles or news stories about the opioid crisis that we have been experiencing in this country over the last decade. This crisis has hit Ohio particularly hard. Families and friends struggle to help loved ones find treatment centers and begin a journey towards a drug free life.

Once in treatment it is critical that a recovering client find meaningful ways to occupy their time. One of the most valuable tools for a recovering person is employment. Work provides an individual in recovery the ability to build confidence and self-worth by experiencing success as they complete tasks. Work helps a person feel like they are a contributing member of society. Many people consider employment a primary way to measure a person’s value to society.

Work provides many benefits to an individual in recovery:

- It provides a stable source of income.
- It helps develop responsibility.
- Builds self-esteem.
- Provides structure.
- Helps integrate an individual back into mainstream society.
- It provides the opportunity for productive new relationships.
- It establishes a sense of independence that contributes to reduction to returning to drugs/alcohol.

Many recovering persons are unemployed prior to treatment, especially opiate use disorder clients. For the unemployed without regular job responsibilities, drugs provide structure for the day. Obtaining and using drugs becomes a substitute for employment.

That is one of the reasons that the role of employment in treatment is so critical. It is not only an element of treatment, but it is also a desired outcome. Besides contributing to positive outcomes in treatment, employment plays an important role in retention of sobriety and reduction of the occurrence and severity of relapse. Research also reports that employment reduces criminal activity as well.

At Moore Counseling and Mediation Services, Inc. we are working hard with our clients to help them with obtaining gainful employment. We offer a program that will help prepare our clients to be responsible employees and add value to the workforce. Each client receives an employment and education assessment. Based on the findings of the assessments clients will either begin employment skills training or begin coaching toward employment placement. Each client will receive skills training such as professionalism, time management and conflict resolution to name a few. Clients will also receive training in resume writing and interview skills. Each client will have an employment case manager that will work with them and the employer throughout the process and even after hire to assist with ongoing training and development. The case manager will also work with the employer to help with maintaining the successful employee. We are hoping if you are reading this article and you have a need for professional employees that you will consider contacting us to interview a client that we have prepared to be your next best employee. Please contact Kenya Wordlaw at 216-486-1900.

School Crisis Response and Grief Support Program Available to Local Schools



by Laurie Henriksen

Tragic events such as the recent mass shooting at a Florida high school are difficult for anyone to comprehend and process. Locally and across the country, we collectively mourn the loss of life every time such a senseless tragedy occurs. In addition, our own sorrow, fear and despair can be heightened as we watch and hear about the plight of grieving students, teachers and the affected community on the nightly news.

Following such a crisis, expert on-site support frequently plays an instrumental role in helping faculty, staff members and students navigate the painful experiences of trauma, grief and loss. Locally, the bereavement center at Hospice of the Western Reserve – now called Western Reserve Grief Services - has offered a Crisis Response Program to provide immediate, on-site crisis response to deaths in the school communities of Northern Ohio for more than 15 years.

The program has been utilized by the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and many others. The services are available to any school system in the nonprofit agency’s service area. Trained bereavement professionals are available to provide on-site response. A single phone call from the school is all it takes to mobilize resources. In a typical year, trained grief and trauma support specialists from the organization deliver immediate on-site crisis support to 1,000 students and 250 adults.

“Schools must be prepared to respond to sudden, violent and traumatic deaths, such as car accidents, overdose deaths or shootings and suicides” said Diane Snyder Cowan, director of Western Reserve Grief Services. “Our partnership with schools allows them to more effectively address mental and emotional distress, reduce the like-

lihood of high-risk student behavior and return more quickly to productive teaching and learning.

“School personnel spend a good amount of time with the children, so in some respects, they become a second family,” Snyder Cowan said. “Their response in times of grief and loss can be extremely comforting and helpful to students. It is not unusual for students to approach teachers, coaches, school counselors and others in the school community about topics that are too painful for them to discuss at home.”

In coordination with the school, trained and experienced bereavement professionals are available to lead classroom, small or large group student discussions, hold informational meetings with parents, provide individualized sessions during a crisis response and offer guidance to teachers and staff. Follow-up services such as memorial activities, small support group interventions and educational programs are available as needed. Proactive services are also offered, including crisis response planning.

The program is one of the ways the nonprofit agency extends its expertise in end-of-life care and bereavement support to the community at large. Hospice of the Western Reserve is grateful for the financial support of individuals and other organizations, such as the Ridgecliff Foundation, for making the Grief Services for Schools Program possible. For more information on how you can ensure these important services are available for students, teachers, parents and school staff, contact Bonnie Robbins at 216.383.5258 or [BRobbins@hospicewr.org](mailto:BRobbins@hospicewr.org). School administrators interested learning more are encouraged to visit the website: [hospicewr.org/griefandloss](http://hospicewr.org/griefandloss), or call 216.486.6287.

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Faith

St. John of the Cross Parish, Euclid Prepares for Holy Week



by George Sam

Saint John of the Cross Parish in Euclid continues the Lenten “Journey of the Heart,” with these upcoming events in March in anticipation for Easter Sunday on April 1:

**Mission with Fr. Domenic Jose Roscioli** – Fr. Dom explores the question “How does your story fit into God’s grand design?” and shares real life stories where God is ever present and working through us. The Mission is

Monday through Wednesday, Mar 5-7 in the church. Morning sessions begin at 9 am and evening sessions begin at 7:15 on Monday, but at 7 pm on Tuesday and Wednesday. The morning sessions’ content is repeated for the evening sessions.

**Book Study on CS Lewis’ Screwtape Letters** – There are four weeks left to participate in the discussion on this classic satire about the weaknesses of human nature with Pastoral Associate, Tara Mowery every Tuesday on Mar. 6 at 10:30 am, and Mar. 13, 20 and 27 at 9 am in the church’s Sacred Heart Room. Coffee and snacks are available.

**Stations of the Cross** – Friday services will be held on Mar. 9, 16 and 23 at 6:30 pm; and at noon on Good Friday.

**Communal Penance** – Join St. John of the Cross and Ss. Robert and William on Mar. 12 for a penance service, examination of conscience and confessions beginning at 6:30 pm at St. John of the Cross Parish.

**Palm Sunday** - Palm Sunday Masses follow our regular Mass Schedule: Saturday, Mar. 24 at 4 pm, and Sunday, Mar. 25 at 9 am and 11 am.

**Tenebrae Service** – Tenebrae means “darkness” and recreates the emotional aspects of the Passion story in Scripture and song, gradually diminishing light through the extinguishing of candles. Together with Covenant Baptist Church, this service will be held on Wednesday, Mar. 28 at 6:30 pm at St. John of the Cross Parish.

**The Triduum** – The Triduum of Holy Week

Lenten Season at East Shore United Methodist Church



by Armando Arellano

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Lent is a time for self-reflection and deepening one’s relationship with Jesus Christ. It is the season of devotion to serve God and others.

**February 14th at 7:00 PM** Ash Wednesday Service Imposition of Ashes

A Spiritual Journey to Wholeness

by A Tabar

In this winter season have you had moments of reflection that are illuminating to the heart and mind? A question such as “how has my life become so complicated and difficult to manage?” may have popped up once or twice during a cold and snowy day. Having the tools to digest the events, or life choices that led you to your current experiences becomes so helpful to discovering what if anything needs to change if you are feeling out of balance.. Author and teacher Don Freeman, a recent speaker at the Rishis Institute of Metaphysics, calls upon us to liberate ourselves from egoism, materialism and hedonism.

Holy Week Concert




by Rosalind Hughes

For the third year in a row, the Church of the Epiphany offers an invitation into Holy Week and the final journey of Jesus to the Cross through song and meditation.

Come to the Cross and Remember, by Pepper Choplin, will be offered by the choir of Epiphany at 2pm on Palm Sunday, March 25th. All are welcome. The event is free, but donations are gladly accepted towards the mission of the church.

The Church of the Epiphany is an Episcopal Church located at 21000 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid, and on the web at [www.epiphanyeuclid.org](http://www.epiphanyeuclid.org)



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Art

DayGloSho Draws Record Numbers to Waterloo Arts Gallery



6th annual DayGloSho opening at Waterloo Arts

Photo by Bridget Caswell

by Morgan Wood

On Friday February 2, the Waterloo Arts gallery hosted a blacklight Mardi Glo party to show off the sixth annual DayGloSho exhibition. The exhibition featured work made by forty-two local artists all using the famous fluorescent paint donated by Cleveland’s own DayGlo Color Corp. Thus the exhibition displayed work throughout the space under blacklight, even spilling over into the next-door, adjoining space Callaloo Café. The Creative Space classroom was used as a craft area for both children and adults, and some goers were even dressed in the Mardi Gras theme, wearing masks made with DayGlo paint. The Executive Director of the arts non-profit, Amy Callahan, chose the artists using a combination of a formal application, as well as cultivating local talent by reaching out to new artists, so that the show stays innovative and full of fresh talent from year to year. Day-Glo was also generous to sponsor prizes for six different artists, with Douglas Max Utter taking home the first-place prize. The winners were chosen by members of Waterloo’s gallery committee, Robert Thurmer, Director at the Cleveland State University Art Gallery and Nancy Prudic, Associate Professor of Visual Arts at Lake Erie College.

Originally the show was initiated by local artist John Sailes who was experimenting

with DayGlo back in 2011. He had a show at Doubting Thomas, a gallery on the West Side, which is how he met the director of that gallery, Dr. Theresa Boyd. Sailes had put on what he described as a really small installation of DayGlo work in a blacklit room, a prototype of the current show. Dr. Boyd enjoyed the innovative way that the paint manipulated light and asked Sailes to curate a larger show by inviting artists to participate in the show and distributing paint. After a few years, Sailes found that he wanted to make the show more sustainable by passing off the idea and responsibilities to an organization, rather than keeping the obligations confined to one individual.

Thus, Sailes and another artist, Joanie Deveney, approached Waterloo with the possibility of Waterloo taking over the show. Today, DayGlo art has an element of playfulness and of craft and, when displayed under the unusual blacklight ambience, feels experimental and fresh. Thus the exhibit is a great way to draw in people who would not normally go out of their way to see fine art in a traditional setting, who find the white walls and bright lights of a contemporary gallery to be intimidating or boring. Both children and adults love the magical environment created by the paint that, as Callahan put it, “makes visible something that isn’t normally visible to the eye.” It is exciting to be able to see in a whole new way.

While the DayGlo aspect absorbs families and new demographics, the artists involved face significant challenges. Specifically, Sailes, a painter, pointed out that the paint makes colors appear differently; some colors “come forward at a faster rate than others and others regress [backward].” It can be tough for an artist new to the medium to adapt to how the colors project. Additionally, artists face the challenge of knowing their work will be displayed under blacklight at the DayGlo exhibition, but art purchased for a home will likely be displayed in daylight. Of course, though the pigments can be challenging, clever artists make the medium into an opportunity. Mike Lombardy, a printer, mentioned explicitly that his work tends to be monochromatic, so working with the color scheme of DayGlo paint, in all its “psychedelic” glory was a point of exploration and artistic freedom for him. The annual exhibition allows artists, especially multidisciplinary artists like Lombardy who use the paint as ink, dye, etc., to develop and refine their use of the medium from year to year. The people who come to the exhibition get to see a different side of local artists.

Finally, an aspect of Dayglo that really excites the participants and the organizers is the paint’s connection to Cleveland. Sailes, a native Clevelander, enjoys using a “locally-based product that is...known around the world and developed and produced in [his] city which...is important to us who live here.”

Lombardy similarly sees using the product as a way to advocate for the city; that the paint helps more people understand Cleveland’s often overlooked history and resources. As Sailes said, DayGlo is a company with a hugely well-known and internationally used product. The company began back in the 1930s when two brothers, Bob and Joe Switzer were experimenting with producing colors that seemed brighter than normal. The colors were used as special effects and to promote movies early on. During World War II, the colors took on a new purpose: DayGlo developed fluorescent fabric panels bright enough to signal airplanes from the ground. Also, out on water, buoys covered in the paint marked areas of water with debris, mines, and explosives. After the war, the company continued to find innovative uses for the colors, branching out of advertising and safety. Now, in a Warhol-esque turn of events, it is exciting to see artists use the industrial pigment in their practice.

The show, a huge success judging by how packed and excited the crowd was at the opening, pays off to everyone involved. Day-Glo Color Corp. gets to support the local arts and see the creative ways their product is used. The artists get the chance to work with a new, puzzling but ultimately magical and stimulating material which, by its very production, supports Cleveland and a historical Cleveland company. Of course, visitors get a new magical experience, enjoying a newly illuminated perspective on industrial paint, color, and Cleveland.

DayGloSho 6 is up through March 30 and the gallery is open every Wednesday, 12:00 PM – 7:00 PM and Saturday 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM or by contacting Amy Callahan at [info@waterlooarts.org](mailto:info@waterlooarts.org).



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Senior Page

Bob’s Corner



by Bob Payne  
What are your eccentricities? What activities or behaviors do you have that are a bit peculiar or out of the ordinary? Are you okay with being your authentic self?

I like quirky people. I enjoy the company of people who just don't have it all together, people who feel like misfits, and people who can't help but be genuinely themselves. I have a sincere admiration and appreciation for people who are real.

It has been my experience in life that when someone presents themselves as perfect, it's only a matter of time before the façade falls away. The bigger their ivory tower, the more devastating the crash when it comes tumbling down.

Besides, I don't relate very well with people who think that they are perfect, and I believe most people feel the same way. There's just something phony about it. Honestly, everybody has issues and problems and each of us is a bit odd in our own wonderful way. You are uniquely you. So, let's stop pretending that we are exactly like everybody else. You weren't made to be a copy. Just be yourself!

I went to see a singer recently. His voice reminded me of crooners from days gone-by. The man could sing! I overheard people around me saying that they were disturbed by his constant, dramatic, jerky body movements, and that they couldn't bear to watch him. How sad. The man was putting his heart and soul into his work and he sounded absolutely delightful. This brings up a good point.

Be very careful about judging others. All you see is a small sliver of someone's life, and the glaring part that's standing out is often the thing you don't agree with. In a very real way, your judgement is a reflection of you and your way of thinking. Be mindful of what is causing such a reaction in you.

Always remember that we are limited, vulnerable, and often times imperfect. That's okay. That's real life. It's how we learn. Besides, perfection is just a fairytale that we tell ourselves.

You appreciate being able to be completely yourself. That's when you thrive. Allow others that same respect. Please. And if you don't feel like you can be yourself, be very careful that your ivory tower doesn't become your perfect prison.

Bob Payne, Manager

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



FUN FOR SENIORS

Ring Toss Tournament

Thursday, March 1st @ 12:45PM  
Come and enjoy your peers in the dining room in a ring toss tournament.

Rock Art

Friday, March 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd  
@ 1:00 PM in the Craft Room  
Come join us in the Craft Room to paint rocks to be placed around the city.



Chess Club

Friday, March 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd @ 1:00PM in the Craft Room  
Is anyone interested in a chess club? We need someone who knows

the game to teach the basics to other seniors. There is a sign-up at the front desk for members and instructors. The club will meet every Friday at 1PM in the Library.



Bingo

Tuesday, March 6th @1:00PM  
Speed Bingo with Manor Care.  
Tuesday, March 13th @ 1:00 PM  
Fun Bingo Sponsored by The Willows.  
Tuesday, March 27th @ 1:00PM  
Fun Bingo sponsored by Mt. St. Joe's.



Breakfast with Bob

Thursday, March 8, 2018 @ 8:30AM will be at Adam's Place, 681 E. 200th Street, Eu-

clid, OH 44119. You must have your OWN transportation

Fireside Chat

Tuesday, March 12th @ 11:00AM  
Come and join in with other members and have a Fireside Chat. Open Forum.

Breakfast with Grande Pointe

Wednesday, March 14th @ 10:00AM  
Join us for muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, coffee and tea. Please sign-up at the front desk by March 12th.



Foodies

Thursday, March 15th @ 10:30AM Join us in the Library for Fun For Foodies. All participants please bring your favorite dish. Sign-up at the front desk.

St. Patrick's Day

Wickliffe Country Place  
Thursday, March 15th @ Noon  
Come join in on the fun with Wickliffe Country Place. There will be corned beef, cabbage and potatoes and lots of fun.

Boogie Down Cardio with Michael

Tuesday, March 20th @ 1:00  
A new cardio class. Come get fit and have fun at the same time.



BIRTHDAY DAY-

Wednesday, March 21st @ 11:45 AM Cupcakes sponsored by Heartland.

Spring Wreaths

Thursday, March 29th @ 10:00 AM.  
Heartland will be here to teach us how to make your own Spring Wreaths. Please sign up at the front desk to participate by March 27th.



TRIPS

Jack Thistle down  
Thursday, March 15th  
Leave the Center around 9:30AM and return around 3:00 PM. Cost: \$10.00  
Sign up at the Front Desk.

Grande Pointe Fun Bingo

Tuesday, March 20th  
Leave the Senior Center around 1:15PM returning around 3:00PM.  
Register at the Front Desk. FREE

Legacy Village

Thursday, March 22nd  
Let's go shopping! We will load up and shop, shop, shop at beautiful Legacy Village.  
Leave the Center around 12:30PM and return around 3:00PM. Cost \$3.00

SPEAKERS

Growing Old, It's Personal

Monday, March 5th @ 11:00AM  
Come join Bob in the Library for a chat about aging.

Comfort Keepers

Wednesday, March 7th @ 11:00AM Comfort Care will be onsite to speak with us regarding Senior Nutrition.

Grief Support Group

Thursday, March 8th @ 12:45 PM  
The 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. Provided by Euclid Senior Programs & Hospice of the Western Reserve.

Community Police Talk

Thursday, March 8th @ 12:15PM  
"Cop -a- Question" - Immediately after lunch. Members from our Police Department update us monthly and answer all your questions. Can't be here? Leave your questions at the front desk.

Brookdale

Friday, March 9th @ 11:00AM  
A representative from Brookdale will come in and discuss the Blue Zone.

Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Wednesday, March 14th @ 10:30 AM  
A representative from CCF will be onsite to share on Stroke Prevention.

Brookdale

Tuesday, March 20th @ 11:00  
Come and listen to a scintillating talk on Healthcare 2018.

Safety Driving Class

Friday, March 23rd @ 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM  
Please sign up at the front desk. Space is limited. Fee is \$15.00 to be paid in the class.

Muffins w/Superintendent

Monday, March, 26th @ 11:00AM  
Come, have a question and answer forum with the Superintendent.

MANOR CARE ASK MEIH

Tuesday, March 27th @ 11:00AM. Meih will be back to answer your questions on "Sex & Seniors". Please drop your questions in the box at the front desk, "Ask Meih".

McGregor/Pace

Wednesday, March 28th @ 11:00AM  
A representative from McGregor/Pace will come in and share what a stay at their facility would encompass.

SERVICES

Thursday, March 1st @ 1:30 to 6:30PM  
Blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross in the Dining Room Annex.



DPS

Tuesday, March 13th @ 10:00AM - 1:30PM  
Have a question for an attorney regarding estate planning, wills, trusts, Medic-

aid 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 at front desk. FREE This service will continue on the second Tuesday of each month.

Podiatry

Thursday, March 14th @ 9:20 to 11:00 AM  
Call 289-2985 or sign up at the front desk for an appointment.  
Fee - \$20.00 with current membership.

Senior Page

Medicaid & Medicare

by Ginny Calvey

Recently, Paul was reassessed for his benefit under Medicaid and lost his medical benefit. This granted him a special enrollment period to adopt new coverage. His new classification of QI still provided help with paying his Part B premium, as well as, help in paying for prescription drugs.

If Paul enrolls in a stand alone drug plan, he will still be liable for copays and deductibles as well as the 20% medical cost Medicare does not cover. There are Advantage plans which would not only supplement the drug coverage, but would also provide



Computer Classes

Monday, March 12nd @ 1:00 - 2:30PM.  
Interested in learning Computer Basics? Join us in the computer room. Sign up at the front desk.



Lisa Lee's Reflexology

Friday, March 23rd @ 10AM - 12PM  
Come in for a relaxing reflexology session with Linda. Fee \$10.00 Sign up at the Front Desk.

BENEFITS CHECK-UP

Monday, March 19th & 26th, @ 9:00AM - 1:00PM 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 or sign up at the front desk. FREE

Post Office On Wheels

Friday, March 23rd @ 10:50-11:15 AM  
Purchase stamps, money orders & packaging supplies. Mail letters & packages. Special services available.

FREE FRESH PRODUCE

Monday, March 26th @ 12:30PM - 2:30PM (or until all produce is gone) First Come First Serve. Please bring your ID. You must be a current member of Euclid Senior Programs to Participate.

HEALTH AND FITNESS

Chair Yoga - Monday at 10:00 AM  
AC \$ 3.00 per class.

Yoga - Thursday at 9:00 AM  
Annex Room \$ 3.00 per class.

Tai-Chi - Tuesday at 3:30 PM  
Six week series - \$24, Drop-ins \$6.00 per class.

Billie Exercise Class - (Chair)  
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00AM

Line Dance - Thursday, 1:00PM.

Ballroom Dancing - Monday & Wednesday, 1:00PM

Free Blood Pressure Checks

Thursday, 10:00-11:00AM  
Please give your name to the volunteer who will issue you a number. Wait in the hallway until your number is called.

Chair Exercise to Music - Wednesday, 11:00AM

medical coverage and limit the total cost medical treatment entails.

These plans are available for Medicare eligible clients both over and under the age of 65. They provide protection for those who are disabled and entitled to a healthcare benefit as well. Many of these plans cover hospital, doctor as well as prescription benefits. Carefully calculate the costs of your drugs as well as confirm your providers and facilities are in network to ensure affordability.

For more information, about this and other topics, visit nestingnet.com.

Silver Sneakers Class -

Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
10:00 - 10:50AM -Free with Silver Sneakers membership. No Silver Sneakers on Monday, March 26th & Friday March 30th.

FUN AND GAMES

BEADING CLASS:

Monday, March 5th @ 10:30AM  
FREE to members

Quilting Class - 2nd & 3rd Thursday @ 12:30PM-2:30PM

Pinochle Tournament - Friday @ 1:00PM.  
Computer Room. No Pinochle on March 30th.

Open Card Play -Wednesday @ 1:00 PM.  
Card games, Pinochle, Bridge & Rummy.

Bingo - Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 12:45PM. No Bingo on March 30th.

Pool Tournament - Friday, March 16th @ 9:20AM February winner Bob Payne.

Crochet- Tuesday @ 10:00AM

Adult Coloring - Tuesday @ 1:00PM

EDUCATION SOCIALIZATION

Bible Study - The group meets Tuesday @ 10:00AM.

Arts & Crafts - Wednesday @ 10:00AM -

Sewing - Thursday @ 10:00AM

Art with Jack - Tuesday @ 12:45PM

Book Discussion

Monday, March 12th @ 1:15PM  
Jennifer, from Euclid Public Library, will lead the discussion on the book, Evicted, by Matthew Desmond.

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!

Food Service

Kenyatta Black, Food Service  
Effie Grays, Food Service  
Akia Henderson, Food Service

Inpatient or Outpatient: Your Hospital Status Matters



Laura Mutsko.  
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Mutsko Insurance Services.

by Laura

Mutsko Seniors covered by Medicare need to be aware of their hospital status for any hospitalization. You need to ask, "am I an Inpatient or Outpatient?"

Here's why. Observation status is the classification patients are given before they are formally admitted to the hospital. It provides doctors with time to decide whether to admit a patient as an inpatient or discharge them. You can be classified as observation status regardless of whether you are in the emergency room, having outpatient surgery or staying in a regular hospital room. While you are under observation status, you remain an outpatient.

Problems arise because observation status affects how much you pay for hospital services, like x-rays, drugs and lab tests. It can also affect whether Medicare will cover care you get in a skilled nursing facility (SNF) following your hospital stay.

For a patient who meets Medicare's three-day inpatient hospital stay requirement and qualifies for Part A coverage, Medicare will pay for 100 percent of their skilled nursing care for the first 20 days and

then all but \$167.50-per-day co-insurance for days 21-100. However, under Medicare rules, the days spent as an outpatient under observation status do not count toward the three-day hospital stay requirement.

In March, 2017, Congress enacted a law requiring hospitals to inform patients both orally and in writing within 36 hours that they are in the hospital "under observation." However, patients and their families are often under stress and do not realize the financial implications of this classification. A number of bills have been introduced in Congress over the past several years that would require Medicare to count the time a Medicare patient spends in observation status toward the three-day inpatient requirement to qualify for coverage of skilled nursing care.

There are no clear cut solutions. At this time, there is no process for appealing observation status. Many patients who find themselves in this situation ask their personal physician to intercede and try and get a patient's status changed. Others pay out of pocket for their services. Many simply go without care.

If you have questions concerning life, health, Medicare Supplement Insurance, Medicare Advantage plans or other insurance questions, please contact me at 440-255-5700 or Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com. I will help you get the best coverage to meet your needs.

### Get the **FACTS** on Medicare Health Insurance and Rx Plans.

**CALL NOW TO REGISTER FOR A CLASS IN YOUR AREA:**

**Monday, March 12 • 6-8:00 pm**  
**Eastlake Library**  
**440-942-7880** for reservations

**Thursday, March 22 • 6:30-8 pm**  
**Concord Community Center**  
**440-639-4650** for reservations

**Monday, April 9 • 6-7:30 pm**  
**Willoughby Hills Library**  
**440-942-3362** for reservations

**Monday, May 21 • 6-8:00 pm**  
**Morley Library**  
**440-255-5700** for reservations

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These events are for educational purposes only and no plan specific benefits or details will be proposed. Limited seating. Pre-registration required. Some nominal fees may apply.

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