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Euclid Breaks Ground On The Early Learning Village And Secondary Campus



Digging into the future

The sun was shining on our Euclid last month as students, administrators, city leaders, and residents broke ground on the Early Learning Village and Secondary Campus (Euclid High School and Middle School). What will be the first class of kindergarten students at the Early Learning Village, and the first class of freshmen in the new high school made the first "dig" into our future.

This building project is co-funded by the (state) Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and the plans include:

 Rebuilding parts Euclid High School (athletic facilities and auditorium remain) and are renovated)

- Building a new middle school on the present site of Euclid High School to operate as a secondary campus
- Building an Early Learning Village at the Forest Park site for preschool and kindergarten students
- Converting the Central Middle School site into a Cleveland Metroparks park for passive recreation

Thank you to our Euclid residents for supporting this vision not only for our children but for the future of our city. We look forward to continuing to provide excellent facilities and educational opportunities to our community.



Euclid emerges victorious with nearly 200 bags of trash collected by volunteers at 'The Big Clean 2018'



Thanks to the hundreds of volunteers and dozens of sponsors who made 'The Big Clean 2018' a success! Euclid was the winner, collecting nearly 200 bags of litter.

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

Hundreds of Euclid and Collinwood residents took to the streets, parks, tree lawns, and highway ramps on Saturday, April 21st for 'The Big Clean 2018', the second annual cleanup competition between the two communities.

Euclid was once again victorious, collecting nearly 200 bags of trash in just a few

Ward 3 Councilperson Taneika Hill is a returning participant to the now annual

event. "Most people would not be excited about spending a Saturday morning picking up trash," she commented, "but I find a great deal of satisfaction participating and seeing so many members of my community come out to be the change they want to see."

Councilperson Hill participated in the cleanup with fellow Council members Brian Moore (Ward 2), Christine McIntosh (Ward 5), and John Wojtila (Ward 6).

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Gertha Spear Proclamation at Hilltop Village



by Jillian Cobb

Hilltop Village is a senior living community right here in Euclid Ohio. If you are looking for a place for a family member, or even yourself, Hilltop offers many amenities that you or your loved one could benefit from. Situated in a picturesque setting at the top of a hill in Euclid, Hilltop Village is surrounded by lush landscape, trees & peaceful beauty.

As much as we enjoy our beautiful surroundings, our biggest joy is our residents

themselves. They are what keep our community thriving, and we consider them an extension of our family. We have been lucky to have many centenarians live within our community over the years and currently have two residents over 100 years old! One of those residents, Gertha Spear was presented with Proclamation from Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail on April 27, 2018. When asked how she feels about receiving a Proclamation Gertha is "overjoyed". Gertha has been a wonderful addition to our community and is known throughout for her positive spirt and infectious smile. Gertha has a deep love for our Lord, Jesus Christ and has lived her life by his command. She has spent the last 50 years of her life dedicated to helping Veterans right here in Cleveland Ohio at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center. Her gentle and kind spirt have no doubt help many Veterans along the way.

Gertha is just one of many that makes our world go around here at Hilltop Village. We encourage you to stop by and meet Gertha, and to tour our wonderful community. You and your family can rest assured that your loved one will truly be looked after at Hilltop Village. Call 216-261-8383 to schedule your personal tour today!

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Do something wonderful, people may imitate it.
- Albert Schweitzer

From the desk of the Mayor

"If You Value Your



Freedom, Thank a Veteran." Please join me in honoring those who fought for our country and our freedom by participating in the Euclid Memorial Day parade and services on Monday, May 28th.

The day begins at the Euclid Cemetery with graveside services at 7:45 am followed by a ceremony at St. Paul's Cemetery at 8:15 am. The parade begins at 10:00am at E. 228th and Lakeshore Blvd and proceeds to City Hall. Following the parade will be services at the Veteran's Monument next to City Hall. A special thank you to all our veterans and their family members for your service and support of our community!

This year, the American Legion Post 343 will be dedicating a new Vietnam Veteran's Memorial. This memorial matches the

Korean War Memorial that was dedicated in 2016. The Memorial will be dedicated after the parade as part of the Joint Veteran's Council Ceremony – please join us to honor our Vietnam Veterans.

Euclid's Relay for Life will take place on Friday, May 11th from 6:00 pm to midnight at the Euclid High School stadium. This is a community effort to raise funds for cancer research and honor those who have been touched by cancer. It is a moving event and a great example of the community coming together – I encourage you to participate.

There is a great deal of activity occurring across the City – the Euclid Schools have broken ground on both the Early Learning Village and the Secondary Campus. The Euclid Square Mall has been demolished and the foundation is being built for the new Amazon Fulfillment Center. You will soon see E. 222nd Street re-surfacing begin. The tennis courts are in process and will be ready for play soon. Our service department is out filling pot holes, cleaning

up parks and public properties and preparing for the summer season. I know many residents are also working on getting yards cleaned up and improving their homes – thank you for caring about your community!

I would also like to thank everyone who helped with the Big Clean on April 21st. There were many residents, families, community groups, businesses, church groups, scout troops who helped to pick up litter through-out the City. I appreciate these efforts and challenge each and every one to do your part every day to Keep Euclid Beautiful! If we all take a small part, we can make a big impact. If you are interested in getting more involved in Keep Euclid Beautiful, please call or email Linda Beck at LBeck@cityofeuclid.com or 216-289-2751.

Thanks, I look forward to seeing you around town!

Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail

Petition Letter re: Euclid Family YMCA

by Amy Bennett

To Whom It May Concern:

As citizens of the City of Euclid, we were saddened to hear of the impending closure of the Euclid Family YMCA. Mr. Timothy M. Hilk, President and Chief Executive Officer, of the YMCA of Greater Cleveland, held three meetings with members and staff of The Euclid Family YMCA on 4/4/18. The reasons Mr. Hilk gave for the decision to close The Euclid Family YMCA were:

- Deteriorating physical condition of the building creating unsafe conditions;
- The Building does not meet current ADA standards (the ADA was signed into law on 6/26/90); and
- Unsustainable operating costs due to building deterioration

Hilk invited comments, questions, and concerns regarding this news. To say the least, there was much anger in the room and real concerns raised about the future of the local residents regarding their use of the Euclid Family YMCA and the many wellness programs it provides and the sense of community members feel when there. Given the economic means of many of the Euclid Family YMCA members, closing the facility presents enormous hardships.

Mr Hilk's offered the following options:

• moving memberships to other YMCAs such as Hillcrest and Willoughby; and

such as Hillcrest and Willoughby; and
• waiting for the Greater Cleveland YMCA
board to develop partnerships with other
local Euclid businesses and discuss possible
future development of alternative health
and wellness offerings at other sites in the
City

As many of the Euclid Family YMCA do not drive or have developmental differences, transportation to other facilities is difficult to nonexistent. Many members live within walking distance of the Euclid Family YMCA.

The Euclid Family YMCA is not only an exercise facility for the local community it acts as a community center where the residents come together. A unique sense of comradery is shared by Euclid's diverse population. This gives members a very positive and unique sense of community reportedly not experienced at other YMCA facilities (e.g. Willoughby, Hillcrest)

Closing the facility will most certainly break up the very real sense of community and be yet another sign of collateral damage ... along with people moving away, community investment opportunities ig-

nored or nonexistent, recent police shootings and being considered another inner ring suburbs where the citizenry are not considered with the same importance and priority as other wealthier suburbs.

As members of the Euclid Fam-

ily YMCA, we expect discussions to begin with the possibility of rebuilding the Euclid Family YMCA, with state of the art amenities deserving of the citizens of Euclid. We also expect every effort to be made by the Greater Cleveland YMCA Board to engage corporate partners who could invest in this project or at the very least offer the kinds of positive discussions and problem solving other YMCA 's has been given in this system.

There is a petition at the Euclid Family YMCA front desk which can be signed by anyone in support of this action. The petition will be forwarded to the Mayor of Euclid, the Ward Councilperson, The Greater Cleveland YMCA Board, and the Euclid Family YMCA Board.

Sincerely,

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Enjoy an Afternoon of Irish Music with Cahal Dunne



by Barbara Comiskey

The Irish American Club, East Side is pleased to present "Ireland's Happy Man," Cahal Dunne for one show only on Friday, June 15, 2018. The afternoon performance will take place at the Irish American Club, East Side at 22770 Lakeshore Blvd., in Eu-

lid.

Dunne, a gifted vocalist, composer, storyteller, pianist and comedian, is a native of County Cork, Ireland. His performance will include a range of music, covering everything from The Music of the Night to silly songs like The Menopause Song. His style is rich and deep, winning him fans from across the country.

Doors will open for lunch, beginning at 11:30 am. Lunch will feature boneless chicken breast with rice pilaf, steamed vegetable medley, and salad. Tickets for the event are \$25 for Irish American Club members and \$30 for non-members. To purchase tickets, contact Sue McGill at 216-386-5468 or Mary Jo Gurry at 216-375-5468.

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Euclid Library

MEDIA

by Ashley Gowens

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May Programs at Euclid Public Library EPL Offering Automatic Renewals

Fallout from the Opioid Crisis:

The Impact of Women and Children in Foster Care

THURSDAY, MAY 10 at 6:30 PM Lake & Shore Rooms

The opioid crisis has caused the number of children in foster care to soar. Join Cuyahoga County Councilwoman Sunny Simon and Euclid Councilwoman Laura Gorshe for a discussion on this very important topic affecting our community.



Euclid

by Ashley Gowens Small Business Breakfast

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Wednesday, May 9

8:30 AM/Lake & Shore Room

Euclid Public Library and the Euclid Chamber of Commerce are teaming up to show you the roadmap to success for your small business. You will hear from experts about how to get the information and guidance you need to start or grow your business. Among the presenters will be representatives from the library, Chamber of Commerce, The Urban League, and Euclid's Planning and Development Office. Afternoon Tea

Thursday, May 10

2:30 PM / Shore Room

Join us for an afternoon cream tea to celebrate the Royal wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Bring a friend along to enjoy samples of several quality teas, as well as scones, jam, and clotted cream. Although teacups will be provided, you are welcome to bring your special cup and share your favorite teacup story.

Please register by calling 216-261-5300 ext. 0.

Fireside Chat: Fallout from the Opioid Crisis Thursday, May 17

6:30 PM / Fireplace EPL welcomes Councilwoman Laura Gorshe for a follow-up conversation about the impact of the Opioid Crisis and its effects on women and children in foster care. **AARP Driving Class & Vision Check** Tuesday, May 22

10:30 AM / Shore Room

Designed for drivers 50 years and older, this 4-hour course will help you learn driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel. After completing the course, you will receive a certificate of completion that can be presented to your insurance agent for a possible reduction in your auto insurance premiums. Also available in the morning is a vision check from the Ohio BMV. The cost for the course is \$15 for AARP members/\$20 for non-members. Registration is required.

Please call 216-261-5300 ext. 0 to make a reservation.

Expungement Program Thursday, May 24

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Summer Reading Program 5

MONDAY, JUNE 4 - SATURDAY, JULY 21

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Summer Reading Kick-Off!

2:00 - 4:00 PM / Library Gardens

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community together. Stop by and

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MONDAY, JUNE 4

Euclid Public Library rocks this year's Summer Reading

6:00 PM / Lake & Shore Room

Are you looking for a fresh start? Is your record holding you back? Many people are not aware of the possibility of having their criminal record sealed or expunged. We will have presenters from the Public Defender's Office, Cuyahoga County's Courts, the County Prosecutor's Office, the Cleveland Bar Association and the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland to explain the process and answer your questions.

EPL is now offering automatic renewals of physical materials including books, CDs, and DVDs.

books, CDs, DVDs, and other physical ma-

terials without holds for patrons. The new

service hopes to potentially reduce overdue

fines and allow patrons to check out items

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If an item cannot be renewed, you will receive a courtesy due soon notice (via PHONE, EMAIL, or SMS Text) the evening before your materials are due. Please note: This service does not apply to digital materials (i.e., Overdrive), only physical materials. For more information, please call (216) 261-5300.

Foundation Miniature Golf Fundraiser May 11

THE EUCLID PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION invites you to an evening of fun at the Library!



FRIDAY, MAY 11 / 5:30 - 9:00 PM

Bring your favorite "foursome" and attempt an "eagle" or a hole-in-one throughout the library's indoor course, while contributing to a good cause. All proceeds from the evening's event will go to the Euclid Public Library Foundation.

(This is an Adult Only Event)

Tickets are \$25 and will be available for purchase at the library in April. For more information, please call (216) 261-5300 ext.107.



Thank you for supporting the library!



by Ashley Gowens

The Euclid Public Library Foundation is excited to announce this year's annual fundraiser, Miniature Golf at the Library adult-only event on Friday, May 11, 2018, from 5:30 – 9:00 PM to support the many services and resources EPL provides. Bring your favorite foursome and attempt an eagle or a hole-in-one throughout the library's indoor course while supporting a formation.

good cause, as all proceeds from the evening's event will go to the Euclid Public Library Foundation.

Tickets for admission are \$25 each and available at the library now. Tickets include nine-holes of miniature golf throughout the library, heavy appetizers, beer and wine drink tickets, and entertainment after hours. Call 216-261-5300 x107 for more information.

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Stained-Glass Company Serves Regional Customers for More Than 30 Years



The glass-restoration workshop area

by Gina M. Tabasso

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When you walk into the entry of Whitney

Stained Glass where the uncut glass of

every color is stored, it's like entering a se-

cret garden or the back, private, work area

of a museum. There's magic taking place,

and things of beauty all around. The tal-

ent of the five full-time and two part-time

employees is astounding. All have been

with the company for at least five to six

years. They make, restore, install and store

stained glass windows and doors, as well

as skylights, chandeliers, mosaics, lamps,

backsplashes, and other unique restoration

projects. The current and second owner,

Pete Billington, says that working in the

stained-glass business takes a specific skill

set: drawing and illustration ability for

wwork, an understanding of geometry,

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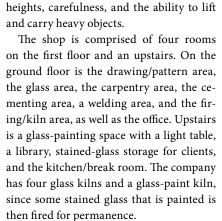
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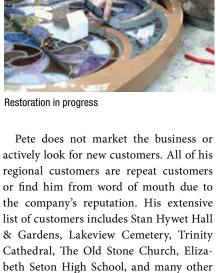
Pete working on a skylight



handiness, having a good "eye," attention to detail, construction ability, no fear of



Whitney Stained Glass was started in 1984 by Jim Whitney. He passed away at the end of 2005, and his primary painter, Pete, bought the company from Jim's widow in 2007. Pete graduated with a painting degree from Cleveland State University and was working at an art-supply store after college, but he needed a more permanent position. Jim was a friend of the family and had come to Pete's parent's house for a Super Bowl party. Jim invited Pete to the studio. During that visit, Pete asked for a job. Jim said he wasn't hiring a painter. Pete said he just wanted to work with his hands. Jim said, "Okay, you can start on Monday." That was October 1998; the rest is history.



work is installation of new glass; the rest is restoration. These projects are intricate and time consuming. For example, one church's stained-glass restoration project in Monroe, Mich., took five years to complete. Pete's first big job with Jim was the First United Methodist Church at 30th St. and Euclid Ave., Cleveland, which also was I asked Pete which project was his favorite or most memorable. He says, "A lot of them. When you take apart a Tiffany, it's really consuming for weeks. We also

churches and private individuals for their

residences. He says about 25 percent of his

rebuilt a 40'-by-60' skylight at the Calfee Building on E. 6th St. and Rockwell Ave. For that job, I had to get a custom roller made to match the texture. The roller, made by a company in New Jersey, was 6' long by

7" in diameter and cost \$35,000." One interesting topic came up during my tour: lead. Yes, all of the employees



The main workshop area

work with and are exposed to lead on a daily basis. They get tested annually and are well within the safety range. Pete says, "We wash our hands a lot. Mainly, the older stuff is dangerous as it deteriorates and oxidizes, but the primary concern is if you breathe it in or ingest it. Contact isn't as much of an issue." Pete's a trained fine artist who mainly

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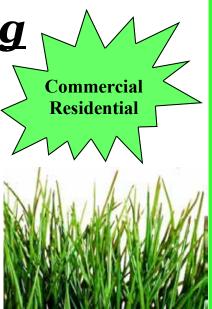
paints in watercolor. When asked if he still does his personal art, he states, "YEAH! I need to do work that isn't work-related, but I also do my own stained glass to make use of the facility and equipment. I encourage my staff to do the same." He quotes the late, great glass artist Dan Fenton from his book Glass Under Heat: Complete Kiln Work Notes, 1982-2004: "Never let the sun set on a cold kiln." About stained glass, he says, "Painted glass is my favorite, especially the Munich-style, old German stuff." Check out the photo below to see why.

When asked what inspires him, he says, "The drive to stay successful, to stay in business, to pay my employees and keep them working. I want my clients to hire me again and tell others. The ability to work as an artist and support myself doing what I love."Gina M. Tabasso, marketing communications specialist, HGR Industrial Surplus, www.

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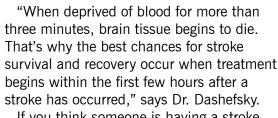
Is it a stroke? Know the warning signs and BE FAST.

The brain cannot store oxygen, so it relies on a network of blood vessels to provide it with blood that is rich in oxygen. Lack of blood supply to the brain can lead to a stroke, the leading cause of serious, long-term disability in the U.S.



"A stroke occurs when a blood vessel in the brain becomes blocked or bursts," says Larry Dashefsky, MD, a neurologist who treats patients at Cleveland Clinic Euclid Hospital and Cleveland Clinic Hillcrest Hospital, both home to Joint Commissioncertified Primary Stroke Centers. "There are two types of strokes – a hemorrhagic stroke occurs when brain arteries rupture; an ischemic stroke occurs when blood supply to the brain is cut off."

During a hemorrhagic stroke, brain arteries rupture from high blood pressure, abnormal blood vessel walls or an aneurysm. In ischemic strokes, brain arteries become blocked by a clot or plaque and the blood supply is cut off from part of the brain, depriving brain tissue of oxygen and nutrients.



If you think someone is having a stroke, BE FAST. Look for these warning signs and

B - Balance: Watch for a sudden loss of

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one side of the face droop? A - Arm: Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

S – Speech: Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Is their speech slurred or strange?

T – Time: If you observe any of these signs, immediately call 911.

To learn more about Cleveland Clinic's comprehensive stroke services throughout northeast Ohio, visit clevelandclinic.org/strokecenters.

Nurses Make A Difference Every Day!

Every year in May, Cleveland Clinic joins in the National Nurses Week celebration and thanks their nurses for the amazing differences they make each and every day.

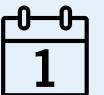
Nurses create human connections that provide a healing environment for patients and their families. Their dynamic roles require our nurses to gracefully respond to change; they must continually assess each patient, create and implement a plan of care that best meets their needs, and adapt to any changes in the patient's condition. Our capable nurses embrace these tasks and more to provide safe, quality, compassionate care.

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Community Calendar

Featured event: ASK THE EXPERTS Well-Being: **Healthy Mind-Healthy Body**

Thursday, June 21, 2018 **Executive Caterers at Landerhaven** 6111 Landerhaven Dr., **Mayfield Heights**

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Registration, health screenings and wellness vendors 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Dinner and expert panel discussion

Dr. Michael Roizen and a team of Cleveland Clinic Integrative and Lifestyle Wellness experts will share their tips for taking control of your health. By guiding you through dietary and lifestyle changes, our integrative specialists will explain how alternative therapies can complement your lifestyle for optimal

Ask the Experts includes a sit-down dinner and informal Q&A discussion. Bring your questions: bring a friend. Enjoy pampering, demonstrations, giveaways and more.

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VISUAL ARTS, DANCE, MUSIC, FITNESS AND WELLBEING CLASSES ONGOING THROUGHOUT SUMMER!



This year's Euclid Wind Festival is shaping up to be a breezy blast of fun for all ages! The Fest will be held once again at Euclid's Sims Park on the shores of Lake Erie!

Join us on Saturday, June 16th, 3 to 8 pm for music, food, fun, as well as displays and activities. Visit our website for details. For sponsorship info, send an email to llk@thecoralcompany.com

Now accepting Artist Submissions for our new arts/crafts vendor area at the Wind Fest. Work must fit the theme, and all the information along with the application can be downloaded at our website listed above. Limited spaces available.

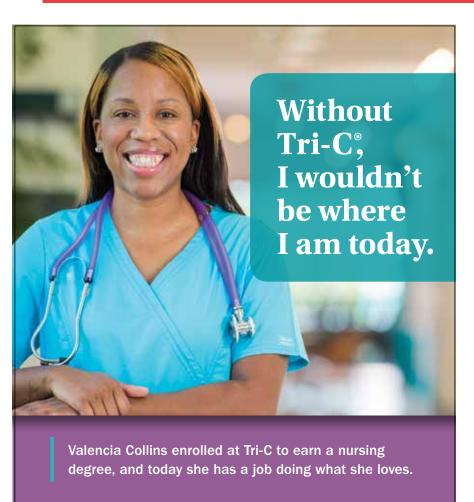
Our Summer Schedule is Online

Shore has many fantastic ongoing classes for kids and adults. Register today for Ballet or Tap, Yoga, Martial Arts or Painting, just to name a few of our offerings. Stop by our Open Pottery studio and learn a new skill, or revisit a past interest. These, and many more, classes continue to take place over the summer. Learn more, and download a schedule, on our website listed above.

Upcoming Events

May 5th—Night of Motown Era Magic Concert 5 May 6th—Euclid Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert Opening June 1st—the Euclid Farmers' Market The market will be held on Fridays through October 5th at 3-6:30pm. We now accept EBT!

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Film School is cool



a while

by Jonah Kenney

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Hello, hello, hellooooo!

Coming to you live from Los Angeles, California. Today I finally checked this email and was reminded to send in an article for the Euclid Observor. It is becoming surreal now, due to being in The Los Angeles Film School. Never dreamed of being

in film school, and here I am. No matter what the future holds for us, we can't forget where we came from, and that is the main reason for me writing this short paragraphs for a free newspaper that prints once a month in Euclid, Ohio where I began writing for a newspaper. Well that's all I have. KOCHAM cie, Jonah Kenney

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Kiddie City Kids' Crusaders Recognized



by Sherrie Zagorc

We looked back twelve years to select and honor six women at Kiddie City's annual "Funds for Fun" Saturday, April 14th. They are Kiddie City foundation builders from the very beginning and are still with us spreading our mission to Euclid area children. Helen Shelby, Valentina Vasili, Laura Asseff, and Jennifer Garza are valued staff members who continue to use their skills in classrooms as teachers, in the library as literacy or curriculum specialists, as mentors to new teachers, as familiar substi-

tutes around the building, or in the office as the voices and faces of Kiddie City to new families and friends on the phone or in person. They earned early kudos working in tight spaces with limited resources as we grew from our first building at the corner of Wilmore and E. 200th Street to our expansion in 2010 across the driveway into the former barber and beauty shops, and our 2016 move to the former Lincoln Elementary School building on E. 206th St. We've grown from a staff of eight to a staff of forty full and part time employees.

Angelique King's quest to become a Kids' Crusader began before we opened our doors. Angelique and her son and grandson visited Kiddie City at our first open house and were the first students enrolled in the infant and toddler classrooms. As Angelique's roles as parent and grandparent moved up the ranks in the Euclid School district, her role at Kiddie City changed to a valuable board member with an emphasis on making sure that Kiddie City continues to help parents find resources for their child's special needs.

It was destined Carole Mozeleski would be included as a member of this class of super heroes for it was her building and house that gave Kiddie City Child Care Community a wonderful feeling of "home away from home" to the first children in 2006. Carole sacrificed a great deal in time, talent, and money to make Kiddie City a reality and for that we are grateful. Since our move to the Lincoln building, Carole has returned to Euclid and Kiddie City as

by DeAndre Nixon, Founder & President,

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a board member to help guide the organization through the second decade offering quality care and education to children, working to assist parents in their important job of parenting and elevating the profession of quality early childhood educators. She continues to use her great "do it herself" skills converting the former child care center back into her home. A Big Thank You to All of Our Talented KC Ladies!

P.S. Observer Readers.....You can be a Kids' Crusader too! If you are doing some spring cleaning and wish to donate or recycle some of your craft supplies, kids' toys, or a myriad of other hidden treasures, please consider a donation to Kiddie City Child Care Community - a local 501 c3 organization. Kiddie City staff members are preparing for a fun, creative summer with the children so, don't just recycle on Earth Day, consider a donation to our area nonprofit. Call 216-481-9044 for a list and more information. Thank you, Neighbors!

Battle of the Teal - 4EDU 2018









There has been a time when dinner and a theatre performance was mainstream much is that opportunity where you can enjoy a

like dinner and a movie for most is now. iN Education's Battle of the Teal – 4EDU event nice dinner, followed by live artistic performances for a benefit of a noteworthy cause. It is a fun-filled event; the night begins with Presentations, during dinner, intended to motivate, bring awareness of higher education possibilities, connects youth with the community, build youth self-esteem and instill leadership skills in our youth. If you like visual and performing arts, being in the art scene and networking than this is event is for you! The 2018, on its third year, Battle of the Teal - 4EDU will be held on May 19, 2018 starting at 5:00 PM at the Embassy Suites by Hilton, Beachwood, OH.

Proceeds from this fundraising event, will go towards keeping the arts alive through educational awareness and events within Cuyahoga County and beyond.

This year's cast and crew: Speakers: World renowned motivational speaker, Dr. George C. Fraser (Keynote); Ralph Tucker, Principal - Frederick Douglas Reclamation Academy, Representative John E. Barnes, Jr. - Ohio House of Representative - District12, Representative, Janine R. Boyd, Ohio House of Representatives – District 9, and others. Judges: Grace Roberts (Wave

107.3); Sarah Brumbaugh (Award Winning Artist); Michael Perczak (TSM Creations); Bobby Ford (Imagine Schools), Lady Gilmore (Queen on the Scene) Special Guest: Mama Fasi, DJ Steven Adams, and youth

Event is sponsored by Cleveland Cavs, Wave 107.3, Proficient Pro, Inc., Alpha Phi Alpha - Akron chapter and supported by Neighbourhood Connections - Neighbor Up, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, Cleveland Browns, Cleveland Orchestra, Great Lakes Theatre, Karamu House, One to One Fitness, US NAVY, US ARMY, Goldfish Swim School, FraserNET, African Safari Wildlife Park, Embassy Suites, Chameleon Entertainment, LLC, LifeSmart Education, TSM Creations, Lady Gilmore, Mr. Bowtie & Accessories, Dudley & Associates, LLC, Ohio State Icons, and Zealousness e-magazine among others.

Reserve your seats today then sit back, relax and enjoy your evening filled with the



Camp registration is open now! You can register in person on Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting April 26- May 29, from 4:30pm-6:30pm at the Early Learning Center. Registraion will be closed on Tuesday May 8 due to voting at the Early Learning Center. You can find out more information by visting the website at www.bts-vouth. 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!

Summer Camp 2018!



Summer vaction is just around the corner. 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 The mission of Beat the Streets is to of-

fer 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.

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Out in the Neighborhood



by Brian Moore

Now that the snow has melted, I think everyone is looking forward to getting out of the house. I am no exception. One of my first significant outdoor activities this Spring was participating in the Big Clean on April 21st.

Our team of six volunteers cleaned up the hill behind the McDonald's on Euclid Avenue and along Euclid Avenue between East 222nd and Beverly Hills. We made a big dent filling up 10+ garbage bags and finding a few items too large for bags. As

exciting as it was to see all the volunteers from Euclid and Collinwood coming out for the Big Clean, I can't help thinking how sad it is that people think it is okay to throw trash anywhere, but a garbage can. As I write this article on Earth Day, I am reminded that we are stewards of this beautiful planet that we live on and with the privilege of living here comes the responsibility to care for it. I encourage anyone that goes out walking on a regular basis to take a trash bag along with them to pick up any trash they may see blowing around the neighborhood

It was so encouraging to see all the volunteers come out to help clean up the city. They were very enthusiastic as they gathered at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School to get their supplies and they were full of pride over what they accomplished when they came back to find out who won and share a meal. Euclid won the competition but both communities were victorious when you consider that more than 300 bags of garbage were collected! My wife, Martina, and I were proud to be part of this event and are so appreciative to live in a city that values and organizes this type of civic

For my part, I am going to try to take regular walks on Euclid Avenue between East 222nd and Beverly Hills to pick up trash. I have also started deliberately driving the Ward and taking notes about properties that need attention. I am committed to making sure that our yards are kept up and that our housing stock is repaired as

Although decent, responsible landlords are welcome, and I will be helpful to them in any way I can, for the sake of the homeowners in Euclid irresponsible, absentee landlords that collect rent while letting

their property deteriorate or let their tenants neglect their responsibility to care for their property will not be tolerated.

I encourage you to contact me or the Housing Department if there is a problem property in your area. The city of Euclid has a variety of programs to help homeowners that might need some assistance. Please know that I am very sensitive to the needs of our older homeowners in Ward 2. Let me know if you are an elderly homeowner or live near an older resident that may need help with their property. In a healthy community we should hold each other accountable and support each other whenever possible.

I am also planning to get out on my bicycle and participate in the Bike the Ward project that Bike Euclid is organizing. As soon as the event is scheduled, I will be happy to share the date.

There are lots of great events planned in Euclid over the summer, most of which have free admission. These events include the Memorial Day Parade, the 200th Street Stroll, many concerts and the Euclid Wind Festival which will take place on June 16, 2018 from 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Simms Park.

I hope to see you around town!

Euclid Captures Spring

County Councilwoman Sunny

Simon and Euclid Councilwoman

Hall Meeting on May 10th to discuss

the Fall-out from the Opioid Crisis

Laura J. Gorshe will host a Town

by Mary Mastalski

After what seemed to be a never-ending Winter, signs of Spring are in the City of Euclid. The Department of Planning and Development's Spring Tree Planting is underway as part of the Municipal Beautification program through the Community

Development Block Grant. Various neighborhoods are receiving trees along their streets to increase the tree canopy throughout our City. This project follows last Fall's tree planting of 330 trees, the largest planting to date. This Spring, 145 trees are being

In addition to new trees, the Adopt-A-Spot program is back this Spring in coordination with Keep Euclid Beautiful. After a successful Big Clean, the City of Euclid looks better than ever and Adopt-A-Spots are a great way to showcase your gardening skills all while contributing to your City.



Adopt-A-Spot at the corner of E. 200th Street and

Individuals or groups are able to collaborate at these sites, and for more information on how to manage an Adopt-A-Spot, please contact KeepEuclidBeautiful@cityofeuclid.







County Councilwoman Sunny Simon

by LeVine Ross

Focusing on its Impact on Women and Children in the Foster Care System The opioid crisis has severely impacted the

number of children entering the foster care system. Those numbers are expected to double by the end of 2018, resulting in considerable strain on resources needed to provide families with the appropriate care and interventions required to keep children in a safe and nurturing environment. Many of these children experience tremendous trauma from not only being removed from their homes due to the epidemic but also witnessing episodes of parental overdose.

Please join Cuyahoga County Councilwoman Sunny Simon and Euclid Councilwoman Laura J. Gorshe on May 10th from 6:30- 8:00 pm at the Euclid Public Library for a discussion on this important topic. "We can make a difference in the lives of families and

children touched by the opioid crisis by coming together as one to support and uplift our communities," states Councilwoman Simon.

Eucild Ward 8 Councilwoman Laura J. Gorshe

There will be a distinguished panel of speakers led by Kate Lodge, Executive Director of (A Place 4 Me) which includes the Honorable Gayle Williams-Byers of South Euclid Municipal Court to provide insights on the immediate and future impacts of the opioid crisis on our community and ways we

A special thank you to the Euclid Public Library for hosting this event.

What: County Councilwoman Sunny Simon and Euclid Ward 8 Councilwoman Laura J. Gorshe will host a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the fall-out of the Opioid Crisis. When: Thursday, May 10th from 6:30 pm-

Where The Euclid Public Library 631 East 222nd Street, Euclid, Ohio 44123

by Matthew E. Mizak Arbor Day Foundation Names Euclid Tree

forest management.

City USA Euclid, OH, was named a 2017 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban

Euclid achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

"Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand," said Dan Lambe, president of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Additionally, recognition brings residents together and creates a sense of community pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

Trees provide multiple benefits to a com-

munity when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

More information on the program is available at arborday.org/TreeCityUSA

About the Arbor Day Foundation: The Arbor Day Foundation is a million member nonprofit conservation and education organization with the mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. More information is available at ar-

For more information, contact: Arbor Day Foundation Danny Cohn, 402-473-9563 dcohn@arborday.org **Euclid Shade Tree Commission** Brenda J. Hall, 216-571-2817

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Euclid Council Goals



In January, 2018 the new City Council, in an effort to be proactive, made the decision to establish goals for itself that the entire council would focus on over the next 24 months. All Council members agreed to participate in moving the prioritized goals forward. We each listed projects, ideas and issues that we felt needed full council support to succeed. Everyone understood there would still be room for specific projects to be championed by specific Councilpersons when they felt the project or issue was important to them specifically.

During the first quarter of 2018, we compiled a lengthy list of projects/goals that could use Council's attention. All members of Council reviewed the original lists of goals submitted by their colleagues. The original list was then categorized into groupings as much as possible so we could look at similarities and the number of times an idea was presented by different council

Following the first review, council mem bers held a lengthy work session to prioritize the categories of goals, and to also list some specific objectives associated with a given goal. In many cases the group estab-

lished timeframes to be associated with a goal to provide us with some component of accountability.

Following a very productive work session. different council members were asked to take specific categories agreed upon and provide further clarity and substantiating language to the goals. Council members wrote, reviewed and revised several drafts before the final document was approved by all council members. At the March 19th 2018 City Council meeting, council presented and unanimously approved its goals for the next 24 months. The Categories formulated were:

• Review of Tax Structures/Potential Revenue Enhancement - this goal is currently being discussed in the Executive & Finance Committee as part of a long range plan to remain fiscally sound.

• Master Plan Implementation – there are five goals within this category that will be followed up on in the Commercial Devel-

• Safety – goals include resident/police relationship opportunities, training, and ways to support the police force in its mission. City Assets - Goals specified were operational, strategic and capital plans for the Shore Cultural Centre and for Briardale Golf Course. The Assets committee has already begun that work.

Marketing - goals include capitalizing on new business opportunities and strengthening real estate broker ties to the city. Neighborhood Initiatives/Revitalization

- goals include formation of a new Community Development Corporation (CDC), to focus on limited redevelopments and community image Housing/Building Processes, P&Z Code

of codes that are outdated/obsolete. The

Housing & Building Committee is already

at work on these issues.

Green Infrastructure - focus is on future opportunities for better alternatives both for the City and for private property owners to consider.

Review of City Ordinances - the goal is to ensure our city ordinances are in current compliance with state statute and that they have relevance in today's community.

Other - this category holds some goals that do not fit nicely into the other categories, but were felt to be important enough to list. i.e. Continuing to monitor the city's healthcare costs to assure we can legitimately afford appropriate coverage as the environment changes.

All goals listed by City Council require the cooperation and collaboration of the City Department Directors and staff, and support of the Mayor. In discussing these goals with the Mayor, it is clear we are all focused on moving the city forward.

I am most proud to be working with a council that has demonstrated the talent, ability and commitment to bring this project forward in concert with the City administration. The goals are a roadmap for us to follow as the legislative branch and the administrative branch work toward common objectives. I am optimistic that this is the time for progress, collaboration and joint support for moving the city forward in a very positive manner, and that is a very promising strategy for each of us as residents of Euclid

The 2018-2019 City Council Goals in their entirety can be found on the City of Euclid website, www.cityofeuclid.com

Once on the website, go to 'City Departments', click on 'City Council', and then find highlighted 'City Council Goals for Review - goals include ensuring code consistency, enforcement and revisions

What Will Be The First Class Of Kindergarten Students At the Early Learning Village And The First Class Of Freshmen In the New High School Make the First "Dig" **Into Our Future**





How to have the "money talk" with your kids

by Dave Godek

One of the most important talks a parent can have with their child is the "Money Talk"

However, according to the Ohio Credit Union League's 2018 consumer survey, this isn't happening even though parents surveyed said they consider these lessons extremely important to a child's financial literacy.

Mike Losneck, CEO of Eaton Family Credit Union, explained the survey found 61 percent of respondents said they received most of their financial education through experience and life lessons. Only 23 percent felt they received financial education from home and, surprisingly, only 3 percent of Ohioans received financial education in the

classroom.

"Ohio's teens may not be graduating high school with the appropriate financial know-how," Losneck said.

Citing the National Financial Educators Council annual financial literacy test given annually to kids ages 10 and up in all 50 states, Losneck said teens in Ohio, ages 15 to 18, averaged 60.32 percent on the test. Nationally, students of the same age

scored an average of 61.11 percent

Parents want their children to have a good handle on finances before they leave the house in their late teens or early 20s, but most aren't sharing the necessary wisdom to make that happen.

Losneck said parents often aren't comfortable having this conversation with their children.

In the eighth annual Parents, Kids and Money survey conducted by T. Rowe Price, 69 percent of parents stated they have some reluctance discussing financial matters with kids while 35 percent said talking to their children about family finances is either very or extremely uncomfortable – ranking it alongside talks about death and drugs.

The survey also found parents are too self-conscious about their own financial situation to be comfortable sharing advice with their children. The survey found parents who previously declared bankruptcy are 24 percent more reluctant to discuss money with their kids. And, parents carrying significant credit card debt are 14 percent more likely to feel uneasy having those financial conversations.

Teaching children about money can be as easy as setting a good example, Losneck

"Children who consistently see their parents pay the bills on time and keep a budget are more likely to adopt those practices in their own lives," Losneck said. "Parents who have made financial mistakes should also share the experience with their children. That knowledge can prepare kids to avoid the same mistakes with their money in the future."

Losneck also recommends:

Make savings a tangible concept. Encourage younger kids to collect spare change in a clear jar or container so they can see their savings grow. Each time the kids want a small treat, parents can

offer to put the money they would have used to buy the treat into the "savings jar," instead. Once the jar is full, children can count the money and use the funds to purchase an extra-special treat. That way, they'll associate a sense of excitement with savings – they'll understand that delaying gratification can lead to a greater payoff down the

Have kids learn with their

own money. Kids will learn the value of a dollar better if it's their own. Younger children who are paid a small allowance for chores they complete around the house will learn the concept of working for money. Kids can then begin to spend their own money on some of the things they want. They'll begin to appreciate what these items actually cost and will be more open to lessons about price comparison.

road.

Get kids familiar with banking. Parents can make a trip to their financial institution an exciting event for younger kids. Let them in on the process – maybe even let them press the buttons on the ATM or help to fill out a deposit slip. They'll feel included in adult chores and won't feel intimidated by banking later in life.

Get help. There are plenty of resources out there for parents feeling mystified about their children's financial education. Free credit union-funded resources and tools are available at MoneyAndStuff.info and bizkids.com. Many credit unions also offer programs geared toward fostering financial literacy in kids and teens.

Introducing the Euclid CommUNITY Relations Task Force



by Marilou Myrick

The Euclid CommUNITY Relations Task Force is a diverse group of volunteer residents who are passionate about Euclid, and committed to supporting and advocating for all residents and neighborhoods in the city of Euclid.

We are your neighbors. We understand that all residents of Euclid want to be heard, to be proud of our city, to experience fairness and mutual respect, and to peacefully enjoy all that Euclid has to offer. We are committed to listening to you, and to supporting open communication.

Our commitment is to:

• Listen to and understand the goals, concerns, and challenges of all residents in the city of Euclid

• Foster and promote – through meaningful dialogue and positive action – mutual trust, understanding, respect, and cooperation among residents, and between residents and city administration

• Affirm the commitment of the city of Eu-

clid and the community at large to the fair and equal treatment of all persons

We're planning an event in August to celebrate Euclid by bringing together residents, city officials and other business and community stakeholders. Watch for announcements confirming the date and location. We also want to know about neighborhood events, block parties, and other opportunities to spend time with you and your neighbors, in order to understand your concerns, and to support your goals and hopes for our community.

Residents are encouraged to reach out to the CommUNITY Relations Task Force – by email temporarily to Kristal Grida at kgrida@cityofeuclid.com or by phone at 216-289-8268.

We look forward to talking with you, and we thank you for your positive involvement and support.

The purpose of the Euclid CommUNITY Relations Task Force is to promote respect, cooperation and positive interaction among Residents, and between Residents and the city's administration. We will be a resident-driven entity that supports and implements community groups, projects, and policies that embrace inclusion, meaningful dialogue, and fairness.

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Contact Marisa at 216-408-2969 (cell) or marisajazz@yahoo.com for more informa-





Our Latest Published Writer...



May 2018

Students in Mrs. Rossman's class were excited when they opened Scholastic News Magazine and found a piece written by one of their classmates. Caroline Brown was invited to debate the topic, "Should We Get Rid of the Penny?", and her essay was chosen for national publication. We're always proud to see Our Lady of the Lake students acknowledged for their talents --congratulations to Caroline for showcasing her research and writing skills.

OLL Students Visit Washington, DC









Our Lady of the Lake School is committed to education that goes beyond the class-room. In keeping with that philosophy, this year, both 7th and 8th grade students at Our Lady of the Lake School had the opportunity to visit Washington, DC, for several action-packed days, learning about our government and culture. Highlights from the trip included visits to the National Air and

Space Museum, the The National Museum of African American History and Culture, the Basilica of the National Shrine, Mount Vernon, the Arlington National Cemetery, many of the national monuments, the national Mall and much more. Students came home with newfound knowledge, great memories and a deeper appreciation for our nation's history.

Get to Know OLLY Vid Productions!



Students at Our Lady of the Lake have been busy with their new Video Ministry, learning to share good things going on in our community with videos they produce themselves. They call the ministry OLLY Vid-- for Our Lady of the Lake Youth Video

-- and they have some great stories to share already. To see some of their latest releases, visit the Our Lady of the Lake Parish Facebook page -- and be sure to watch for more great things from these talented young filmmakers!

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Imagine Bella Around Town



See you around town!

Imagine Bella teachers met with families during the Spring into Kindergarten event held by the Salvation Army. Through the summer, Imagine Bella teachers will be visiting community events throughout

Cleveland and Euclid. We would love to tell you more about Imagine Bella! Looking forward to seeing our current students and family members in the community and making new friends!

Ohio School of Character



From left to right, Zack Kantouros (Regional Director Imagine Schools), Sue McConnell (President Cleveland BBB), Mary Figueroa (Academic Coach), Sarah Myers (Assistant Pricipal), Madeline Carter (Miss Clayland), Arun Dutt (Principal), Brittney Grimes (PE Teacher/Character Education Leader)



Imagine Bella was visited by Miss Clayland, Madeline Carter, and the President and CEO of the Cleveland Better Business Bureau, Sue McConnell. Miss Clayland was part of the review process and the BBB awarded the school a check for the School of Character application fee. Imagine Bella was honored to be celebrated by the community as an Ohio School of Character! Imagine Bella is now being reviewed for consideration as a National School of Character.

Character is found throughout Imagine Bella. Here is one classroom display of the 4 questions and "Bucket Filling" chart.

Earth Day Pledge!



iappy Earth Day!

First graders from Ms. Gura's class made an Earth Day Pledge. They pledged to honor

Earth Day, not just on April 22nd, but every day. We can all make a difference!

Early Kindergarten and Enrollment for Next Year!



Kindergarten students practice reading their writing to classmates. #KindergartenReads #WritingWorkshop

Imagine Bella Academy of Excellence is now accepting applications for enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year! Enrollment packets and information available in the main office from 8-4:30. Kindergarten students who turn 5 by September 30th can follow the regular enrollment process using the application. Early Kindergarten Testing

dates will be scheduled this summer for students with late birthdays. Students must pass test requirements and submit a parent referral. Students must turn 5 by December 31st, 2018. Please contact the school with any questions and to register for a test date. 216-481-1500.

Butterflies at Imagine Bella





Caterpillars change to chrysalis stage.

Kindergarten students watched caterpillars change to beautiful butterflies. So excited Spring is here!

Time to fly free!

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Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School

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VASJ raises money for Catholic Relief Services

by Mary Furlan '18

VASJ's annual Lenten Mission Collection (LMC) has come to a close. Collectively, VASJ raised a total of \$3,075.53 for Catholic Relief Services and CRS Operation Rice Bowl.

The money was raised through rice bowls, cafeteria donations, homeroom collections, a change war, a Pi Day sale, and a tie sale.

Out of all the donations, the homerooms that raised the most money throughout Lent were Mrs. Marxen with \$419.46 and Miss Perusek with \$329.93,

"They are an amazing and generous group of students," says Marxen. "I'm very proud of them." The grade level who raised the most money was the sophomores, who raised over \$800. VASJ's faculty and staff raised almost \$500.

All of the money raised during the LMC is being donated to Catholic Relief Services, a distinguished charity that teaches those who are living in hardship to become self-sustaining so they can learn to better themselves and their communities.

The LMC is a long-standing tradition at VASJ. The Ursuline core value of service and social consciousness as well as the Marianist characteristic of educating for service, justice and peace, are at the core of everything we do. The Lenten Mission Collection is another wonderful example of VASJ's core values in action.

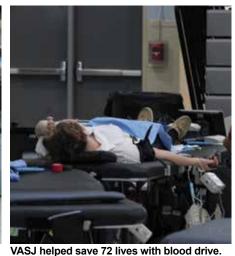


Members of VASJ's Peer Ministry club are responsible for coordinating the Ash Wednesday Prayer Service as well as overseeing the Lenten Mission Collection.

VASJ's Red Cross Club holds final blood drive of the year



VASJ President Bill Cervenik '72 was among the faculty and staff to donate blood.



by Khalid Mitcham '19

VASJ held the final blood drive of the year. Thank you to the students, faculty, and staff who donated and helped us collect 24 pints of blood which can save up to 72 lives!

Many students agree that the Red Cross Blood Drives aid in bettering the community by helping those in need.

"I'm happy to be able to do my part in helping save lives," says junior Bobbi Rempe.

Be sure to donate blood whenever you get the chance.

Escape on the Lake 5K run



Registration is open for VASJ's seventh annual Escape on the Lake 5K run and 1-mile walk.

The race will start at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School and end at the Lake Erie shoreline, on the beautiful grounds of the David Simpson Hospice House.

All participants are invited to

stick around for hot dogs and drinks with music, frisbees and of course, race results. This is a rain-or-shine event!

All pre-registered participants are guaranteed a t-shirt.

For more information and to register, visit vasj.com/escapeonthelake.

Hall of Fame induction ceremony



Plans are underway for VASJ's 2018 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony which will take place in November.

We are accepting nominations of individuals associated with the VASJ community who, through their achievements, their exemplary character, and their dedicated service, embody the ideals nurtured at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School and its founding schools.

If you know someone who fits the criteria, please visit vasj.com/hof to submit a nomination.

You can also visit the website for updated information as plans continue to unfold for the event.

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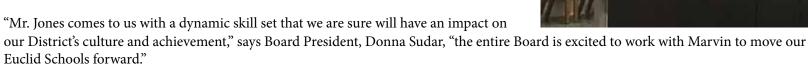
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Welcome our new Superintendent, Marvin B. Jones, II

EUCLID, Ohio—The Euclid Board of Education tonight officially hired a new school superintendent for the 2018-2019 school year, Mr. Marvin B. Jones, II. Mr. Jones will begin his contract July 1, 2018.

In early March, Dr. Charles Smialek notified the Board that he was leaving the district at the end of the school year. The Board of Education immediately began an extensive search for a new Superintendent. The District held a focus group and conducted an online survey to identify community expectations for the new leader. There were nearly 500 survey and focus group participants. Based on community input, a job description was created and widely distributed. In all, eighteen candidates applied, eight were interviewed in person and ultimately two finalists interviewed and met with staff, local community leaders and with the Board of Education. The Board of Education then deliberated and voted in a public board meeting.



"I am elated to have been chosen to serve the Euclid City School District and ultimately the community at large," says Marvin B. Jones, "there is so much passion and expertise that currently resides within the community and school district there is no doubt in my mind that we, together, are going to do some amazing things for our students and families as we relentlessly pursue excellence."

Mr. Jones began his career in 2001 teaching middle school science. Since then, he has served in administrative capacities including curriculum supervisor, Dean of Students, Athletic Director, Middle School Principal, Exploratory Principal, Director of Middle Schools, Alternative Education, and Hearing Officer. Currently, Mr. Jones is currently the Director of Secondary Education, Alternative Education and Hearing Officer for the Springfield City School District. The school district serves approximately 8,000 students. Mr. Jones earned his undergraduate degree from Tennessee State University, his master's in education from Marygrove College will earn his Ph.D. from the University of Dayton this May. He completed his principal licensure program at Wright State University and his superintendent licensure program at The University of Dayton. Marvin is married to Kanika and they have four children Kaitlynn (11), Myles (10), Madison (6) and Kaeden (5).



Bluestone Wins NEOEA Green School Award

If you haven't seen Bluestone Elementary School's garden, then you are truly missing out. It comes as no surprise that Bluestone was awarded the NEOEA Green School Award and a \$250 grant to help support the work taking place. The money from the NEOEA Green School Award will be used to buy this year's seeds, vegetable plants, and flowers, and allow us to buy some extras for the garden that will provide a benefit for years to come: 1) metal trellises so our cucumbers can grow off the ground and the students will be able to see them more easily, 2) perennial plants, 3) large plant pots, garden soil, and plant food, and 4) some garden decorations. The Bluestone garden harvest is shared with our school community and the Euclid Hunger Center.

Two Gold and One Bronze Medal for EHS College Tech Prep Students



Euclid High School student, Vanessa Billingsle earned a gold medal at the state Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Competition for her "Creative Cake." She will be awarded scholarships from Culinary schools.



Euclid High School Visual Communications students, Emma Splete and Charlotte Merat, competed in the SkillsUSA Ohio Visual Design Competition and earned the bronze medal. Emma and Charlotte came in third place out of the 18 teams competing.



Welding students, Nicholas Spaulding, earned a Gold Medal in the Job Skill Demo A at Skills USA and will be advancing to the national competition in June.

Ryan Eubank and his Welders with the help of our CNC Manufacturing program, created a mini bike that was the grand prize raffle this year.

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EHS Welding program partners with Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital

Giant adirondack chairs, cocktail tables, sconces, a stage, and a giant eagle were designed and created by the students in our Euclid High School Welding program as part of a community service project with UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital. Students began by soliciting donations for the materials needed to create these works of art. Students took time out of their day to tour UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital and learn more about how their work would benefit UH patients.

"I was so impressed by the insightful questions these students asked," said Elizabeth Denton Spencer, a Rainbow Babies & Children's Foundation trustee and Ride the Rainbow Committee chair who accompanied the students on their tour. "It's so wonderful to forge a connection between the work they're doing in their classroom on this project and Rainbow," she said.

The items were used help UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital further their mission of making care accessible to all as they hosted the "Ride the Rainbow" fundraiser at the Huntington Convention Center.

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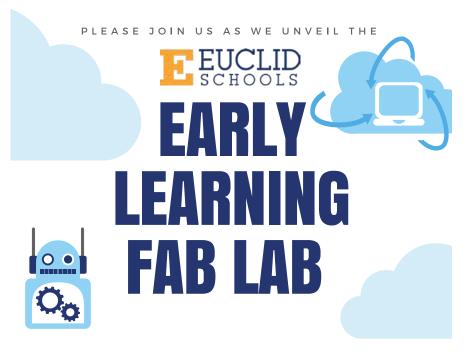
Mandarin Language Students earn "School Excellence Award" for EHS



Euclid High School students, Zayda Stormer and Maximus Brown, competed in the sixth "Ohio K-12 Chinese Speech & Essay Contest" at Cleveland State University. The event was organized by the Confucius Institute at Cleveland State University, the Ohio Association of Teachers of Chinese (OATC), and the Confucius Institute at The University of Akron.

Zayda Stormer earned first-place for Essay Competition at Middle School level. Zayda and Max brought back the Excellent Award Medals and award certificates for their great efforts in the speech competition. Based on their achievements, Euclid High School received the "School Excellence Award" during the 2018 Ohio Chinese Language Contests Award Ceremony.

For the past two years, Euclid High School students have won many awards from this annual competition, including four third-place honors for Essay Competition and sixteen Excellent Awards and Honorable Mentions.



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2018 Inductees

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In addition to honoring this year's inductees, we will celebrate the life of Mr. Joseph Mayer and his contributions to Euclid.

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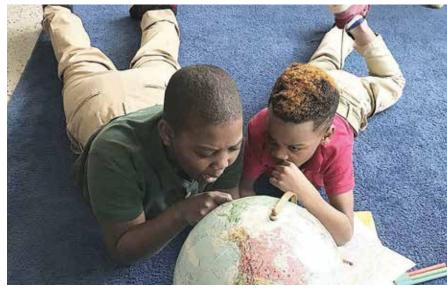
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Lowdown at Lakeshore Intergenerational School



A Junior Cluster student guides a Primary Cluster student to finding a solution to the problem of the day.



Family Group sponsored a family skate night at United Skates in Wickliffe. On May 12th, they are hosting an



Mrs. Kelley, of YouthMax, presents on bullying to our Junior Cluster students.

by Shawn Hallowell Our students and staff enjoyed their Spring It's hard to believe it's May already! With May comes the conclusion of another successful year of learning at Lakeshore Intergenerational School, our 4th as a member of the Collinwood community. On behalf of the entire Lakeshore community, THANK YOU to all of our mentors, Intergenerational partners, and community members throughout Collinwood, Euclid, and Cleveland for another amazing year of support, care, compassion, guidance and most important of all...fun! We simply couldn't achieve our mission of being spirted citizens and lifelong learners without

each and every one of you and all that you

While the year may be ending, we plan to end with a lot of fun and educational opportunities for our kids! Our students will celebrate the end of the year with their Intergenerational partners on their final IG visits of the year. All of our students will be attending a Lake County Captains baseball game (which was made possible through their Literacy Program). Junior Achievement will stop by to enthrall our students with economic activities. We will have a performance by the Cleveland School of the Arts Choir. Our field trip schedule is fully booked. We have trips planned to the

Cleveland MetroParks, the Great Lakes Science Center, Mitchell's Ice Cream, and the West Side Market. To end the year, we have two very exciting events. The first being our Spring Musical. This year we will be performing Aladdin. We are very happy and thrilled that La Salle Theater has agreed to partner with us as host for this event. The public is welcome to attend this showing on Thursday, April 17th at 6:00 pm. The last day of school for students is Friday, May 25th. We end every school year with field day; a fun afternoon of games and activities for the children. It's a wonderful way to celebrate the end of a year of learning and

Amaze and wonder in action at the Great Lakes Science Cente

For the 2018-19 school year: We are a growing school. If you (or anyone you know) is interested in becoming a reading/ math mentor or in having their child attend Lakeshore Intergenerational School, please contact Mr. Hallowell at 216-586-3872 with any questions/comments. If you're looking to enroll a child, please do so soon as our spots for next school year are filling up fast. Remember that you can always stay informed and learn more about us by visiting us on social media. We are on Instagram,



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Toastmasters Club Open House Thursday night, May 31 at the **Euclid Public Library**



www.toastmasters.org

by Greg Fondran

May 2018

Are you ready to move your career forward? Do you want to improve your ability to speak in front of groups of people? Are you looking for opportunities to work on your leadership skills in a safe, encouraging and fun environment? Look no further, because a Bailey Toastmasters Club meeting is the place to be! We're looking for new members and a great time to check us out is Thursday, May 31 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Euclid Public Library, when we'll have an Open House with a demonstration meeting. Refreshments will be

In addition to seeing how a Toastmasters meeting is run, you'll learn about Toastmasters' new Pathways learning experience, where each member virtually customizes their development program based upon their needs and interests. For example, if you want to build strategic leadership and conflict resolution skills, you can choose the Dynamic Leadership pathway. If you'd rather focus more on your public speaking skills, then Presentation Mastery is the path for you. Some of the other paths include motivation, coaching, persuasion and innovative planning, among others.

Toastmasters is a self-paced, cost effective way to improve your communication and leadership skills. We look forward to meeting you at our Open House on May 31st and sharing with you all that Toastmasters has to offer!

Euclid Hunger Center Named Food Resource Center

by Kay O'Donnell

April 14 marked the official kick-off of EHC's new role as a Food Resource Center. The Center was chosen by the Greater Cleveland Foodbank to fill this role. This event is the first step in the Hunger Center's ongoing efforts to collaborate with other organizations in Euclid and the surrounding areas, to introduce clients to the many resources that are available to assist them in the areas of employment, health, education, housing, etc. There are typically many different factors that contribute to food insecurity, and it is hoped that in addressing some of these other issues, EHC may assist clients in getting ever closer to

Organizations present at the kick-off included Euclid City Schools, the Greater

Cleveland Food Bank Outreach Program, Assure Phones, WIC, Euclid Hospital, Paramount, and inEducation. Many of these groups will be returning on a regular basis, to continue to offer support and guidance. Future groups will include Spire (GED classes), and "Stay-Well" programs which provide health screenings, as well as dental and vision screenings.

The Hunger Center is anxious to include additional resources that may be beneficial to citizens of Euclid. If you are a part of an organization that may be able to assist residents, and would be interested in setting up a table during one of the food distribution times on Wednesday or Saturday mornings, please contact Kay at the Hunger Center, at 216/731-3329, or euclidhungercenter.



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Euclid Honors Outgoing LCA President



Mary Czyzicki, center, accepting a proclamation from Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer-Gail, right, and Ward Six

by Kevin Jones

The Lakeland Civic Association expressed its gratitude to its president of twenty-four years, Mary Czyzycki. At its April 12 meeting. Euclid mayor Kirsten Holzheimer-Gail presented the honoree with a City Proclamation recognizing Mary for her many years of commitment and service to the City. The mayor was introduced by Ward Six Councilman John Wojtila who represents the LCA neighborhood and who spoke admiringly of Mrs Czyzycki's lifelong activism in Euclid and of his personal affection for her and the work they have done together over the years.

The April meeting was well attended by LCA members and by several members of Mrs Czyzycki's family.

Mayor Holzheimer-Gail's Proclamation recounted the highlights of Mary Czyzycki's achievements as an active Euclid citi-

Mary grew up on in Euclid with brothers Charles and Walter and parents Ralph and Ida Hill. Father Ralph was a Euclid councilman, recreation commissioner, and American Legion member. Mary Hill attended Shore High School in Euclid and was inducted into its Sports Hall of Fame. She later attended Arcadia University where she was inducted into its Sports Hall

Valley High School in Orwell where she met and married Edward Czyzycki. She, Ed, and daughters Ann and Jean moved to Birch Avenue in Euclid where they added Joan, Nancy, and John to the family. Mary returned to education, teaching physical education at St. Williams School in whose combined parish with St Roberts she is still

Mary took on the leadership role in the Lakeland Civic Association in 1995 and continues to organize many of its efforts.

Mary's daughter Ann Paratore recounted a story of the family's amazement a few years ago when Mary was in the process of repainting the neighborhood's fading red fire hydrants in spite of a reminder that she was in her eighties. That task, among other association activities are being taken up by generous association members and trust-

LCA will miss Mary's capable leadership along with the energy she provided and many association tasks she organized and performed. With Mary's continued presence and counsel LCA will continue as an active body of neighbors with concern for one another and as a voice within Euclid and the wider region. Hardly a farewell, the Lakeland Civic Association's recognition of Mary Czyzycki's decades of work serves as a commitment to continue all that she developed and maintained

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Synergy and Positive Energy for The Green House Co-working Space and **Euclid Chamber of Commerce**



room. Photo credit Randy Blackford



Sheila Gibbons, long time executive director of the Euclid Chamber of Commerce, look toward a new era of collaboration in her new



May 2018

Spring has arrived at The Green House in Euclid. Stop by for a cup of tea or coffee, front norch seating coming soon

by Pam Turos

If you want to feel good about the future of our community, just visit any Euclid Chamber of Commerce event or stop by their May 22 open house, celebrating their new office space at The Green House on Lakeshore

The energy and enthusiasm of the Euclid business community is contagious, and many of the Chamber's business members and its board of directors have been staunch advocates for our lakefront city for decades, including executive director, Sheila Gibbons. Gibbons has been a partner to Euclid businesses, large and small, since 2008, and July will mark her tenth year serving in this role. Gibbons has spent most of that

time planning alongside city leaders and community stakeholders for a new phase of growth and revitalization in Euclid, and now she looks forward to expanding access to Chamber services with a welcoming, centrally-located office.

"When we were given the opportunity to move to The Green House, we knew it

would be a perfect fit for us," says Gibbons. "An important part of our mission is to provide resources to entrepreneurs, and what better place to offer our services than in a shared workspace environment? We have been here for a couple months now and are so happy with our decision. We have offered a couple workshops here already and plan to

> shops, group events and training courses. The Euclid Chamber of Commerce's networking events, workshops and membership are open to everyone regardless of business location — and you don't actually have to own a business to participate in many of them. Their workshops and

No matter how much we depend on

email, the internet and social media for

communication and information sharing,

nothing can ever replace the value of one-

to-one interaction and relationships —

which Gibbons and The Green House count

as their greatest asset to Euclid residents

Cleveland business owner Tina Rice,

president of Rice Communications, credits

the power of networking during the Euclid

Chamber of Commerce annual awards

dinner for leading her to the new commu-

nity she has found at The Green House. "I

went from working out of my family room

to working in a beautiful space with like-

minded professionals and amenities similar

to a traditional office," she says. In addition

to its co-working space, The Green House

also offers a private conference for business

meetings and larger facilities for work-

and business owners.

mentoring programs are a cost-effective way for entrepreneurs and start-ups to get professional support during the early stages of business. After attending a free Small Business Finance workshop, Angela Chambers, a Good Cause Creative partner who also works at the Green House, felt that "the accountant leading the workshop made complex tax policies easy to understand for those who weren't educated in this field" and the information helped clarify some long-standing confusion around common bookkeeping challenges.

At 8:30 a.m. May 9, the Chamber of Commerce will team up with Euclid Public Library to offer the annual Small Business Breakfast. Attendees of this free event will receive a lot of valuable information on resources and funding available to small businesses at any stage, from start-up to an established business. Curious about the Euclid Chamber or want to check out our new office and The Green House? Sign up for our free Coffee Connections open house from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. May 22. To register for either event and see a list of our other upcoming dates, go to our website at euclidchamber.com/events

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by J. Norman Stark

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Community

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HELP Foundation and Upstage Players Builders Club Clean Up!





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Advocates (CASAs) for Youth

HELP Foundation never passes up an opportunity to better our community and we did just that by participating in The Big Clean 2018. For this year's project, our friends at Upstage Players Builders Club came out to help us clean up the mess winter left behind at our Oak Court home. The group helped pick up sticks, mulch and plant flowers, rake leave and even helped us set up our patio furniture! Everyone had a great time getting ready for spring. We would like to extend a BIG thank you to all the children and parents that came out to help us. We are very grateful for their time

by Stefanie Merkosky

and energy.

The Big Clean 2018 took place on Saturday, April 21st from 9am-noon. This year was the second year the city of Euclid took part in the city-wide competitive cleaning project. We look forward to participating

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Court Appointed Special Advocates FOR CHILDREN

CUYAHOGA COUNTY

by Michele Blazina

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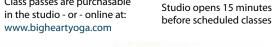
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Are you stuck with how your business performs?

May 9th, 8:30 am

Discover the road map to success for your small business. Hear from experts about how to get the information and guidance you need to start or grow your business. Q&A session

No cost to attend but registration required

Coffee Connections

Coffee Connections are FREE! Stop in, meet other business leaders and build your network.

May 22nd Euclid Chamber of Commerce, 20150 Lakeshore Blvd: Come see our new office at the Greenhouse! (8:30 - 9:30 am)

BiteSized Business Workshops

Workshops are FREE!

Financials for Small Business I: (June 12th, 8:30 - 9:30 AM) Will cover finances 101, startup expenses, cash vs. accrual accounting, separating personal and business expenses, budgets and financial planning.

Financials for Small Business II: (July 10th, 8:30am) Will cover creating a monthly, quarterly and annual accounting calendar, financial software, and financial reports and how to read them.

Lunch by the Lake

June 21st, 12:00 pm

Kick off the first day of summer with lunch by the lake and networking on the terrace of the Henn Mansion overlooking Lake Erie.

Registration for all Chamber events: euclidchamber.com/events



Looking for a new restaurant, a caterer, or perhaps a coupon for your favorite lunch spot? Check out euclidchamber.com/eatlocal



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-Normandy Towers

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Euclid Residents Invited to Celebrate Life at 2018 Walk to Remember



Bluestone Elementary 1455 E 260th St. 8PM

Elementary

Chardon Hills Elementary 1750 E 234th St. **AUG** 8PM



EUCLID SUMMER IN THE CITY. DETAILS @ WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SUMMERATSIMS





Back by popular demand, Outdoor Movie Nights will be popping up this summer at three different Euclid elementary schools. Presented by the City of Euclid and Euclid Schools, these events are fun and FREE for the



Enjoy a fun-filled day at the Zoo with family and friends while helping hospice families

Now in its seventh year, Hospice of the Western Reserve's 2018 Walk to Remember presented by Huntington Bank is the nonprofit agency's largest fundraiser of the year. Scheduled for Sunday, June 10 at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, the event is open to anyone wanting to celebrate the memory of loved ones and make a difference in the lives of those living with serious

Registration is \$12 for children, \$25 for adults and \$75 for a family (two adults + three children ages 4-12). Children 3 and under are free. Registration includes allday admission to the Zoo, snacks, a live band, family-friendly entertainment and much more! A brief Celebration of Life multimedia show will be held immediately following the Walk. To register or donate, visit hospicewr.org/walk. For more information or to submit photos of loved ones to include in the multimedia show, contact Bridget Murphy: 216.383.3715, bmurphy@



Patients living at the David Simpson Hospice House inpatient care unit on E. 185th St. are among those

Walk to Remember allows Hospice of the Western Reserve to offer services not reimbursed by insurance such as pediatric hospice care, grief and trauma support in local schools and a Moments to Remember wish fulfillment program for hospice patients. This year's Honorary Chairs are Dr. Akram Boutros, President and CEO, MetroHealth Systems, and Suzanne Aral-Boutros, president of the Suzanne Aral-Boutros Agency. Kristi Capel of Fox 8 News in the Morning is the event's Emcee and Honorary Media

For every \$100 raised or donated to the 2018 Walk to Remember, one of our adorable Comfort Buddies will be given to a Hospice of the Western Reserve patient. New this year: You can purchase your own Junior Comfort Buddy, for an additional \$25 donation. Junior Comfort Buddies can be picked up at Walk to Remember. More information about Comfort Buddies is available at hospicewr.org/walk.

Events

It's that time of year again, the Euclid Farmers' Market returns June 1st!



by Chris Cipriani

May 2018

The Euclid Farmers' Market will open on Friday, June 1st, and run through October 5th, with the hours of 3pm to 6:30pm. The market features Ohio vendors that are committed to fresh and superior quality produce, herbs, and baked goods. Returning vendor Ziemba's philosophy is to "pick the freshest veggies, provide courteous service and promote healthy food through fair prices". Burton Floral & Garden, Inc. has been in business since 1932, and begins the summer season offering beautiful flowers and hanging baskets, as well as fruits and

vegetables. The fun in visiting the Farmers Market is the variety you will find each week as the growing season changes. Shore Cultural Centre invites you to take part in a cherished Euclid summer tradition, and to spend some time in the heart of the city in beautiful TrianglePark.

The Euclid Farmers' Market takes place on the grounds of Shore Cultural Centre at 291 East 222nd Street, Euclid, OH. We are an SNAP/Ohio Direction Card participating market. For more information about the Farmers Market visit www.shoreculturalcentre.com or call 440-289-8578.

Euclid Hunger Center Ready to Kick off Summer!

by Kay O'Donnell

Mark your calendars for Thursday, June 21st, when Euclid Hunger Center will host it's 7th annual Kick Off Summer fundraiser at the Briardale Greens Pavilion. The event will feature a picnic-style dinner, adult

beverages, music, and some fabulous raffle prizes. Tickets will be available beginning May 1st. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Kay at the Hunger Center, at 216-731-3329, or euclidhungercenter@gmail.com.

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Free Rain Barrels and More at **Euclid's First Eco-Friendly Fair**



by Allison Lukacsy-Love

Do you want to plant your yard with na-

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Do you have an interest in sustainable Do you compost or recycle - or want to

learn how to start? Do you pick up litter? Do you love Lake

If you answered "yes!" to any of the above questions, you should definitely come to the City of Euclid's first Eco-Friendly Fair at Euclid City Hall on Saturday, June 9th from 10am to 1pm. This free event is presented by Keep Euclid Beautiful and will offer something for everyone – whether you are just beginning to set up a garden with native plants or are already a master recycler (yes that's a thing and the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District will tell you more!). Whether you live in an apartment or own a home, all Euclid residents can make a difference and improve the health of our environment.

The event features presentations, workshops, interactive table displays for kids and adults. A featured workshop is Rain Barrel building with the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District. Meet the new Euclid Creek Watershed Program Manager, Elizabeth Hiser, who will teach participants how to harvest stormwater.

While the workshop is free to attend and listen (just like all the other programs at the Eco-Friendly Fair), if you want a rain barrel, you must pre-register by June 1st, 2018 at http://www.cuyahogaswcd.org/ events/2018/06/09/rain-barrel-workshop--euclid. Rain barrels cost \$60. BUT, the first 10 registrants who live in the City of Euclid in the NEORSD service area GET A FREE RAIN BARREL! Please register by phone if you think you qualify at 216-524-6580x1002.

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Learn best practices from local organizations including the Cuyahoga County Department of Sustainability, City of Cleveland Water, Urban Renaissance Farms, Friends of Euclid Creek, Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District, Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, Gardenscapes by Joanna, LLC, Alliance for the Great Lakes Adopt-A-Beach, Drink Local Drink Tap, Bike Euclid, Bluestone Heights, Rust Belt Riders, and Cleveland Metroparks.

For a schedule of workshops and presentations, please check out www.facebook.com/KeepEuclidBeautiful/ under the events tab. Information tables will be set up in the lobby of City Hall throughout the event, so drop by anytime between 10am and 1pm.

For more information or questions, please contact keepeuclidbeautiful@ cityofeuclid.com





Faith

"Faith in the City"

I have always enjoyed the writings of Kahlil

Gibran and I am especially fond of The Prophet. On the topic of religion, he writes, ". . . Is not religion all deeds and all reflection? Who can separate his faith from his actions, or his belief from his occupations? Who can spread his hours before him, saying, "This for God and this for myself; This for my soul, and this other for my body?

Until very recently, I worked in a church setting so it's been pretty easy to live by that philosophy. I am fortunate to know many people that work in the secular world, as I do now, that feel the same way. They have chosen occupations that allow them to live out their faith. They bring their faith and beliefs to their jobs in the way they treat people, in the way they perform their jobs, in the decisions that they make, etc.

Last month I had the pleasure of organizing the Community Stations of the Cross as I have for the last 10 years. I am always moved by the willingness of our community leaders to participate, many of them doing so on their own time since City Hall and the schools are closed on Good Friday. In Euclid we are fortunate to have leaders that embrace the faith community. They recognize the many benefits that churches bring to the community: feeding and clothing those in need, educating children and adults, providing activities for youth and senior citizens, mentoring, etc. They appreciate the values under which these religious organization operate.

In April of 2016, Mayor Gail invited all the churches in Euclid to what was called a "Faith in the City" breakfast. This breakfast was held at Our Lady of the Lake Church and was well attended. The purpose of that meeting was to enjoy fellowship and to have a conversation about how everyone could work together to create a strong, vibrant and engaged Euclid.

From that first meeting two years ago, the "Faith in The City" group was formed. This group tries to meet monthly. A different church hosts each meeting. Because we value our relationship and wanted to formalize it, we created a membership agreement which

"As communities of faith we believe that our beliefs are the rich source from which we draw our commitments to serve, support and benefit each other. We recognize that responding to The Lord requires us to strive together for the common good and the pursuit of justice for all. Only when our neighbors' welfare becomes our own concern can we be truly faithful to God.

So consistent with our shared beliefs, we have formed the group called "Faith in the City" to promote understanding and cooperation among the Churches in Euclid so that through the work of The Holy Spirit greater understanding, acceptance, cooperation and friendship can be achieved.

We commit to working diligently together

and building relationships with the City of Euclid and other community partners to make Euclid a "place of welcome" for all, demonstrating a spirit of genuine concern and a true love of neighbor.

These goals will be achieved though collaborative prayer and worship, reflection, participation in ecumenical meetings and activities, dialogue and cooperation which promote ecumenical works of charity.

We recognize that although we may not agree on all things, we can and should work together on those things that our varied faiths permit. Together we place our trust and hope in The Lord, that He will bless and guide our efforts and help us to grow in faith, love, peace, joy, wisdom and understanding." Current members include: Cathedral Wor-

ship Center, Celebration United Methodist Church, Church of the Epiphany Episcopal Church, Covenant Baptist Church, East Shore United Methodist Church, Faith Baptist Church, Grace Community Seventh Day Adventist Church, Imani United Church of Christ, Lake Shore Christian Disciples of Christ Church, Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, River of Life Ministries, St. John of the Cross Catholic Church and Ss. Robert and William Catholic Church. In addition to supporting the City of Euclid, the ministers in this group provide support and encouragement for each other as well.

Faith In the City has been active in a variety of ways. Currently we are creating a Facebook Page and a calendar of events. Some of the events on our calendar have been created by our group or one of our churches and others are established events that we will support and participate in. You don't have to belong to one of our member churches to participate in our events. Everyone is welcome. We enjoy working with and partnering with other organizations. One of the events that we are proudest of is the Peace March that was held

Other events on our calendar include: MLK Event at Lakeshore Christian in January, Community Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of the Lake, Prayer Vigil for Victims of Gun Violence at Church of the Epiphany, The Big Clean sponsored by the City of Euclid, National Day of Prayer May 3 at noon at City Hall, Memorial Day Parade on May 28, The 200TH Street Stroll on June 2, Healthy Temples at Covenant Baptist in partnership with the Cleveland Clinic June 9 - 13, National Night Out Against Crime - August 7, location TBD, Potluck Picnic in September (date and location to be determined), Pet Blessing - Church of the Epiphany in October, Thanksgiving Prayer Service in November and the Euclid Holiday Celebration on November 30 at Shore Cultural Center.

We are grateful to Mayor Gail for convening that first meeting. Working together, we

A Journey of Spiritual Transformation

Do you believe in miracles? Many people have experienced amazing events in their lives and yet hesitate to call it a miracle. Why is that? And, why at certain times do wonderous things happen? Many would say it is God's gift while others would attribute their miracle, an unexplainable event, as just being lucky. Awakening to the universal laws, the spiritual dynamics of cause and effect can help clarify the greatness of the gift. For it is a gift received for goodness that is sent forward. Let me offer an example. In the movie "Pay it Forward", we are introduced to the circular flow of generosity.to those we know or don't know

personally. When you extend a kindness, kindness is returned to you. A simple smile is often returned with a smile. Just that simple. Maybe? When there is a sense of joy in our hearts there is a natural desire to share it. So we smile. We are designed that way. Our Creator was so wise to show us how to receive internal and external, spiritual and material gifts. Awaken to the miracles that happen every day and more will come when you acknowledge them and are thankfull for the gift. Learn more metaphysical insights, seen and unseen, through classes held at the Rishis Institute of Metaphysics, 21933 Euclid Ave. 216 486

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If you have been away from the Catholic Church for any reason, it's time to come home. Becaus separation from the Catholic Church is spiritual date. Father Ioe will welcome you with open arms. You will make his day. Tell Father Joe that "Vince from the Barber Shop sent you".

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on Thursday, May 17, 2018 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The town hall is yet another opportunity for community members, leaders, law enforcement and treatment providers to come together to fight the opiate epidemic together.

Yuko, representing Ohio's 25th Senate District that includes parts of both Cuyahoga and Lake Counties. State Senator Kenny Yuko has devoted his career to strengthening Northeast Ohio and improving the lives of those who call it home.

Thousands die each year due to heroin overdoses that devastate families and communities. The town hall will give community members, substance use professionals and those struggling with addiction and their families an opportunity to openly discuss their addiction which can turn into immediate treatment.

We will have a panel of experts from the judicial system, law enforcement and treatment providers to answer questions and give information pertaining to the epidemic.

The town hall is open to the public and free of charge. For questions please email marketing@moorecounseling.com or call

Public Tours

Drinking Water Week with Free

Cleveland Water Celebrates

by John Goersmeyer

Have you ever wonder what it takes to make clean drinking water? How does the water get from Lake Erie to your home? What chemicals are used to process water from start to finish? On May 12th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., these questions along with many others can be answered by our dedicated Cleveland Water employees, when you join us for our Drinking Water Open House at the Garrett A. Morgan Water Treatment Plant, 1245 West 45th Street, Cleveland,

Themed, "Protect the Source," Cleveland's Drinking Water Open House is not only a unique opportunity for our professionals and the communities we proudly serve to come together but also a chance to educate the public about our world's most reliable drinking water.

For years, Cleveland Water has hosted this outreach informative celebration to recognize and emphasize the importance of water, the vital role water plays in our daily lives, how essential water is to the quality of life and is critical to the health of

Our Morgan Water Treatment Plant, built in 1916, was originally named The Division Avenue Pumping and Filtration Plant. Additionally, the Morgan Plant was constructed on the site where the water system originated in 1856. Do you know who this treatment plant was renamed after? Come find the answer to this question and learn some more interesting facts about our Morgan Plant as you take a guided tour, try to win some prizes, learn about the quality of our water, and enjoy a day full of Cleveland Water festivities. To register for a tour, visit http://www.clevelandwater.com/

By Nathalie Evans

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Slam Dunk Season: Euclid's Quintin **Dove Earns All-American Honors Playing for Tri-C**



by John Goersmeyer John Horton

Euclid's Quintin Dove was named a firstteam NJCAA All-American, adding to the postseason honors for the Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) men's basketball

The sophomore forward was previously named the Ohio Community College Athletic Conference Player of the Year. He was the only Ohio player named to the NJCAA All-American first, second or third team in

Dove put together an exceptional season for the Challengers, leading the team in:

- Points per game (18.9)
- Offensive rebounds per game (4.2)
- Field goal percentage (65.5) • His 65.5 percent shooting from the field

was the fourth-highest in Division II nationwide

Led by a stellar sophomore class of Dove, Wade Lowman, Waheem Lowman, Devon Robinson and Larenz Thurman, the Challengers racked up a 32-2 record during the 2017-2018 season.

The team won the OCCAC title and finished seventh at the NJCAA Division II National Tournament in March.

Dove will graduate from Tri-C in May with an Associate of Arts degree. He will continue his education and his college basketball career at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he hopes to major in engineering. He's scheduled to play in an NJCAA All-Star Game in Las Vegas on

Community

Euclid High Schools Alumni Association - Making Connections



Hundreds of alumni gathered to pay their last respects to Euclid High School's E-Room.

by Greg Fondran

At its core every alumni association is about making connections. Since 1991, the Euclid Public Schools Alumni Association (EPSAA) has been making connections, between alumni, current students and the Euclid Schools. At the end of April, the EPSAA participated in two significant "reunion" events that brought together hundreds of people to reconnect with friends, teammates, and most importantly, memories. On Friday night, April 27th, head Euclid football coach Jeff Rotsky, his coaching staff and about 100 members of the middle and high school football teams, met football alumni members from the 1970s through the 2010s. Sharing pizza, soda, and a few "war stories," it was a unique opportunity to connect current

student -athletes with those who donned the blue and gold uniform before them. As a celebration of the tradition of excellence in high school football, it was fitting to have a few Euclid Schools Sports Hall of Famers in the crowd, including Tom Wandersleban '77 (Michigan), Antoine "Tony" Fisher ('97, Notre Dame, Green Bay Packers, St. Louis Cardinals) and Tom Banc, former coach of some of the most successful teams and accomplished student-athletes Euclid has fielded in its 110 years of playing football.

The next day, during the E-Room Farewell event (the multi-purpose room will be torn down in June to make way for construction of a new, consolidated middle school), hundreds of eager alumni flooded the E-Room to take one last look at the place where homecoming dances, proms,

Alumni from the 1980s gathered with current members of the Euclid High School football team to share experiences, as well as pizza and soda in the E-Room.

study halls and other memories were created. Alumni who hadn't connected with classmates in years ran into old friends and shared a story or two about the E-Room or time spent together at Euclid High School. Realizing the strength of pride and affection of Euclid's alumni for their alma mater, the event was conceived and planned by the Euclid Schools administration. Current students scooped out root beer floats and served popcorn from the concession stand (the one with the really cool Panther mosaic!). Nostalgic alumni reserved bricks from the future demolition of the E-Room and commemorative brick pavers were sold for future installation at the new football stadium. Looking toward the future, the EPSAA looks forward to planning and participating in similar reunion-like events, where alumni can reconnect with the places and people who inhabit some of their most cherished memories.

The EPSAA is a 501(c)(4) non-profit organization that seeks to strengthen the ties between our Euclid alumni, the Euclid community, and our Euclid Schools. If you're a Euclid graduate, including the former Central and Shore High Schools, and want to learn more about the Association and its activities, visit our website at euclidschools.org/alumni.aspx. If you would like to get involved with the Association, particularly fundraising, reunion support, archiving memorabilia, and traditional and social media communications, please e-mail your interests to alumni@euclidschools.org or call the office at (216) 797-

Public Notice

The City of Euclid, in conjunction with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (OEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has applied for a Unified Hazard Mitigation Program Project for shoreline stabilization and erosion mitigation as part of the Euclid Waterfront Improvements Plan.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), EO 11988 and EO 11990, public notice is required of any federal actions that affect floodplains or wetlands. All necessary permits will be obtained prior to construction and completion of the project.

The objectives of the Unified Hazard Mitigation Program are to prevent future losses of lives and property, to implement state or local Hazard Mitigation plans, to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during immediate recovery from disaster, and to provide

funding for identified and approved hazard mitigation projects.

Public participation is encouraged. Interested parties and/or citizens are invited to comment on the project either in writing to:

Duane Castaldi, Regional Environmental Officer FEMA Region V 536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor Chicago, IL 60605

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Euclid emerges victorious with nearly Lifting Caps on Therapy Provides 200 bags of trash collected by volunteers at 'The Big Clean 2018'

May 2018



Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail and multiple city employees volunteered to assist Keep Euclid Beautiful with the registration, cleanup, and after party at Villa Angela St Joseph High School (VASJ).

"I have received phone calls from (people) that want to make a neighborhood cleanup a regular thing. What a way to make a positive impact," Councilperson Hill continued, "I am so glad to be a part of such an awesome thing.

Eleven year-old Adam Turos and his sister Lauren Turos, eight, could not agree more. They were astounded by the litter in their neighborhood. "There were a million cigarette butts and I wish people dropped as much money as they do trash," commented Adam, who found \$1 near Mary Mavec school. Lauren noted an especially large quantity of cigarette butts in the garden by CVS on Lakeshore Boulevard. The most interesting thing she found was a smashed Dora microphone.

After a morning spent picking up litter, Adam observed that the City could install "ash trays on the sidewalks and corners." It is a great observation, and a project that the City of Euclid will roll out later this year thanks to a Cigarette Litter Prevention Program grant from Keep America Beautiful.

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If you participated in the cleanup, please share your photographs on social media using the hashtag #thebigclean2018 and/or by sending photographs to keepeuclidbeautiful@cityofeuclid.com

'The Big Clean 2018' was a partnership of the City of Euclid, Cleveland Councilperson Michael Polensek, Keep Euclid Beautiful, Euclid Beach Adopt-A-Beach, and the Litterbugz. Thank you to the many volunteers who made 'The Big Clean 2018' a success, and especially to our sponsors who provided monetary and in-kind donations to support the marketing, event costs, and raffle prizes for participants. Our sponsors this year included: VASJ, Overlook Photography, radio station WINT 1330AM/101.5FM, Ganley Subaru Wickliffe, Mannick & Smith Group, Euclid Hospital, Lakeshore Coffee House, Infield Chiropractic, Jakprints, Simon's Market, Dunkin Donuts, Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, Council President Charlene Mancuso, Adelina Easley, Great Scott Tavern, Chili Peppers, Brenda Hall, Power Alarm, Eaton Family Credit Union, Angela Little and Tom Jeschenig, Bagel Buddies, Shade Tree Commission, Big Heart Yoga, Cebars Tavern, Irie Jamaican Kitchen, Beachland Ballroom and Tavern, and Citizen Pie.

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Relief for Medicare Beneficiaries

Effective January 1, 2018, Medicare beneficiaries will be able to continue their physical, speech or occupational therapy indefinitely as long as their doctor confirms their need for therapy. This change in benefits is the result of recent action by congress permanently repealing payment caps on those services through the Bipartisan Budget Act

The cap which had been in place for the past 20 years limited the amount Medicare would cover for medically necessary rehabilitation therapies to \$2010 for physical therapy and speech language pathology services combined and \$2010 for occupational therapy services.

What does this mean for patients?

Most people who have suffered a stroke, hip fracture or other injury require therapy to regain their ability to speak, walk or manage day to day tasks. Patients who suffer from chronic conditions including arthritis, Parkinson's disease or multiple sclerosis need ongoing therapy to maintain their abilities. Those who received these therapies have often had to dip into their savings to cover the costs once they reached the cap. Repealing the caps provides many with protection from arbitrary limits on what Medicare will pay for their therapy.

Ongoing rehabilitative care helps many older Americans, especially those with chronic conditions, to maintain their independence and remain at home rather than go to a nursing home or other long-term

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This change applies to people in traditional Medicare as well as those with private Medicare Advantage policies. If you have a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO), check with your plan for information about your plan's guidelines. For a complete explanation and details concerning your Medicare coverage, call 1-800-Medicare or visit their website at www.Medicare.gov.

If Medicare denies coverage because it determines therapy is not medically necessary, you have the right to appeal their decision. In addition, Medicare's coverage rules for outpatient therapy do not apply if vou are receiving therapy as part of a Medicare-covered SNF stay or if you are receiving Medicare-covered home health

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Bob's Corner



by Bob Payne How will you be remembered?

She came into the senior center a few times a week. She barely said a word to anyone. As a rule, she intentionally sat by herself. She didn't complain, she never had much to say, and she caused no trouble. She was encouraged, but she never participated in anything that required more of an investment than a hello and a half-hearted smile. Her features were average and her clothing unremarkable. She suddenly quit coming to the center, but nobody really noticed. We learned that she died, alone. Nobody knew her, and nobody missed her.

I am sure this strikes you as incredibly sad. It is, but please let it serve as more than just a gloomy story.

The truth is that no one can make you interact with others. People aren't going to take you by the hand and force you to get involved and to have fun. No one can compel you to enjoy your life. It's all up to you.

Want to lead a full life? Then purposely live and collect those moments that are meaningful. That means doing things that are fulfilling and important to you; noteworthy activities that express your joy, your exuberance for life, and the essence of who you are. Get off the couch. Put down the cellphone. Get involved. Do things. My friend, there will be no significant change in your life unless you choose to make it. It's a choice, a decision about how you are going to live this very day.

If you wait, today will lead into tomorrow, which leads into another day, another week, another month and another year. Then, one day, you won't be able to do the things that you can today. So please, don't wait. Push yourself a little bit outside of your comfort zone (your usual routine behavior) and connect with other people. Have a new experience. Do something memorable.

Life is all about the moments we create!

Bob Payne, Manager

Bob also has a personal blog you can find at www.siftedsoul.com.

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CLOSED



There will be no afternoon activities on Friday, May 18th. The Center will be closed on Friday, May 28th for Memorial Day

BINGO



Tuesday, May 1st @ 1:00 PM Speed Bingo sponsored by Manor Care. Tuesday, May 22nd @ 1:00 PM Fun Bingo sponsored by Mt. St. Joe's.

Ring Toss Tournament

Thursday, May 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st @ 12:45PM Come and enjoy your peers in the dining room in a ring toss tournament.

Chess Tournament



Friday, May 4th, 11th, & 25th @ 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.

Painted Rocks

Friday, May 4th, 11th, & 25th @ 1:00 PM in the Craft Room Please join us in the Craft Room to paint rocks to be placed around



Cinco De Mayo Friday, May 4th @ 11:00AM Wickliffe

Country Place will join us to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with chips, salsa and cheese.

Zumba with Stephanie Tuesday, May 8th & 29th @ 1:00PM Come join us in the Library for exercising fun with Stephanie from Grande Pointe.

Fireside Chat

Tuesday, May 8th @ 11:00AM Come and join in with other members and have a Fireside Chat. Open Forum.

Euclid High School Choir

Wednesday, May 9th @ 11:00AM Our very own Euclid High School choir will return to delight us with their beautiful voices.

Breakfast with Grande Pointe

Wednesday, May 9th @ 10:00AM Join us for muffins or bagels, fresh fruit, coffee and tea. Please sign-up at the front desk by May 7th.

Name That Tune

Thursday, May 10th @ 11:00AM Come join in the fun naming the oldies. Sign up at the front desk.



Breakfast with Bob

Thursday, May 10th @ 8:30AM will be at Maria's Restaurant, 22578 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid Ohio 44123. You must have your OWN transportation

Euclid High Jazz Choir

Friday, May 11th @ 11:00AM Come and be entertained by the Euclid High School Jazz Choir.

The Accordionman

Tuesday, May 15th @ 11:00AM Ralph the Accordionman will come in and entertain us with his accordion skills.



BIRTHDAY DAY

Wednesday, May 16th @ 11:45 AM Cupcakes and ice cream sponsored by Manor Care, Mayfield.



Join the Discussion at: www.euclidobserver.com

Thursday, May 17th @- 10:30AM Join us in the Library for Fun For Foodies. All participants please bring your favorite dish. Sign-up at the front desk.

Pool Tournament

Friday, May 18th @ 9:20AM. All members are welcome!

Paint & Sip

Thursday, June 14th @ 5:00PM to 7:00PM. Sponsored by Grande Pointe. Paint supplies are furnished. Fun, fun, fun! Feel free to bring side dishes. Sign up with

Tommalene or Monica. Cost \$20.00 per

May 2018

TRIPS



Seneca Niagara Casino & Resort

Thursday, May 17th-18th A new trip opportunity sponsored by Euclid Senior Programs and the YMCA. See Monica to Sign UP.

Cooking with Chef Randy

Thursday, May 17th Leave the Center around 1:00PM to return around 3:00PM. Enjoy a cooking demonstration with Chef Randy Eagles. FREE to members only. Register at the front desk.

Senior Day 2018

Thursday, May 24th Leave the Center around 9:00AM and return around 2:30PM

Jack Horseshoe Casino

Thursday, May 31st Leave the Center around 9:30AM and return around 3:00PM. Cost \$20 members, \$30 non-members

Presque Isle

Tuesday, June 5th, August 7th & October 9th. Leave the Center at 7:30AM and returning at 5:00PM. Cost: \$27.00

Lake County Captains vs. Lansing Lugnuts

Wednesday, June 13th

The bus will pick you up from the Center around 9:30AM. Includes behind the scenes

tour and free lunch. \$48.00 members, \$63.00 non-members

Nautica Trip

Wednesday, June 27th

Leave the senior center around 9:30 a.m. and return to the center approximately 3:00 p.m. Sign up at the front desk. Cost \$35.00 Members, \$45.00 Non-members

Taste of Holmes County Bus Tour Friday, July 13th.

Bus will stop at several attractions in Holmes County. Also includes lunch at Der Dutchman

restaurant. Bus will depart from the Center at 7:00AM to return at 6:00PM. Cost: \$89.00 per person See Monica to sign up.

Discover Pittsburgh

Friday, August 10th. Join us for a fun filled day in Pittsburgh. Bus will depart from the Center at 7:00 AM

return at 7:00PM. Cost: \$109.00 per person See Monica to sign up.

SPEAKERS

Villa Angela St. Joseph's

Tuesday, May 1st @ 10:00AM Students will come in and mingle with our

Grande Pointe

Wednesday, May 2nd @ 11:00AM A representative will be here to share with us information on new programs at Grande

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New Van Celebration

Wednesday, May 2nd @ 12:30PM

Living in the Moment

May 2018

Wednesday, May 3rd @ 11:00AM Come join Bob in the Library for another riveting presentation.

University Hospitals Seidman Center

Monday, May 7th @ 11:00AM UH will be onsite to talk with us about Lung Cancer.

Community Police Talk

Thursday, May 10th @ 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. Also, if you have old medication that you need to discard, they will take it as long.

Grief Support Group

Thursday, May 10th @ 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.

Scam Talk

May 14th @ 11:00AM A representative from Daniel Seink will give us advice regarding scams.

Senior Veterans

Friday, May 25th @ 11:00AM Senior Veteran's Aid will be onsite to give a talk regarding veteran aid and attendance.

Slovene Home

Monday, May 21st @ 11:00AM A representative from Slovene Home will be here to talk with us about our nutritional health.

Kemper House

Wednesday, May 23rd @ 11:00AM Come join us for a talk on leading a brain healthy lifestyle.

SERVICES Computer Lab

Wednesday, May 2nd & 30th @ 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon. Cynthia Lewis will be available in the Computer Room to answer questions. Drop in and meet her.

Blood Drive

Thursday, May 3rd @ 1:30 to 6:30PM Blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross in the Dining Room Annex.

Lisa Lee's Reflexology Friday, May 4th & 18th @ 10AM - 12PM.



Come for a relaxing reflexology session with Lisa. Fee \$10.00 Sign up at the Front

DPS

Tuesday, May 8th @ 10:00AM - 1:30PM Have a question for



an attorney regarding estate planning, wills, trusts, Medicaid Eligibility, Long Term Care Needs, or Veterans Benefits? The at-

torneys 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.

Open Card Play -Wednesday @ 1:00 PM.

Bingo – Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 12:45PM. No Bingo on May 18th & 28th.

Pool Tournament - Friday, May 18th @ 9:20AM April winner John Rogoski.

Adult Coloring - Tuesday @ 1:00PM

EDUCATION -SOCIALIZATION

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

Arts & Crafts - Wednesday @ 10:00AM -

Art with Jack - Tuesday @ 12:45PM

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/

Card games, Pinochle, Bridge & Rummy.

- Full-time
- Must have at least 1 yr. experience with moderately to severely emotionally disturbed children who have been unable to function effectively in a home setting.
- of children in daily living routines
- Requirements: H.S. Diploma or GED

Call (216) 688-4117

Cleveland Christian Home

- **Full-time**
- addressing their mental health
- and support needs
- counseling, social work, or
- providing therapeutic services Requirements: Masters Degree,

Call (216) 688-4117

Get the FACTS on Medicare



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

Wednesday, June 13 • 7-8:30 pm **Euclid Library**

Thursday, June 14 · 6:30-8 pm **Concord Community Center** 440-639-4650 to register

Mentor Library

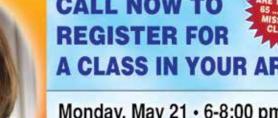
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Medicare Advantage Plans **Dental & Vision Insurance** Life Insurance

440-255-5700

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.

Health Insurance and Rx Plans.



216-261-5300 to register

Tuesday, July 10 • 6-8:30 pm 440-255-8811 to register

Medicare Supplements Medicare Part D Plans Individual & Group Health

www.mutskoinsurance.com

Join the Discussion at: www.euclidobserver.com

Election Day Tuesday, May 8th Primary Election Day.

Book Club

Monday, May 14th @ 1:15 PM

Friday, May 18th @ 12:45 - 1:45PM

Friday, May 18th @ 10:50-11:15 AM

World by Paulette Jiles.

Memorial Service

Post Office On Wheels

BENEFITS CHECK-UP

cial services available.

front desk. FREE

the front desk.

Computer Class

grams to Participate.

AC \$ 3.00 per class.

The book for the month is News of the

Honoring our members who have passed

Purchase stamps, money orders & packag-

ing supplies. Mail letters & packages. Spe-

Monday, May 21st @ 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Benefits Check – Up is a program to screen

adults 60+ for over 70 money- saving pro-

grams: 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

Monday, May 21st from 1:00PM to 2:30PM

Interested in learning Computer Basics?

Join us in the computer room. Sign up at

Tuesday, May 29th @ 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 Pro-

FREE FRESH PRODUCE

HEALTH AND FITNESS

Chair Yoga - Monday at 10:00 AM

Yoga - Thursday at 9:00 AM

Annex Room \$ 3.00 per class.

Tai-Chi – Tuesday at 3:30 PM

Billie Exercise Class - (Chair)

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00AM

No line dance May 24th.

Free Blood Pressure Checks

way until your number is called.

Thursday, 10:00-11:00AM

Silver Sneakers Class -

FUN AND GAMES

Monday, May 7th @ 10:30AM

BEADING CLASS:

FREE to members

12:30PM-2:30PM

Computer Room.

11:00AM

Line Dance - Thursday, 1:00PM.

Six week series - \$24, Drop-ins \$6.00 per

Ballroom Dancing - Monday & Wednesday, 1:00PM No ballroom dancing 5/28

Please give your name to the volunteer who

will issue you a number. Wait in the hall-

Chair Exercise to Music - Wednesday,

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:00 -

10:50AM -Free with Silver Sneakers mem-

Quilting Class - 2nd & 3rd Thursday @

Pinochle Tournament - Friday @ 1:00PM.

on. No afternoon activities at the Center.

Call 289-2985 or sign up

at the front desk for an

appointment. Fee - \$20.00

Podiatry Wednesday, May 9th & 23rd @ 9:20 to 11:00 AM

Crochet- Tuesday @ 10:00AM

Sewing - Thursday @ 10:00AM

Nutritional Programs

seconds. You can help to make a difference.

Cleveland Christian Home Now Hiring

Residential Treatment Specialists

- **Provides supervision/management**

Now Hiring

Residential Therapists

- Provides and/or coordinates therapeutic and related services to individuals aimed at
- At least 1 yr. experience
- LSW/LISW or LPC/LPC

Euclid Arts

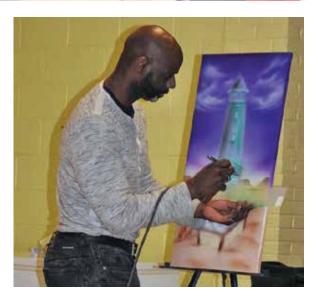
Euclid Art Association's April Meeting Featured Euclid Artist, Don Wells

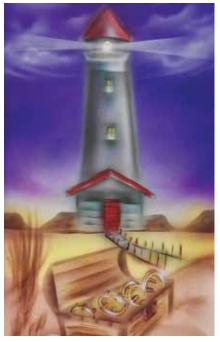












by Susan Herrle

At our April meeting, we featured local Euclid artist, Don Wells, demonstrating Airbrush Techniques in acrylics. Don called his presentation, "Treasures at Night". As he proceeded to paint on his prepared canvas of purple and yellow, the hidden treasures of balance and symbolism began to appear. His tool of choice is an airbrush, a small air-operated tool that sprays paint on a surface by means of compressed air, but he has not given up on the use of traditional brushes or even his finger. Working off a tank of compressed air (using CO2 for less noise), he first tested the air and paint flow. He then began building structure on the painting, free hand, using white paint to start with. The further away his airbrush was from the canvas, the softer the rendering. For a finer line, his whole arm moved, up and down, 1/8 to 1/2-inch from the canvas. "By starting off soft, you are not committed yet", he said. Don likes acrylics



(water based with low VOC) because "you can continue to layer over until you are satisfied that you have given your picture life and depth." Don displayed a high level of energy and enthusiasm as he painted. We sat in quiet amazement as we watched Don paint, interacting with him by asking many questions.

There is a whole new vocabulary of terms and techniques to learn with airbrushing. Don used a 'dagger' stroke, moving in and out over a range to build up depth. He also used fluffy fiber found in pillows, as a stencil to create cloud structures. To help define edges, he used a piece of mylar to guide the paint for a straight edge or a french curve for a different effect. He even asked young Jaden to tear a piece of tissue paper in a zigzag shape that he used to create mountains. He would stop occasionally to clear out the siphon or snap on a different color. To get a gray color, he 'chased' white through the gun with black. "You only get a few sec-

onds to chase out the gray", he said. And, you will need good 'trigger' control to avoid pitfalls of overpainting. Don said, "Feel comfortable and have fun. If you make a mistake, just paint over it!"

Don started his airbrushing career working at Randall Mall for a local shop called Button's and Tees. That's where he developed a love for acrylics and other unconventional techniques. Not only does he express his passion for airbrushing on a variety of mediums, he also digitally creates amazing t-shirt designs. Don now devotes a substantial amount of his time teaching students this custom trade at Ohio Technical College. In addition, he recently started teaching airbrush techniques at Shore Cultural Centre. He is a trained commercial artist and he's been airbrushing for over 28 years. Don opened Wells Creation (21936 Lakeshore Blvd just west of the Lake Shore Coffee House) in Euclid over 20 years ago and is now considering a move to the Shore



We had an amazing crowd. Over 45 members and guests attended the demonstration and enjoyed refreshments afterwards. Thank you, Kelley and Mary, for providing all those delicious desserts and other goodies. We enjoyed pumpkin walnut bread with cream cheese frosting (a crowd favorite), homemade spinach dip, chicken salad, deviled eggs, peanut butter fudge, assorted veggies, cheese and crackers and more. You made the Easter Bunny proud!

Our president, Lee, explained why Lirpa Loof couldn't make it to the April meeting. She accidentally grabbed a bottle of magnetic ink thinking it was juice and now she is stuck to the ceiling of the space station. To learn more about the adventures of Ms. Loof, check out our April newsletters at EuclidArt.com.

