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Celebrating Euclid’s 150 Year Old Miracle



By Greg Miller

Did you ever wonder why thousands of pilgrims come yearly to our “Lady of Lourdes Shrine” here in Euclid? What is its special allure? Why and Who reclassified it as a “National” shrine when it started as a “Local” shrine? Why is it in Euclid? Why on that particular hillside? In other words... What is the backstory behind our “Lourdes Shrine”? And, is the legend true? Was it built there to preserve a spot where the Virgin Mary appeared to the owner of that hillside property 150 years ago?

Months of research into these questions and that legend by archivists from six different archives (led by the Euclid Historical Society) has unearthed credible evidence regarding the legendary miracle.

The 150-year-old miracle: In 1870, the hillside rising from Euclid Ave. to Chardon

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Euclid Seeks to Modernize Housing Stock with Open-concept and Infill



Originally published in Freshwater Cleveland

by Emily Holody

From the exterior, the new house at 18930 Pasnow Drive looks much like many of the other homes surrounding it. Recently built by Property Improvement Specialists Inc.,

the home is nestled among 1950s-built houses on a quaint street with single-family, middle-class homes, and frankly, it fits right in.

What passersby can't see from the outside of the Pasnow home is its pristine modern interior. Situated between two traditional bungalow-style houses, this home differs from the rest in that it has a uniquely modern open floor plan. Even new builds themselves are somewhat of a rarity in Euclid, where the median home age is 61 years old.

Metz has been doing renovations in Euclid since 1994, but the Pasnow home is his first swing at an open floor plan—a growing

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How I Spent My Quarentine-cation



The Minister of Culture, Michael Heaton
Photo credit Brigid O'Malley

by Michael Heaton
Cleveland's Minister of Culture

1. Watching CNN to find out how many ways I am likely to die in the coming days.

2. Sort my socks according to age dating back to 1974.

3. Look up the word “allocute” I heard on “Law & Order.”

4. Check the mailbox for my months overdue freelance check.

5. Feed the goldfish (singular).

6. Called Mom. Apologized for not calling in so long. She didn't recognize my name right away.

7. Go on Facebook and see if my cat video is trending.

8. Check mailbox again. Nothing.

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Message from the Mayor



Greetings to all! I hope you are doing well, staying healthy and finding ways to connect with friends and family during this difficult time. There is no question, during times of crisis, our community comes together!

I want to thank all of our City employees who have stepped up to ensure we are able to continue to provide the best possible service to our residents. Our first responders and city staff continue to provide exceptional service as always. While City Hall and public buildings are closed to the public, our employees take their role as public servants seriously and have continued to keep our buildings, vehicles, operations, and core services operating. They have been innovative – working remotely, staggering shifts, using technology, collaborating, and being flexible in so many ways – while also taking the necessary precautions to remain healthy and stop the spread. This will only make us stronger and more responsive as we go forward!

I also want to thank our businesses and

community partners for their assistance and stepping up as well! There are many examples of businesses and people providing assistance: calls with offers to volunteer, offers to assist where needed, sharing of Personal Protective Equipment, meals provided, and many great examples of our community coming together to help us get through this pandemic.

There are also great examples of people continuing to connect in new ways – Facebook Live Coffee with a Cop, a resident bagpiper’s St. Patrick’s Day parade down their street, neighborhood front yard check ins while maintaining 6 foot distance, meal programs, phone check ins for seniors, handmade signs of support and appreciation on front yards and windows, and sharing of photos and videos. There are many other examples of creative, supportive efforts – please share them with us so we can celebrate our community strength: email to mayor@cityofeuclid.com.

We are fortunate to have wonderful restaurants, bars, and small businesses in our community. They regularly support our local projects and events. We need to support them now, like we never have before! Please support them with a take- out order and your continued business!

There are many who are struggling during this time too. Please do your part to check on neighbors and loved ones, be patient with service agencies and seek help if needed. There are many resources available, please use them if you need them and encourage others to ask for help if needed. We are all impacted by this and we will get through this together!

Stay healthy, take recommended precautions, and please take care!

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Mayor and Team Visit Lincoln Electric Additive Solutions

On February 11th, Euclid Officials including Mayor Gail, members of City Council and the administration toured Lincoln Electric’s newest venture Lincoln Electric Additive Solutions.

This new division is located in Bluestone Business Park and demonstrates Lincoln Electric’s continued commitment and investment in leading edge, advanced manufacturing in Northeast Ohio.

Congratulations to Lincoln Electric on the opening of this great facility! From Crain’s

Cleveland (April 19): “The metal additive manufacturing parts being made by Lincoln are large: excavator arms, propeller blades. For example, an excavator arm may be seven feet tall and 600 or 700 pounds.

There are different benefits to making those large parts in this way. For example, Lincoln Electric had been approached by the military in the past. The Navy was looking for a way to minimize the number of tools it needed to transport in order to fix its equipment. Large-scale metal additive manufacturing would let them take one

robot that could make what they needed on site.

Customers can get their parts in less time — sometimes within days as opposed to months, Whitehead said — and the parts can be made with less waste. Large parts can be expensive to fabricate because they need to start with far more raw material than ends up in the part. With additive manufacturing, the products can be printed close to the final dimensions.”



Long stormy
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Thomas Carlyle



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Educational Resources for Students

by Ashley Gowens

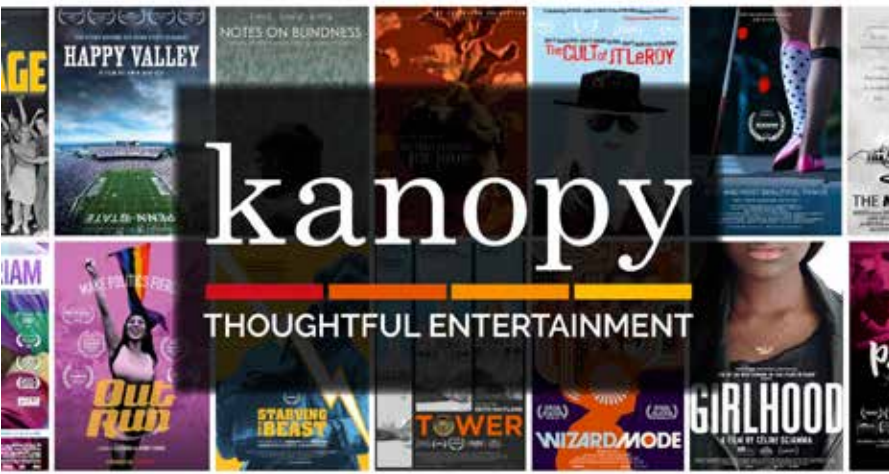
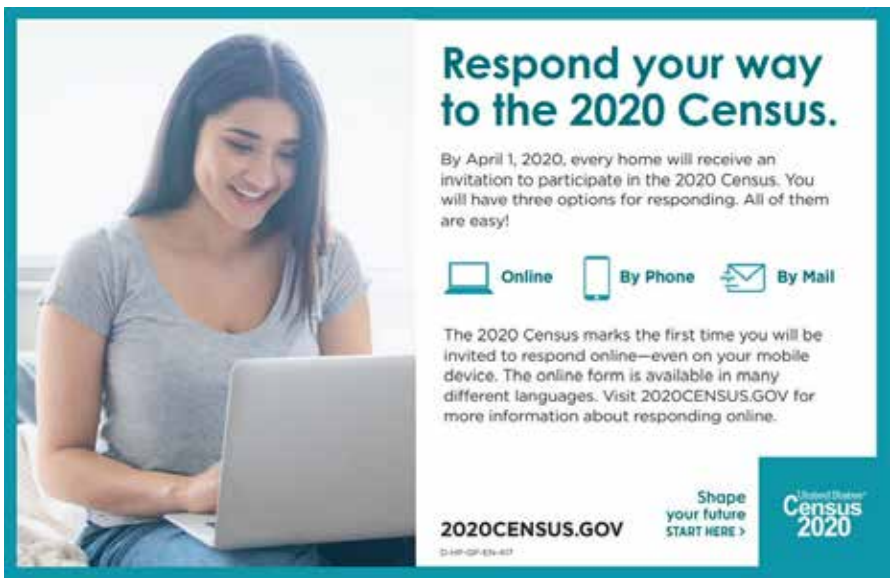
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Featured eMedia: Meet Kanopy!

by Ashley Gowens

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EPL Waves All Late Fees During Closure

by Ashley Gowens

On Tuesday, March 17, 2020, the Euclid Public Library Board of Trustees approved a resolution to temporarily close the Euclid Public Library in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic until further notice.

During our closure, Euclid Public Library will suspend all late fees. We ask you to

please keep all checked-out items until the library resumes normal business hours. Please stay connected to EPL online at www.euclidlibrary.org for the most up-to-date information about the library.

We appreciate your help at this time.



Euclid Community Comes Together for Local Businesses

by Sarah Gyorki



You may have seen the meme here going around online. We know - it's got a typo in it. But the point is still good! For years and years, our local businesses have been supporting our raffles and fundraisers and community events. They've also hosted our parties and baked our birthday cakes and cleaned our suits and cut our hair and made our wedding flowers and too many other things to even begin to list. Our small local businesses -- they're our community, just like our neighbors are. And right now, they're going through a really hard time. Imagine if all the businesses that had to close or cut back for the Coronavirus crisis never came back -- all those services gone for good, and all those jobs with them. We want to do what we can to not let that happen.

So we're doing what Euclid does -- we're coming together as neighbors and helping each other out. Here are some of the ways you can help those local businesses you love, so they'll still be here to teach you yoga or fix your car or print your Tshirts and business cards. Take these as suggestions, use the ones that make sense for you, and come up with your own ideas. But however you can, try now more than ever to be a good neighbor and support our local businesses.

Buy a gift card. Lots of local businesses have started offering gift cards online, so check the website and see if that option is available. You can use it to buy the services you count on when we get back to business as usual. And gift cards also make great gifts -- if you have a gift-giving event coming up, consider giving local gift cards.

Order to go. Some establishments can still offer take-out, delivery and even curbside pick up. Keep on enjoying your favorite coffee, pizza, breakfast -- whatever. Staying home is more fun with good food. Buy a little extra for a neighbor who's homebound.



Pay it forward by paying for the services you would have used. If you've still got your job and you know your barber doesn't, consider sending a check for the amount you would normally have budgeted for hair cuts. They'll take good care of you when they get back to work.

Make a donation. Some of the places we love are nonprofits, and most of them can accept donations online. Lots are still working hard to help people suffering from this crisis -- so show them some love. Gifts of any size are appreciated.

Spread the word. Let your neighbors know, share on Facebook, like and follow on social media, post a great review. We know

the status of local businesses is changing all the time -- some are still closing, others are adding online options or delivery. Here are some places you can go to get more information.

Check with the page on Facebook titled Euclid Area Take-Out & Delivery. They are compiling complete lists of area businesses and what they're offering during this shut-down.

Subscribe to Nan's Neighborhood Notes -- this weekly newsletter is packed with all kinds of information about what's going on in and around our neighborhood, including weekly updates on our local businesses. Sign up by sending an email to nankennedy@yahoo.com.

Check the Scoop on Collinwood - the Scoop is much more than a round-up of great summer happenings, it's actually an info-packed year-round resource. Get all the latest on COVID-19 resources and much more by visiting www.collinwood-scoop.org.

We all know what we need to do. Stay home and stay healthy. Let's do what we can to keep our neighborhood strong, too.

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Shore Culture Centre Receives \$20,000 Ohio History Connection’s History Fund Grant

by Chris Cipriani

The Shore Cultural Centre is pleased to announce that it has received a grant in the amount of \$ 20,000 from the Ohio History Connection’s History Fund to assist with the restoration of sixteen badly deteriorated windows on the front side of the historic Centre building. Shore Executive Director Laura Kidder and Board Member Barb Clint attended the Statehood Day luncheon ceremony held Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at the Ohio Statehouse and accepted an honorary “big check.” They were joined by State Senator Kenny Yuko, a longstanding friend to Shore, who also presented Ms. Kidder with a State Senate proclamation honoring Shore’s contribution to the Greater Euclid community.

The strength of its grant submission is evidenced by the fact that Shore was the only organization out of the eight 2020 grantees to receive the maximum award amount of \$ 20,000, representing 23% of the Ohio History Connection’s \$ 85,900 in awards. The Ohio History Connection’s

History Fund is a highly competitive grant program. This current grant cycle attracted 41 submissions with requests totaling over \$ 568,000. Only 19% of the applicants were successful and total grant requests exceeded funds available by more than six to one.

The Ohio History Connection grant awards were announced at Statehood Day as the grant program is funded through voluntary “tax-check offs” on personal state income tax forms. Grants from the Ohio History Fund are made possible from voluntary donations of state income tax refunds, and sales of Ohio History “mastodon” license plates, and other donations. Further information on the program can be found at www.ohiohistory.org/history-fund or by contacting program manager Andy Verhoff at 614-297-2341.

If you would like to learn more about Shore Cultural Centre, or wish to donate towards building improvements, you can visit their website and donate at www.shoreculturalcentre.com.



Photo is “Courtesy of the Ohio History Connection”, L to R: Barb Clint, Thomas Chema, the Ohio History Connection’s board president, Senator Kenny Yuko, you, and Burt Logan, the Ohio History Connection’s CEO and executive director.

One Sheet Wonder: Make a Mini

by MP Monaghan

People have been making books for a very long time. Early Egyptian books were created on long scrolls made from sheets of papyrus glued together and wrapped around wooden spools for storage. Books eventually changed to the shape we are now familiar with which is called a codex. Chinese and Korean bookmakers were using woodblock printing techniques to create books long before the invention of the printing press, credited to Johannes Gutenberg, around 1436. Small publications, called chapbooks, were easy to print and sold for pennies in the colonies of America. Once printing became mechanized and more people learned to read, book publishing grew by leaps and bounds.

Last October, Shore Cultural Centre hosted Play On Words, a popular event where children experienced different ways to tell and listen to stories. Activities included movement, drawing and cartooning, black-out poetry, and book making. Children really enjoyed making their own small books from one sheet of paper. With so many kids at home, we thought we’d share the instructions for this easy activity. There are no special tools or papers needed. Any size paper will work – the smaller your sheet, the smaller the book will be. This basic idea can be adapted to suit all kinds of projects from books to zines.

Materials & Tools

- one sheet of rectangular paper
- scissors
- writing and drawing supplies

Step by Step

1. First fold your paper in half with long sides together (a hot dog fold).
2. Open your paper out and fold it again, this time with short sides together (a hamburger fold). Figure 1 shows both folds
3. Leaving your paper folded, bring the top paper edge to the center fold at the right. Crease well.

Turn your paper over, and repeat with the other side.

Open your paper out. You should now have 8 sections as shown in Figure 2.

Refold your paper in the hamburger fold and cut a slit on the fold line in the center as shown in Figure 3.

Open your paper out and refold into a hot dog fold. With the crease on top, push both ends toward the middle. Wrap the two outer sections around the book to form the cover and pages.

Now for the fun part. Write or draw your own stories. Make books and share with friends.

If you do make some books, share them with Shore Cultural Centre on our Facebook page. Use the hashtag #onesheetwonder. We’d love to see your creations.

Shore Cultural Center is located at 291 East 222nd Street, Euclid. During the Coronavirus outbreak, please visit the Shore website at shoreculturalcentre.com for the latest information about our facility and hours of operation.



In a final dress rehearsal, actors honed their performance of Frozen Jr just days before Covid-19 shut down the show.

Upstage Players Performance of Frozen Jr. Postponed, not Canceled

by Kurt Steigerwald

While the show didn’t go on, it must at some point.

UpStage Players, a local performing arts group with an all children cast, was preparing for a weekend of performances of Frozen Jr in late March when the Covid-19 crisis caused them to shut down the show. Postponement is the most likely scenario according to Bernadette Walsh, Executive Director, who said that without the ticket revenue, the group would be facing a huge deficit.

“We were all ready to go when we had to pull the plug,” said Walsh. For 25 consecutive years the non-profit group has put on performances featuring 50-80 children. UpStage Players has always kept the show going regardless of the personal challenges, including the death of close family members of staff. Unfortunately, the coronavirus crisis took matters to another level.

Having already paid for the rights to perform the show, the group is looking at options for performing at a later time. Originally scheduled in the Nottingham Branch of the Cleveland Public Library, UpStage

will have to look at all options once an opportunity arises to perform the show.

In the meantime, performers uploaded scenes onto the UpStage Players Facebook for people to enjoy. With young actors performing in small groups in front of family or friends, they were at least able to get a short moment of stage time – if in a controlled environment. Fans can view some performances online to see some of the highlights.

Walsh commented that the group has been very conservative with their spending, so they are able to manage in the short term. They purchased the rights to the show from a theater company that is also dealing with the realities of delayed payments and the financial impact of the shutdown. “They’ve been absolutely great. Very understanding of our situation. Normally, our rights to do the show would have expired, but they are giving us an extension,” said Walsh. She left no doubt about the future of the performance. “We will return.”



Figure 1: Hamburger Fold - short sides together. Hot Dog Fold - long sides together.

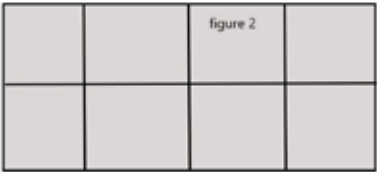


Figure 2: When you’ve done all your folds, your opened paper should look like this.

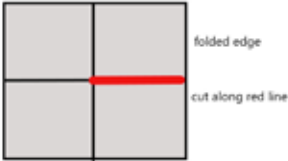


Figure 3: Refold in the Hamburger Fold. With the folded edge on your right, cut

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Road (now Our Lady of Lourdes National Shrine) was a fledgling, 80-acre vineyard owned and cultivated by Mr. Louis and Mrs. Judith (aka, “Julia”) Harms. Already blessed with three children, Julia was pregnant with their fourth child in April, 1870. A devout Catholic, Julia prayed a rosary daily as she sat by a natural spring on the vineyard hillside. While praying on April 28th, Julia reportedly saw and heard the Blessed Virgin Mary tell her that in three days’ time Julia’s baby would be born, and soon thereafter Julia would be “called home” (pass away). This site was to be kept “precious in memory” and “sacred” -- requests Julia related to Louis, their family and friends (including local clergy and religious).

WHAT THE ARCHIVISTS’ RESEARCH REVEALED:

(1) Three days later, on May 1st, Julia gave birth to a baby girl. (2) Soon thereafter, on August 12th, Julia died. Both, as the Virgin Mary reportedly had prophesied. (3) Louis Harms and others behaved as though they believed Julia’s account. Louis kept the place precious and sacred by planting evergreens, one on each side of the spot where Mary had reportedly stood. (Today, that spot is occupied by a statue of Our Lady of

Lourdes, with an evergreen on each side in the Grotto. See Photo) (4) Louis told Rita Stein, the housekeeper/nanny hired to help after Julia’s passing, whose sworn account relates in detail what Louis said and did. Notably, Louis said Rita was drawn (“like other pious women”) in his experience to that very spot to pray the rosary because heaven had anointed it as precious and sacred by Mary’s appearance there. (Does that also explain the spots ongoing allure to pilgrims nationwide 150 years later?) (6) Decades before it became an official shrine, it was drawing pious people besides Rita Stein, like Cleveland’s Bishop Gilmour (on a monthly basis), Euclid’s first pastor, Rev. Anthony Martin (on a weekly basis), and Cleveland’s Good Shepherd Sisters (to regularly pray and work there). (7) So committed to keeping this site sacred were the Harms’ family and the Good Shepherd Sisters that when the vineyard was sold to developers in 1920, the parcel associated with the reported Marian apparition site was sold to the Good Shepherd Sisters. (8) The Good Shepherd Sisters officially renamed their parcel “Providence Heights” in the county plat books apparently as their public notice that this site was anointed by Divine Providence. (9) Two years later, in 1922, the Good Shepherd’s Mother Superior was visiting Lourdes, France. In the Grotto at Lourdes she says she was told in prayer to build a replica of the Lourdes Shrine Grotto on the Providence Heights site in Euclid. (10) Providentially, a Lourdes priest gave her (to use in her replica grotto here) stones upon which Our Lady of Lourdes had stood while talking to St. Bernadette there in 1858. (11) The Mother Superior returned home to build the “Local Shrine” to Our Lady of Lourdes (complete with replica grotto on the site where

the Virgin Mary spoke to Julia Harms in 1870). Built and dedicated by 1926, funding for that costly grotto came about through a miraculous healing of a wealthy woman’s child according to the Mother Superior. (12) However, it was only after dedicating the “Local Shrine” in 1926 that Cleveland’s Bishop Schrembs (who had transferred from Toledo) learned in 1927 about the reported 1870 Marian apparition on that site. A diocesan investigation followed in 1927 (when Rita Stein, as well as Julia Harms’ 3 adult children were still living here). (13) The results of Bishop Schrembs’ investigation must have been confirming. In 1928, just two years after dedicating the “Local Shrine,” Bishop Schrembs rededicated Euclid’s Local shrine as “Our Lady of Lourdes National Shrine.” (14) A similar rededication of a “Local” Marian shrine in Champion, WI as a “National” shrine also occurred there only after the local bishop had concluded the alleged Marian apparition there was worthy of belief. (15) The 1928 rededication was attended by church luminaries (archbishops, bishops, etc.) from far and wide plus an estimated ten thousand pilgrims. It was no minor reclassification. (16) Perhaps most impressive was the finding that official “Ecclesiastical Approval” to circulate the “Rita Stein Account” about the Blessed Virgin Mary’s apparition to Julia Harms on Euclid’s hillside in 1870 was thereafter given (with “Nihil Obstat” and “Imprimatur”) by Archbishop Schrembs, Archbishop Hoban, and then Auxiliary Bishop Krol (later, Cardinal Archbishop of Philadelphia) in the 1930’s, 1940’s, 1950’s. Over 10,000 copies of the account were printed across three decades with that official seal of ecclesiastical approval. (17) The Trinitarian Sisters (who acquired the property from the Good Shep-

herd Sisters in 1952 and operate the Shrine today) continued to reference the grounds as “Providence Heights” in their printed materials. (18) They also circulated in the 1950’s “with Ecclesiastical Approval” Rita Stein’s account about Mary’s appearance to Julia Harms there as among “various apparitions of the Blessed Virgin (there) long before the Shrine came into existence.”

LEGENDARY MIRACLE RECLAIMED AND ONGOING: So, WHY WAS IT NEARLY FORGOTTEN? HOW WAS IT RECALLED? The 1960’s saw major changes in the Catholic Church, including at our Lourdes Shrine. With the Second Vatican Council (1962-65), many Catholic clergy and religious deemphasized the Virgin Mary. The Marian apparition roots of our Shrine gradually devolved through neglect from “ecclesiastically approved history” to “mere legend”. That is, until Euclid Historical Society’s archivists were asked by the Trinitarians in 2016 to explore the actual historical record regarding the “legend.” With the aid of archivists at the Cleveland Catholic Diocese, Cuyahoga County Archives, the Plain Dealer, Ottawa County, and the Good Shepherd Sisters’ archives, the Euclid Historical Society reclaimed the nearly forgotten historical record in time for April 28, 2020 --- the 150th anniversary of the miraculous event that gave rise to the ongoing miracle of Our Lady of Lourdes National Shrine. That spot/shrine/event still draw thousands of pious pilgrims to pray at the grotto on Euclid’s Providence Heights each year. In these troubled times in our world, this is good news we can all celebrate!

Euclid Seeks to Modernize Housing Stock with Open-Concept and Infill

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trend, with 70% of recent and prospective home buyers preferring homes with completely or partially open kitchen-family room arrangements (according to a 2015 National Association of Home Builders survey).

“In recent trends, open floor plans have become increasingly popular with home buyers,” confirms Sarah Dolezal of downtown brokerage Coakley Real Estate Co., LLC.

According to Metz, the Pasnow home is 1,600 square feet with four bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths, and an attached two-car

garage. The home is considered infill housing, which Metz describes as “when a home is constructed on a vacant lot that is surrounded by existing homes.”

With 1,217 vacant lots in Euclid, the use of infill construction could not only help turn blighted sites into tax-producing properties but also meet market demand. Studies show that more than half of buyers prefer a brand-new home, and Metz says that with more people moving toward the urban core, the use of infill construction provides an exciting opportunity to add what buyers really want—such as open floor plans—to the

existing housing stock.

To help spur these types of projects, the city of Euclid offers city-owned properties for one dollar if the buyer commits to building within a year. New construction for residential homes is also eligible for tax abatement ranging from seven to 15 years in most areas of the city.

Metz hopes the Pasnow home will be the first of many infill housing projects in Euclid. “This process will be driven by demand—while we are doing the construction, there is no buyer,” says Metz. “Therefore, we will determine our next course of action af-

ter seeing the outcome of this project.”

For Euclid Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail’s part, she is excited to see new energy around construction and modern housing options in the city. “New houses demonstrate investment in the neighborhoods, help to increase property values of surrounding properties, and provide a greater diversity of housing options for residents,” she says. “New homes also attract new residents to Euclid and help to improve the overall median housing values.”

Vote-by-Mail to be Extended to April 28 for March 17 Primary

by Alisa Boles

As of this writing, the City of Euclid City Assembly has extended the deadline for the 2020 primary election until April 28th. The City’s decision to extend the closing of the in-person voting on March 17th due to concerns about the worldwide coronavirus disease outbreak. Registered voters who haven’t voted already can request a Vote-by-Mail application online.

Here is the link for Cuyahoga County residents: <https://boe.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/VoteByMail.aspx>

Those with access to a printer, can download a form at the same link.

Voters may also call their local Board of Elections (BOE) or write the following information on a blank sheet of paper and



mail it to their BOE:

- full name
- date of birth
- full registration address including county address where ballot should be mailed if different from your registration address
- one of these: Ohio driver’s license number, last four of your Social Security number or include a copy of an acceptable form of ID
- state that “I’m requesting an absentee ballot for the March 17th Ohio Primary”
- indicate if you want a: Democratic, Republican, Libertarian or Issues only ballot (choose only one)
- sign it
- today’s date
- phone number (optional, but suggested)
- email address (optional but suggested)

If you had already sent your ballot in, do not vote again. Your ballot is being held and will be counted with the others on April 28th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Because all ballots postmarked by April 27th will be counted, officials will not have a count available until May 8, 2020.

There will be no in-person voting at any of the local precincts, but in-person voting will be available on April 28th at the BOE at the below address in downtown Cleveland for Cuyahoga County voters who do not have a home mailing address and for persons with disabilities. Those who qualify for ADA accommodations can contact their BOE for absentee voting accommodations as well, or apply online for remote ballot-marking system access: <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/11-g/>

Contact info for Cuyahoga County BOE:

2925 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44115
Telephone: (216) 443-8683
Fax: (216) 443-6633
E-mail: electioninfo@cuyahogacounty.us
Website: boe.cuyahogacounty.us

Contact information for all Ohio counties can be found on the Secretary of State’s website: <https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/elections-officials/county-boards-of-elections-directory/>

For additional election information, access the Secretary of State’s website at: voteo-hio.gov

EUCLID ALUMNI

Euclid Alumni Take 5 with Hannah Zavorek ‘10



Hannah Zavorek, Euclid Senior High School graduate with the Class of 2010.

by Greg Fondran
After graduating from Euclid High School, Hannah Zavorek went on to pursue her education at Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Sport Management - Public Relations in 2014. She has since then made her way back home to Euclid where she works as a Program Administrator for the City of Euclid’s Recreation Department, and serves at the C.E. Orr Ice Arena Manager. Hannah has made it a priority to help build Euclid’s youth community back up to the one she once knew, as she participated in the pro-

grams that she is currently involved with today.

Where did you grow up in Euclid?

I grew up in Indian Hills and lived there for 22 years. I then moved into my mother’s childhood home off of Lakeshore Blvd.

Where did you go to school before Euclid High?

I attended St. Paul’s Church Elementary School on East 200th Street from kindergarten through sixth grade. At the end of sixth St. Paul’s school closed. I started my journey with the Euclid Public Schools in seventh grade at Euclid Central Middle School. I remember going school clothes shopping for the first time, since I no longer had to wear a uniform. I was so excited. The first day of school was so out of the norm because it was something that I never got to do. I was so nervous because it was a new school and I wouldn’t know anyone in my grade. Being the youngest out of my friend group and not knowing anyone was nerve-racking. I remember Elise Cook and Shaunese Worthy trying to reassure me that everything was going to be okay. Turns out they knew what they were talking about. I was fine, made a lot of friends and

continued on to Euclid High School where I graduated.

What teacher or class do you most remember and why?

Sophomore year at Euclid High I took English with Dawn Latessa Banc. It turned out to be one of my favorite classes and teachers from high school. She made me interested in learning. She was also someone whom I felt comfortable with to go to throughout the years of high school. She provided me with advice and direction to guide me through school. She was so much more than a teacher. When I left for college she would send little homesick packages. We have kept in touch throughout the years since I graduated.

Did you have a favorite spot in Euclid, and what did you like about it?

I can’t say that I have one favorite spot in Euclid. Throughout my childhood, it changed at different stages of my life. My neighborhood growing up was always something that I will forever love. It is where I met my childhood friends Shaunese Worthy, Shannon Weems and Elise Cook. In our neighborhood, there would always be kids outside playing games and having so much

fun. We would play so many games from Barbies to hide and seek, to Sims Park on a rainy day. Next, we all reached high school where we all started to find our place and met more people. We then started to discover our new favorite spots that would become permanent throughout high school. Mine was the actual high school. I would spend hours there in a lot of different after-school activities, from football to basketball and track. Coming full circle, Mac Stephens was a Euclid football coach and now I am one of his employees in the City of Euclid’s Recreation Department.

What, if anything, about your Euclid High experience would you do over?

I wouldn’t say I would do over anything because, all-in-all, I had a pretty good high school experience. If anything, I wish I would have gone to more dances and got a little more involved with other groups. I would also tell myself that you’re only young once so make the most out of it. In some ways I did, but other ways I didn’t. Know an alumnus of the Euclid Public Schools with an interesting story to tell? Please let us know by e-mailing the alumni office at alumni@euclidschools.org.

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Living During this Time of Pandemic



by Barbara Liddell
TO GOD BE THE GLORY: PRAY! There is a living GOD. We are awesomely made, with a great immune system.

Hippocrates stated, “Make food thy medicine and thy medicine thy food.” Lets help build our own body immune system to work efficiently and effectively. Eat the right foods such as fruits and vegetables. Make zucchini bread which is full of calcium, iron, magnesium, phosphorus, and plenty of potassium. Zucchini bread also contains plenty of Vitamins including Vitamins A, C, and K, and also antioxidants boost immune system. While we are being

isolated cook wholesome nutritious meals with plenty of fruits and vegetables. Beets have awesome heart healthy nutrients that increase circulation which helps lower blood pressure.

It is spring now, so how about a vegetable and flower garden. It can be good for your soul and your health.

Drink plenty of fluids such as alkaline water and spring water. We are told to drink warm fluids all day, like green tea sweetened with honey. Antioxidants decrease inflammation and improve immune system. Take in less sugar and fewer fried foods.

Maintain social isolation while out and about. Wipe or spray all items when entering your home always take off your shoes upon entering your home. Prevent bringing in all germs, bacteria and viruses.

Pray and ask for divine guidance and protection. We are in difficult times.

Thank You,

Barbara Liddell

Euclid Hunger Center Continues to Serve Our Residents

The Hunger Center is still open and is passing out food bags to Euclid residents in need.

Wednesdays & Saturdays
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To Make a Donation

Checks payable to Euclid Hunger Task Force, P. O. Box 23554, Euclid, OH 44123

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Karen’s Corner: What Shall I Do Today?

by Karen Murray

During these trying times, we should attempt to conduct our lives as normal as possible. Parents and guardians with disabled family members are faced with additional challenges at this time. As a parent of disabled young adult, we’ve chosen to be active and creative.

Some suggestions include:

Making a daily schedule, Prepare as if you’re going out or going to work, Include housework and homework, Partake in arts and crafts, Kitchen activities, Get organized, Try cool coloring, Get some fresh air as often as possible. Each day can be a new adventure.

Upfront and Behind the Scenes Heroes

This is a very crucial time in history and in our lives. It is a time to remember how fortunate we are. Here is a short list of places and people who are relative and mandatory during these times. There is no specific order, this is my list. You may want to create your own.

Family, Hospitals, Paramedics, Police Officers, Government agencies and workers, Drug stores and workers, Postal service and workers, Grocery stores and workers, Gas Stations, Minimarts, City Workers, At&t, Home Depot, Dialysis Centers, Nursing Homes, Mental Health Facilities, Newspapers, Media, Banks. Just to name a few...

Euclid: How Are You Creatively Connecting in this Time of Social Distancing?

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

The City of Euclid is calling all Euclideans to share your photographs depicting you, your kids, your pets practicing safe (but creative!) forms of connecting to friends and family during the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are all familiar with the CDC guidance to remain 6’-0” apart from each other and the State’s stay at home order. How are you creatively coping? Virtual dance parties?

Social Distancing Parades? - the rest of us want to know!

Please submit your name, photo(s) and a brief description in an email to thiseuclid.oh@gmail.com

By submitting this information you are providing permission for the City of Euclid to reproduce the content over a variety of platforms. This is not a contest, simply a way to help the community connect with each other. Stay healthy!



Sing-a-longs, virtual happy hours, old fashioned pen pals? Share with us how you are you staying connected during the social distancing and ‘stay at home’ order.



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Ohio Attorney General Releases 2020 Sunshine Law Manual

by Alisa Boles

Ohio’s Open Meetings and Public Records Acts are collectively known as “Sunshine Laws”. The purpose of these laws is to prevent citizens from being kept in the dark about government operations.

Unless an exception applies, any member of the public has a right to be present at a meeting of a public body where public business is being discussed and to have access to records kept by government entities.

An extensive guide to Ohio’s Sunshine laws is published with annual updates by the Ohio Attorney General’s office (OAG). The guide is nicknamed, the “Yellow Book” and can be accessed online. A paper copy can be requested, limited to one (1) copy per requester. Several informational videos are available in response to frequently asked questions.

Free training sessions are offered by the OAG at various statewide locations throughout the year. Free Online Sunshine Laws Training is also available and has been approved for 3.0 general self-study activity hours of Ohio Attorney Continuing Legal Education.

OAG Sunshine Law training is open to public officials, as well as any individual interested in open government.

In *White v. Clinton County Board of Commissioners*, 76 Ohio St.3d 416 (1996), the Ohio Supreme Court described the historical significance of government transparency to the founders of the United States and the State of Ohio:

“One of the strengths of American government is the right of the public to know and understand the actions of their elected representatives. This includes not merely the right to know a government body’s final decision on a matter, but the ways and means by which those decisions were reached. There is great historical significance to this basic foundation of popular government, and our founding fathers keenly understood this principle.

James Madison clearly laid out this strength of our government when he said that:

‘A popular Government, without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or a Tragedy; or, perhaps, both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance; And a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives.’ The Complete Madison, His Basic Writings (1988) 337 (Letter to W.T. Barry, August 4, 1822).

Thomas Jefferson further expounded on this principle: “The way to prevent [errors of] the people, is to go give them full information of their affairs throu’ the channel of the public papers, and to contrive that those papers should penetrate the whole mass of the people. The basis of our governments being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right * * *’ 11 The Papers of Thomas Jefferson (1955) 49 (Letter to Col. Edward Carrington, January 16, 1787).

Ohio’s own history is replete with rich examples of detailed records dating back to the 1800s. Amicus League of Women Voters of Ohio cites many rich examples of the long and illustrious record-keeping of our forebears. In fact, when the Ohio legislature created the first boards of county commissioners, it included in that creation a requirement that accurate records be kept by the county commissioners. See 2 Ohio Laws 150. In 1804, in “An act establishing boards of commissioners,” the Ohio legislature required:

‘Sec. 9. * * * That the commissioners shall have a just and accurate record kept of all their corporate proceedings, and for that purpose they are hereby empowered to appoint a clerk * * *.’ Id. at 153. ... ”

Sunshine Week, an initiative of the American Society of News Editors, is celebrated nationwide every March.

A Call to All 40:2

by Lillian J. Anderson

Are these uncertain times? No. We knew these days would come.

Now is an Old Day but a New Day.

A situation that has actually been before. What’s new? The people.

Yes, there is fear, but be brave. Be bold and courageous. Your purpose is to rise above your circumstances by going back, back to the wisdom from a book centuries old: the Holy Bible.

Is it outdated? No. Has it been forsaken? Yes. We must go back to the Old Landmark. Think back...recall the memories of the stories told to you by your parents, grandparents and great- grandparents. Seize the moments and times spent together learning,

loving, living these treasures. Keep them in your heart and in your mind.

Be strong when the battleground for your mind is in combat mode! Find a solid immovable rock to stand on when the floods come and the storms rage. Cleave to it!

Jesus Is.

My Rock.

Never Forget....

He lifted me out of the slimy pit,

out of the mud and mire;

He set my feet on a rock

and gave me a firm place to stand.

Psalms 40:2

The Holy Bible

New International Version (NIV)



Big Clean Postponed: Social Distancing Clean-ups Encouraged

by Allison Lukacsy-Love

To prevent the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), the Big Clean originally scheduled for Saturday, April 25th will be postponed.

We are following directives from Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, the Ohio Department of Public Health and the CDC. We are working to identify a new date in the Fall for this popular annual event, so please stay tuned!

In the meantime, there are actions you can take as an individual to remain a good steward of our environment.

Next time you walk the dog or venture to a local park for some fresh air, grab a trash bag and gloves and pick up any litter along the way. Be vigilant in washing your hands before and after!



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COMING TOGETHER IN A TIME OF CRISIS: HOW THE EUCLID CHAMBER IS RESPONDING TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

By: Sheila Gibbons, Executive Director

"When life gives you lemons, make lemonade," is a proverbial phrase we have heard time and again. This quote has been on my mind in recent days. We have witnessed businesses of all types and sizes stop on a dime and pivot to a "new normal." There have been changes in schedules, business hours, partial and full closures, menu changes, dining room and office closures, delivery only options, curb-side pick up, drop off and pick up services only, social distancing measures, working from home and unfortunately even layoffs. Companies have cleaned out stock rooms and warehouses of in demand supplies and donated them to local healthcare facilities and first responders. Manufacturers, brewers and distilleries have stepped up and created ways practically overnight to produce hand sanitizer and ventilators. In essence, they have found ways to make lemonade.

The methods we have implored as a nation, the State of Ohio, our local communities and our households to help "flatten the curve" on the spread of COVID-19 have tested us all to adapt over and over again to each new standard that is recommended or mandated. We have all reacted to these changes with different emotions but our human spirit still remains. In times of crisis, whether personally or on a larger stage, we always seem to raise our hands and say, "I am here to help. What can I do?" We start grass-roots campaigns and we volunteer, we donate, we bring people meals, we get out and do what we can to help others in need. This time is different. We are all in this same crisis. We cannot volunteer as usual and it can leave us all feeling helpless.

There are ways we can help and the list of needs is different this time. We can help our small businesses. For all of those times we have called upon them to donate to our charity events and depended upon them to work long hours to accommodate our needs, we can return the favor. They have been forced to cancel events, close dining rooms and reduce staff hours. They have inventory they need to sell, perishable foods to prepare, and services they had to suspend. Some have been forced to close and are worried they may never re-open. If you are able, order take-out for yourself or a loved one in need and tip the wait staff as if you are dining in. Tips are their livelihood. Find creative ways to give small businesses revenue now rather than waiting until this pandemic is over. Call your favorite businesses and purchase gift cards for future use. These small gestures may make the difference in whether or not their business survives this crisis. Please check out our Facebook page "Euclid Area Take-Out & Delivery Options" for local eateries offering special deals. Post and share information.

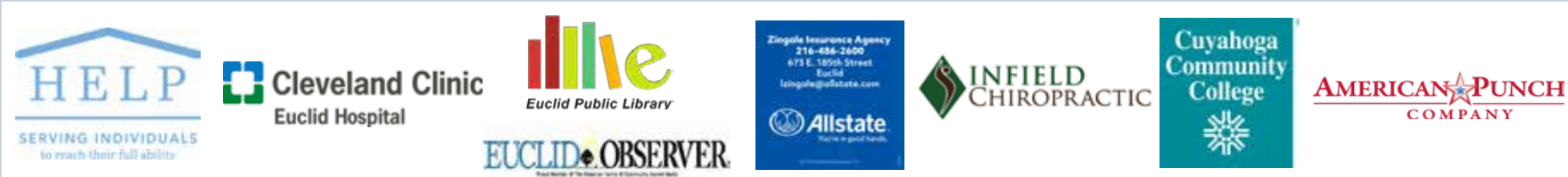
We can help those around us too. Call and text your family members and neighbors and make sure they have the supplies they need and they are physically and mentally well. Have supplies and groceries delivered to those in need. If you or someone you care for is in need, you are not alone. Do not be ashamed to ask for help. Many families are finding themselves in a new situation dealing with sudden lost wages and need assistance. Reach out to our Euclid Hunger Center, churches or simply call 211 to be matched with the services you need. If you are searching for a job, check out our Facebook page "Euclid Works Job Board." The State of Ohio has established a website that is updated daily with links to resources as well as the information for state mandates: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov>.

The Euclid Chamber of Commerce is not holding any events until further notice but we look forward to seeing everyone again soon! In the meantime, please check out our Facebook pages, go to our website euclidchamber.com and click on the COVID-19 tab for important links to community resources, business resources, including the SBA emergency loan program, or reach out to us with questions. Stay safe and stay healthy! We are Euclid!

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The Observer

In our ongoing efforts for transparency, the Euclid City Council is presenting the Council Agendas which list our final actions regarding proposed legislation for the previous month. If further details are needed, all council meetings are recorded and available at the Euclid Public Library. Please visit www.euclidlibrary.org. We hope you find this information useful.

Euclid City Council President,

Charlene Mancuso

AGENDA
EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020 AT 7:00 PM
EUCLID MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBER

ACTION	LEGISLATION	PROPOSED
Third Reading	1. A resolution authorizing the amendment of the consent judgment with Providence Baptist Church to allow for a new development project called Celebration Village at Providence Park. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail) (Sent to Executive and Finance and referred back to Council with recommendation for passage)	Res. (113-19)
POSTPONED until 2/18/20	Comment: This would authorize an amendment of the consent judgment on a prior lawsuit concerning property of Providence Baptist Church.	
PASSED 9 – 0 9-2020	2. A resolution to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Army Corps of Engineers for approval of a shore structure in the submerged lands in Lake Erie adjacent to the property located at 21281 Edgecliff Drive, Euclid OH 44123, bearing permanent parcel number 642-05-018. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail)	Res. (008-20)
	Comment: This would allow the construction of a shore structure to prevent erosion.	
PASSED 9 – 0 10-2020	3. An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor, or her designee, to enter into a professional services contract with SAFEbuilt Ohio, LLC for the provision of Certified Building Official services for a temporary period of one hundred- eighty days from February 11, 2020 through August 10, 2020. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail)	Ord. (009-20)
	Comment: This would extend the contract with SAFEBuilt for our needed CBO services.	
PASSED AS AMENDED 9 – 0 11 – 2020	4. An ordinance amending Sections 941.04 “Waste Containers” and 941.05 “Placement and Storage of Containers; Enforcement Procedure” of Chapter 941 “Garbage and Rubbish Collection and Disposal” of the Streets Utilities and Public Services Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Euclid to amend the size of the containers utilized by the residents and to include a time frame within which tickets issued subsequent to warning notices. (Sponsored by The Entire City Council)	Ord. (010a-20)
	Comment: This would amend the garbage can code to consider vendor supplied cans and time frame in which warnings/tickets are issued.	
First Reading SENT TO SECOND READING	5. An emergency ordinance which makes the annual appropriation for all expenditures for the City of Euclid for the period ending December 31, 2020. (Sponsored by Council President Mancuso by request of the Finance Director)	Ord. (011-20)
	Comment: This would approve the city’s annual budget.	

Third Reading	7. An ordinance amending Sections 121.07 “Order of Business,” 121.15 “Clerk,” 121.18 “Committee of the Whole,” 121.20 “Council Members’ Comments,” 121.22 “Order,” 121.32 “Handbilling,” and enacting Sections 121.33 “Miscellaneous” and 121.35 “Removal” of Chapter 121 “Council” of the Administrative Code of the Codified Ordinances for the City of Euclid to amend and enact codes pertaining to the business of and matters before the Euclid City Council. (Sponsored by Council President Mancuso) (Sent to Executive and Finance Committee) (Sent to Council as amended by Executive and Finance with recommendation for passage) (Sent to Executive and Finance Committee) (Sent to Council as amended by Executive and Finance with recommendation for passage)	Ord. (127b-19)
PASSED 9 – 0 17-2020	Comment: This would amend and enact codes pertaining to the business of and matters before the Euclid City Council.	
First Reading SENT TO SECOND READING	8. An emergency ordinance declaring improvements to a parcel of real property to be a public purpose, describing the public improvements to be made that directly benefit such parcel, requiring the owner of the improvements thereon to make service payments in lieu of taxes, and establishing a Euclid Avenue TIF District #1 Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the deposit of such service payments. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail and Councilperson Caviness)	Ord. (016-20)
	Comment: This would approve Euclid Avenue TIF District #1 for Dollar General parcel.	
Second Reading SENT TO THIRD READING	9. An emergency ordinance which makes the annual appropriation for all expenditures for the City of Euclid for the period ending December 31, 2020. (Sponsored by Council President Mancuso by request of the Finance Director)	Ord. (011-20)
	Comment: This would approve the city’s annual budget.	

Due to the necessary precautions that are currently in place, until further notice the Euclid City Council will not be meeting on the regularly scheduled dates and there will be no Council Committee meetings scheduled for at least the next 30-60 days. We encourage our Euclid residents to still communicate with Council members should they have an issue that needs to be addressed. We will get through this together.

Charlene Mancuso
Council President

AGENDA
EUCLID CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020 AT 7:00 PM
EUCLID MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBER

ACTION	LEGISLATION	PROPOSED
Third Reading	1. A resolution authorizing the amendment of the consent judgment with Providence Baptist Church to allow for a new development project called Celebration Village at Providence Park. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail) (Sent to Executive and Finance and referred back to Council with recommendation for passage)	Res. (113a-19)
PASSED AS AMENDED 6 – 3 18 – 2020	Comment: This would authorize an amendment of the consent judgment on a prior lawsuit concerning property of Providence Baptist Church.	
SENT TO SECOND READING	2. An ordinance authorizing the sale of Permanent Parcel Number 644-21-054, vacant land at 24373 Maplewood Drive, from the Euclid Land Bank, to Clifton Jones for the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) as authorized by Ordinance Nos. 98-2010 and 101-2011. (Sponsored by Planning and Zoning)	Ord. (018-20)
	Comment: This would authorize the sale of a property in the land bank.	
PASSED 8 – 0 19 – 2020	3. An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Euclid or her designee to enter into a Storefront Renovation Agreement with Eastlake Ventures LTD (d.b.a. Northeast Factory Direct) for the provision of a grant in an amount not to exceed Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to support exterior improvements of the property located at 24470 Lakeland Boulevard, Euclid, Ohio. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail)	Ord. (023-20)
	Comment: This would allow the city to provide a grant to Northeast Factory Direct for participation in the Storefront Renovation program.	
Second Reading	4. An emergency ordinance declaring improvements to a parcel of real property to be a public purpose, describing the public improvements to be made that directly benefit such parcel, requiring the owner of the improvements thereon to make service payments in lieu of taxes, and establishing a Euclid Avenue TIF District #1 Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the deposit of such service payments. (Sponsored by Mayor Holzheimer Gail and Councilperson Caviness)	Ord. (016-20)
PASSED 1-ABSTAIN 8 – 0 20 – 2020	Comment: This would approve Euclid Avenue TIF District #1 for Dollar General parcel.	
Third Reading	5. An emergency ordinance which makes the annual appropriation for all expenditures for the City of Euclid for the period ending December 31, 2020. (Sponsored by Council President Mancuso by request of the Finance Director)	Ord. (011a-20)
PASSED AS AMENDED 9 – 0 21 – 2020	Comment: This would approve the city’s annual budget.	



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A Message from the Chief

by Scott Meyer



The men and women of the Euclid Police Department work hard every day to ensure the safety and security of the city. That isn't going to change as we are faced with the challenges of Covid-19. As we deal with this unprecedented challenge, we must make some temporary changes to our daily operations. Effective immediately, we are implementing the following steps for the safety and security of our community and department to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

PATROL OPERATIONS
The department will maintain normal patrol operations and continue to respond to life-saving emergencies, serious crimes in progress, and other calls for service that involve the safety and security of Euclid. When possible, individuals may be asked

to meet responding Officers outside of their residence or place of business in order to maintain a safe social distance.

Please refrain from coming to the Euclid Police Department building unless absolutely necessary. We have implemented capabilities that allow for making reports or making requests over the phone and also electronically.

MAKE A POLICE REPORT
Reports for minor incidents that require police follow-up may be taken over the phone by contacting police dispatch at 216-731-1234 and asking to speak with the Officer in Charge. An Officer will then call you.

Minor incidents that don't require an Officer to follow up on the information provided can be documented on a station house report here:
euclidpd.org/station-house-report/

To document car accident with no injuries and drivers exchanged information may use a station house motor vehicle accident report here:
euclidpd.org/station-house-motor-vehicle-accident-report

POLICE RECORDS REQUESTS
We respect the right of citizens to request department records and digital footage. However, during this challenging time

you can expect a delay in fulfilling most requests.

Record's requests can be submitted electronically using the following links:

Euclid Police reports and motor vehicle accident reports can be retrieved on line at euclidpd.org/record-search/

Special requests where the information will be emailed to you can be made on line at

euclidpd.org/public-records-request-form

FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS
All Non-essential functions have been suspended. These include:

Community functions such as fingerprinting, ride-a-longs, and station tours.

Community Policing activities such as the Citizen's Police Academy, neighborhood safety & block-watch meetings, PAL open gym basketball, Project BlueP.R.I.N.T., Cop a Question, Coffee with a Cop, CPT-ED evaluations, active shooter training.

Any other event not considered an essential function may be suspended at the discretion of the Officer in Charge to limit pedestrian traffic in the station and limit staff from contact with potentially infected persons.

It is times like this that we define who we are as a community. I urge you to follow the guidance of our public health professionals and government officials. Monitor your health closely. Keep in touch electronically with your family, neighbors, and loved ones. Do not give in to feelings of fear and hysteria. Do not hoard supplies. Buy what you need and be conscious that others need supplies, too. Practice patience when faced with new challenges resulting from this virus and its effect on society.

I promise you that the men and women of the EPD will continue to work hard each and every day to ensure the safety and security of the City of Euclid. We are your police department, your first responders, and we will continue to serve you to the best of our ability with professionalism, compassion, and the deepest sense of duty. God bless us all during this challenging time.

We will continue to update the change in operations as conditions change. Accurate virus updates can be found at World Health Organization (WHO), CDC Global, Ohio Department of Health, and Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

Chief Scott Meyer
Euclid Police Department

Euclid City Services

Euclid City Hall will be closed to the public through Monday, 4/6/20 however, as we are public servants, our services will still be available as best as possible.

City Council – 216-289-8123

Until further notice Euclid City Council will not be meeting on the regularly scheduled dates and there will be no Council Committee meetings scheduled. Euclid residents should still communicate with Council members should they have an issue that needs to be addressed.

Tax Department – 216-289-2722
2019 Municipal Tax forms can be mailed or dropped off in the Tax Box located by the entrance of City Hall. Please know the tax filing date has been extended to July 15, 2020. Staff will process and take phone calls and emails to support residents.

Vitals – 216-289-2843

The Vital Statistic Office will be closed to the public. Please contact them at 216-289-2843 to process your order.

Recreation – 216-289-8114
All registration is available online however current programming has been suspended. Staff will also be available to answer phone calls. C.E. Orr Arena and the Senior Center are closed at this time. All transportation services provided through the Senior Center are suspended. Home delivered meal service is continuing however there is now a waiting list for new participants.

Building and Housing Departments – 216-289-8127
At this time, all inspections will continue. Application processing will continue only via email or fax. All payments must be completed with a credit card.

Planning and Development 216-289- 2830
Zoning inspections will continue. ARB scheduled for March 26, 2020 at 7pm has been cancelled.

Service Department – 216-289-2701
The Service Department is suspending the snaking of drains at this time. There will be no interruption in garbage and recycling curbside pick-up.

Reception – 216-289-2700
Reception will remain on schedule to handle the influx of calls and direct residents to the appropriate department.

EDCOR – 216-289-4625

EDCOR payments can be made by mail or by dropping off in the tax drop off box located by the entrance to City Hall. For all further inquiries, please call 216-289-4625.

Cleveland Housing Network – 216-350-8008

The satellite office for CHN, located in City Hall is temporarily closed. Unfortunately, the City can't assist with requests regarding CHN. They can be reached at 216-350-8008.

Providing ongoing services to residents of Euclid will remain our primary goal. Equally important is for our staff to follow the CDC guidelines and the Governor's Orders for Ohio. As this is a fluid situation, some of the above may change. Please refer to our website at www.cityofeuclid.com for the most up-to-date information.

Operation Overcoat

The City of Euclid's painting program, Operation Overcoat, is now available for eligible home owners in 2020. Applicants must reside in their homes as well as meet additional income guidelines. This program provides exterior home painting services to homeowners free of charge. For further information, please contact the Special Projects Division of the Planning and Development Department at 216-289-8562. Please note there is a waiting list.



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Euclid Creek Reservation	440-473-3370
Euclid Family Y	731-7454
Euclid Police	731-1234
Non-Emergency	
Block Watch	289-8449
Euclid Library	261-5300
Euclid Neighborhood Engagement	289-826
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Housing and Property Conditions	
Lakefront Sr. Community Ctr.	289-2985
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Council Clerk Office	289-8123

This is Euclid

by Brian Moore

I consider myself to be a reasonably intelligent man that looks at the bigger picture. Being a minister, I am used to looking hopefully into the future, knowing that today's difficulties will pass, and the sun will rise again tomorrow. Never in my wildest dreams could I picture our current situation.

I know that I don't have to tell you that this pandemic has touched everyone in profound and life changing ways. Child-care and schooling, elder care and medical appointments, money coming in and money going out, counseling and support groups, layoffs and the desperate need for employees to fill essential positions and the list goes on and on.

And still, we are blessed. We are blessed to live in this country with excellent medical care. We here in Euclid are especially fortunate to live in a region with lots of hospitals, some of the best in the country. As we consider our good fortune in this area, we must thank all of the doctors, nurses, hospital staff and first responders and ask that God keep them safe and healthy.

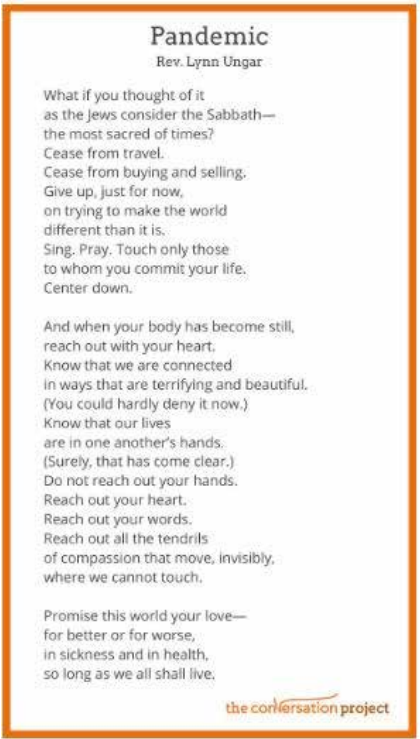
We have grocery stores and drug stores that are constantly being stocked with healthy fruits and vegetable, fresh meats and breads, medicines, toilet paper and paper towels, etc. These stores and their employees are working hard to serve our needs. The employees that work at these stores are risking their health to serve us. How can we repay them for their service? Be kind. Don't hoard. Be patient. Only go out when necessary, try to shop once a week. Thank them. Literally say "Thank you" to every employee that crosses your path. These employees and stores have always deserved our appreciation. They do

important work. They deserve it now more than ever.

We have restaurants and caterers that are providing delicious meals to the community. They have adapted the way they do business to keep us safe. Their meals provide us with one less thing to worry about...what's for dinner. At a time when we are all feeling stressed, it is a blessing to be able to make a phone call and order a hot, delicious dinner. At the same time we are being served, we are helping to keep these businesses above water in this difficult time. In many cases we aren't talking about business owners. We are talking about friends. Friends that support our fundraisers, sponsor our sports teams, welcome us for our important family celebrations, etc. Take a minute to recognize them on Facebook or Nextdoor. Again, thank these folks....the business owners and employees.

While we are talking about meals, thanks go out to the Euclid Hunger Center. They continue to serve the residents of Euclid. The schools are also feeding children. These are critically important lifelines for our residents. If you are inclined, reach out to contact either of these organizations to see if they need some volunteers.

How many times have we said, "I wish I had more time to catch up with family and friends?" Now is the time. Make that phone call. Catch up on the family news. Call your grandparents and parents. Send a card or an email. Have the kids color a picture and send it to brighten their day. There is a silver lining to every cloud. Perhaps slowing down, catching our breath and reassessing our priorities is a benefit that we will realize when this is all over.



In this age of technology, there is no need for anyone to be isolated. We hear a lot about the term, "social distancing". I believe that is the wrong term. I think we should be talking about physical distancing but socially connecting. We have to make a special effort to stay connected. Watch out for your neighbor whenever possible. If they aren't connected digitally, make a call, drop a note have the kids color a picture. After all, this is Euclid. We are Euclid.



Ask an Officer: Child Endangering

by Kate McLaughlin

QUESTION: Could you explain the offense of child endangering which is listed on the monthly Euclid Police Offense report?

ANSWER: Let's begin with some scenario descriptions. A two-year old is left sleeping in an apartment while the parent is gone for over 40 minutes, an infant in a car seat is left inside a hot car while the parent shops, a twelve-year-old is locked out of the house in less than 30-degree icy weather to wait 45 minutes for the school bus, drugs are lying on the coffee table within reach of children watching television, an intoxicated parent is driving children. All of these scenarios, which have actually occurred in Euclid, are considered child endangering,

an offense that has risen by 35% in the city since 2016.

The Euclid Codified Ordinance for child endangering is 537.11 and states that no adult person shall create a substantial risk to the health or safety of a child by violating a duty of care, protection, or support. The ordinance includes, but is not limited to actions such as abuse, torture, corporal punishment, and unwarranted disciplinary measures.

Agencies that address issues with children such as Cuyahoga County Child and Family Services further clarifies child abuse as including physical, sexual, and emotional abuse and neglect. If a parent or caregiver is suspected of abusing a child or failing to provide adequate supervision, food, shelter, medical care, education or a safe environ-

ment, Cuyahoga County Children and Family Services should be contacted at 216-696-KIDS (5437), just as Euclid Police Officers do when making a child endangering report.

Euclid residents concerned about neglect or abuse and want to understand and learn what can be done to help, can utilize the Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy Center, an agency that works closely with the Euclid Police Department and provides victims of domestic violence with advocates, education, emergency shelter and resources. The DVCAC website provides information and can be accessed at dvca.org. To reach the DVCAC, call 216-229-2420 or the emergency helpline which is open 24/7 at 216-391-4357.

Euclid Panthers Football Hosts Inspirational Symposium

by Kurt Moore

The Euclid High School Panthers football program recently hosted the first inaugural Success Looks Like Me symposium to let players network with professionals from similar backgrounds.

Football Coach Jeff Rotsky invited successful African-American men and women from around Cleveland and the country to speak with children and share their stories.

"Fifty very successful people from past players of mine to very dear friends welcomed the opportunity to inspire our kids," Coach Rotsky said. "We had doctors,

lawyers, business people, educators, professional athletes, and many others who spoke to the hearts of our kids. They told them the challenges they faced and how they overcame them."

Students rotated and spoke with people with similar career and life interests.

Former NFL player and pro-scout Steve Cargile talked to WEWS-TV 5 about his participation in the event.

"I definitely see myself in some of these kids just trying to figure out life," he said. "We live in a tough world. I think it's up



to people like us to come to continue to change that will change the narrative and outcomes."

Euclid Schools would like to thank Coach Rotsky for organizing the event and to the professionals who shared their time to inspire our students.

CITY COUNCIL

Summary of March 7 Community Meeting in Ward 5

by Christine McIntosh

On March 7th, a group of approximately 30 residents convened at the Lakefront Community Center for a Ward 5 Community Meeting hosted by Councilwoman Christine McIntosh. These engaged citizens actively listened to presentations and updates from Assistant Law Director Laura Rubadue, Community Development Manager Dan Petrelli, Euclid City Schools Superintendent Chris Papouras, Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, Council President Charlene Mancuso and Councilwoman McIntosh. A summary of the meeting is below:

Housing & Law

Assistant Law Director Laura Rubadue presented on housing violations, as this is one of the most asked about matters City Council deals with and about 60% of the Law Department's workload. In addition to housing matters, the team handles human resources duties such as workers compensation cases, collective bargaining agreements, FMLA paperwork, workplace grievances and more. Residents learned the general process of a housing violation and what may factor into why a home enters the system, from direct complaints to proactive inspections done by city inspectors, and/or city councilpersons as they monitor their wards. When a resident notifies the city of a concern they have for a neighboring property, they often discover that the property may already be in prosecution. When this is not the case, the Law Department issues a violation, notifies the property owner, advises how long they have to remedy the violation(s) and what repercussions they may face if the notice is ignored. Should the property owner not comply in the time frame given, the city moves forward with prosecution. Housing cases are heard in Euclid Municipal Court often on Thursday mornings; proceedings are open to the public and the court docket is viewable online. Should anyone be concerned with a property on their street, neighborhood or in the city overall, please either contact your city councilperson or the Law Department at 216-289-2746.

2020 US Census

Community Development Manager Dan Petrelli spoke to the importance of completing the 2020 US Census, stressing that it is crucial for all residents to prioritize completing the form either by mail, online

or when a Census representative knocks on your door. Census data factors into state representation, how communities are redistricted, and how much funding comes to our state and municipalities by the federal government. It is important to know that when you respond to the census, your answers are kept anonymous and the US Census Bureau is bound by law to keep answers strictly confidential. For more information about the 2020 Census, please visit <https://2020census.gov/>.

Euclid City Schools

Superintendent Chris Papouras is a proud product of the K-12 education system in Euclid and after working in the district for ten years, he now leads it as our new superintendent. He spoke passionately about the continuous improvements happening at Euclid City Schools including increases in academic performance and our four year graduation rate. Watching every dollar closely, the district was awarded the Auditors Award with Distinction for financial management for the third year in a row. Papouras advocated for passing Issue 27 because as he believes, strong city schools cannot be separated from a strong city and a strong city cannot be separated from strong schools. To view his State of the Schools presentation and hear about the student experience from actual students, please visit <http://www.euclidschools.org/StateoftheSchools.aspx>.

Euclid City Hall

Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail announced to the group that the city budget was recently passed and the city looks forward to adding a few new police officers and firefighters to their respective departments. The city is also working on a long term safety facility upgrade plan to address aged and outdated buildings that do not support modern day policing and firefighting. She informed attendees about a major development plan working its way through City Council and the School Board called Celebration Village at Providence Park. The property owner Providence Park Baptist Church is proposing a roughly \$160M senior retirement resort project reliant upon Tax Increment Financing (TIF), a commonly used method to fund projects via tax revenue. It's an exciting opportunity and could bring additional investment along Euclid Ave as well as new jobs, residents and income tax dollars.



The Waterfront Improvement Project construction continues with half of the trail substantially complete. The Mayor reinforced that Cuyahoga County and other communities are looking at Euclid's model of expanding public access, providing erosion control and restoring native habitat. The city will be able to resurface some streets this year thanks to funding from Ohio's gas tax. Funding has also been received to work on a portion of Euclid Avenue, from the Cleveland border to Dille Rd; work should commence later this year.

Euclid City Council

Council President CharleneMancuso informed the group that final council agendas are now placed in the Euclid Observer twice a month so residents can stay aware of what their city government has been working on. City Council meetings are viewable on certain TV stations and online at Euclid Public Library's website. She reminded the group that we have two new members, Marcus Epps in Ward 3 and Maria Jukic in Ward 7, maintaining the strength and diversity of Euclid City Council.

Councilperson Christine McIntosh gave an update of the organizations and activities she is involved in that both inform the work she's doing on council but also connects Euclid to other communities within the region. She is a member of 40U, a group of councilpersons under the age of 40 that are working together to elevate and bring more opportunity to our communities,

and joined the leadership team of a newly formed Arts & Culture Caucus, a multi-jurisdictional group working on improving public art policy introduced by Arts Cleveland and co-chaired by Cleveland Councilperson Matt Zone and Happy Dog owner, Sean Watterson. She is chairing Council's new Sustainability Committee and is working to form a Youth Council, a group of 13-17 year old residents that will advise city leadership on issues affecting our youngest residents. McIntosh closed the meeting by inviting residents to get in touch with her about what they'd like to be updated on in the future, and to begin thinking about what amenities they would like to see in a potential new downtown park located on the wastewater treatment tank site.

A tremendous thank you to all who attended and presented at the March 7th meeting. To learn more about any of the topics or speakers that participated in the Ward 5 Community Meeting, please contact Christine McIntosh at 216-333-8601 or cmcintosh@cityofeuclid.com.

Words are,
of course, the most
powerful drug used
by mankind.
by
Rudyard Kipling

Rep. Kent Smith Announces the Launch of Governor's Imagination Library in House District 8

by State Representative Kent Smith



Spring is coming, Euclid Observer readers, and so is the US Census! While I am not sure any of us can help with the changing of the seasons, all of us can help get everyone counted.

Starting in mid-March, information on completing the census will be mailed out to every address in Ohio's 8th House District (and the rest of the country). 95 percent of households will receive their Census info in the mail and the remaining 5 percent of households will have the form dropped off by a Census taker. The 2020 US Census is only ten questions long. To help non-English speaking residents, the Census Bureau has guides in 59 languages, American Sign

Language and braille.

April 1, 2020 is the designated Census Day. That is the day the snapshot of America will take place. Everyone needs to "count" themselves where they are on that day. In 2020, you will be able to complete the Census on-line. You will also be able to do it by phone and mail. In May and June, door-to-door Census takers will attempt to reach those who have not yet returned a completed form.

The first Census of the nation was taking in 1790 and it is the largest peacetime federal activity every ten years. The US Census provides the basis for the number of Electoral College votes each state has, the apportionment of the 435 US Congress seats, the 33 Ohio State Senate districts and the 99 Ohio House of Representative boundaries. But beyond that, the Census determines where over \$1.5 trillion of federal funds on 300+ federal programs get spent every year for the next ten years.

A couple of other important Census details:

- The Census is 100% confidential.
- The US Census Bureau will NEVER ask

for your Social Security number or bank information or money / payment.

- Public libraries will be prepared to assist on-line Census takers.

So do your part and spread the word about how important and easy the Census is and remember to send your form in.

Speaking of things to remember – PLEASE remember that the 2020 Primary Election is on March 17th this year – That's Right - St. Patrick's Day. People are going to miss it unless we remind them.

If you want to check your voter registration, the County Board of Elections phone number is 216-443-VOTE (8683). You can always contact my office at 614-466-5441 or at Rep08@OhioHouse.Gov with questions about the Census, voting or other topics.

State Representative Kent Smith represents Ohio's 8th House District which includes Euclid, South Euclid, Beachwood, Richmond Heights, East Cleveland, Woodmere Village and a little bit of the City of Cleveland.

For current
Coronavirus
information please
see Rep. Kent Smith
Ohio House page:

[ohiohouse.gov/
kent-smith](http://ohiohouse.gov/kent-smith)

The State of Ohio
Coronavirus
Hotline is

1-833-427-5634 or
visit website
coronavirus.ohio.gov

Euclid Recreation Programs

by Hannah Zavorek

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the coronavirus, all athletic facilities will be closed until further notice. This includes all baseball/softball diamonds, tennis/pickleball courts, and outdoor basketball courts. Any questions, please contact the Recreation Department at 289-2700 x8114.



Start Smart Spring Sports Ages: 4-6
April 8th-April 29th | Wednesdays | 6:45-7:30 Residents \$15 | Non- Residents \$30

Start Smart is an introductory program designed to teach young children healthy habits and fitness along with the basic fundamental skills of sports, as well

as teamwork, motor skills, and social development. Sports included will be soccer, T-ball, tennis, and track.



Summer Basketball Clinic
Residents \$25 | Non- Residents \$50
Ages: 5-7, May 4, 6, 11, 13, 6:30-7:30
Ages: 8-12, May 4, 6, 11, 13, 7:30-8:30

The clinic will focus on health and fitness along with the fundamentals of shooting,

ball handling, and passing. The clinic will take place at the NEO Sports Plant.

Euclid Soccer Academy Clinic
May 18th-May 21st
Ages: 5-7, 6:15-7:00
Ages 8-12, 7:00-7:45
Residents \$15 | Non- Residents \$30
LOCATION: Babbitt Road Soccer Fields in Memorial Park.

The Euclid Soccer Academy is for boys and girls between the ages of 5-12 Participants will learn ball-handling, shooting, and passing skills. The clinic will take place at the Babbitt Fields. All participants are required to wear shin-guards, and cleats are optional for children ages 6 and up.

Spring Tennis Lessons (Ages 5-13)
May 4th-7th | Monday-Thursday
6:30-7:30
Residents \$35 | Non-Residents \$60

The clinic will focus on health and fitness along with teaching the rules and

fundamentals of tennis. The camp will take place at the Memorial Park Tennis Courts. LOCATION: Memorial Park Tennis Courts

2020 Pool Passes
Season Passes Available
(Picture ID) – Purchased at City Hall
January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020
Individuals
Residents \$30 | Non- Resident \$60
Families up to 6
Residents \$120 | Non- Resident \$200
Each additional family member
Residents \$30 | Non- Resident \$60

Registration
All-City of Euclid Recreation Programs can be registered for at the Euclid Municipal Center located at 585 E. 222nd St. For more information, call 216-289-8114. Euclid residents are required to bring their two (2) proofs of residency into the Recreation Department once annually to receive the resident rate for the current year.

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SOFTBALL

REGISTRATION

2019 Softball League Season
April - Mid July
Resident \$75 | Non-Resident \$112
Age Groups
8U 10U 12U 14U 16U
Euclid will participate in the Willoughby Baseball League. Games will be played in Euclid, Wickliffe, Willowick, Eastlake, Willoughby and Willoughby Hills depending on the division on weekday evenings. This is a competitive recreation league.

Volunteer Coaches are welcome!

Register Today - April 7th

Spring into Ohio’s First Native Plant Month

by Kelly Parker

Along with a state bird, flower, tree, fruit, Ohio now has its first native plant month! What’s even better, is that it is here. That’s right, April has now been officially designated as Ohio Native Plant Month.

On June 27, 2019 Governor Mike DeWine signed Ohio House Bill 59 into law, which designates April as “Ohio Native Plant Month.” This is due in large part to efforts made by Former First Lady of Ohio, Hope Taft and Horticulturist, Nancy Linz. This law has been enacted to increase the awareness of Ohio’s native plants and the benefits they provide to our health, wild-life, environment, and economy. Plants, even small ones, have large impacts regarding stormwater, pollination of plants and crops, honey, carbon uptake, oxygen output, pollution reduction, food and shelter for wildlife, landscaping/aesthetics, and



soil health. Ohio is one of the first states in the country to dedicate an entire month to its native plants.

On March 31st look for our announcement on Ohio Native Plant Month and the importance of these plants. Then starting on April 1st Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District’s (SWCD) facebook page and other members of the Lake Erie Allegheny Partnership (LEAP) will promote a different native plant each day. Each post

will feature photos and a LEAP fact sheet for that specific plant.

If you would like to help celebrate Ohio Native Plant month by creating habitat in your own yard, April is the perfect time to do this and Cuyahoga SWCD is here to help you out. You can purchase native plant seed kits for all types of environments on our website. We’ve got it all from sunny to shady areas, dry to wet soil, etc. and you can order them all year long, not just in April.

You don’t have to have a yard to have native plants either. Check out some native plant sales or nurseries and try potting them on your porch, balcony, or deck.

Happy 1st Ohio Native Plant Month.

Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District staff work to implement programs and practices that protect and restore healthy soil and water resources. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: at “cuyahogawcd” and on YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCWvI3DtNisjhJe64jKiS9Cg

To read Kelly’s full blog: <https://www.cuyahogawcd.org/blog/2020/03/24/spring-into-ohios-first-native-plant-month>

Additional Resources:

<https://www.cuyahogawcd.org/programs/native-seed-tree-and-plant-kit-sales>

<https://www.cuyahogawcd.org/programs/rain-gardens-and-native-plants>



Fr. Joe’s Weekly Video Nurtures the Spirit

by Bev Caldwell

Our Lady of the Lake, like other parishes in Ohio, heeded the order of the Ohio Bishops in response to the Corona Virus to cancel all Masses and prayer gatherings to align with the Governor’s directive. However, Fr. Joe found a way to reach the faithful via a weekly video to nurture the spirit.

“With Fr. Joe at the Table of the Word” is a weekly video that includes a reading of the upcoming Sunday gospel, a homiletic commentary, prayers of the faithful and any pertinent announcements. Slated for a weekly 4pm Saturday time slot on the parish website, olleuclid.org, the new video is distributed through several media platforms with links to the site that are easily accessible.

In his first video, Fr. Joe talked about the table where the word is read and reflected upon. “This table belongs to my family and was given to me to use here in the rectory dining room.” Next to him sat his family portrait and he shared that his family had many a happy gathering at that table, including his late father. He spoke about the fact that since the table has been in the rectory, staff and parishioners alike have gathered around that table for many fun and meaningful meetings. So he thought it was appropriate to reach out to his “family”, his parishioners, from that family table.

The first video aired on Saturday, March 21st and celebrated the Fourth Sunday of Lent with a focus on the gospel of the blind man who encounters Je“sus. “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” The second video aired on Saturday, March 28th and celebrated the Fifth Sunday of Lent and the raising of Lazarus from the dead. “Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?” Fr. Joe provided inciteful homiletic responses to both gospels with compassionate subtle references to the current situation during this time of isolation.

Response to the videos has been inspiring. With times so bleak, people just needed a spiritual pick me up and the videos provide just that.

“We watched your video (at the table) this Sunday morning. We really enjoyed it and found it very comforting. We miss our church community but this really helps.”

“Hi Fr. Joe, Just wanted to say that you will never know how much it meant to me to hear and see your homily today! Not going to get” mushy” but it made me feel much more at ease. Thanks for the GOOD NEWS!! Oh and tell Melissa it was great to hear her voice too!”

“Thank you for your insight and interpretation of today’s gospel. In its own way the virus is helping people communicate more often. My brothers and I have a daily texting now... The world is smaller than we think. As someone I know said ‘the virus is like gods way of telling us to stop fighting like children, go to our rooms and work for a common cause in unity.’ Enjoy the sunshine today.”



“I just wanted to thank you for the video gospel and homily. It is very helpful to see you and hear your thoughts in these troubling times. I find your hopefulness and honesty refreshing.”

“This was wonderful! Looking forward to this each week - stay well”

“Thank you..... It’s good to be home”

“Thank you Father Joe for uniting us in scripture and prayer. We really need this right now”

“Thoughtful and encouraging. Thanks Fr. Joe! “

“Grateful, he is a wonderful human being”

“Thank you! I love this idea — it helps fill the gap in my weekend created by not being able to go to Mass. This is a great idea for “meeting the needs of parishioners who cannot attend mass.

Hope it can continue Thank you Father Joe. Peace and health be with you.”

“Thanks for all you have done to make this happen. It was quite a true support and blessing! Thank you, for those of us (like me) who do not have a Facebook account.”

“Thank you so much for the gospel and stations of the cross videos. These are very much appreciated at this time.”

“Thanks for putting these videos on the website. They are very uplifting and prayerful for me. Hope you are all well. God bless, Thanks for sharing.. Thank you so much. Thank you for this. I am grateful to receive this.”

Our Lady of the Lake Parish is celebrating it’s 10 year anniversary this year and embraces the phrase “All Are Welcome” which reflects the philosophy of the parish that is known for reaching out to the community and embracing all who come through its doors.

New Ways to
Connect
During Stay at
Home Directive

These resources are intended to support and nourish you and your family during these challenging times. Please go to olleuclid.org and look for links to the videos and bulletin.

Weekly Video - With Fr. Joe at the Table of the Word - Each Saturday at 4pm but can be viewed anytime during the week. Videos scheduled to celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Daily Video - Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine - Each Weekday at 3pm but can be viewed anytime.

Parish Bulletin - Posted on the parish website and now emailed to parishioners and those who request being added to the email list.

Blessed Palms - We are currently investigating ways to get blessed palms to folks while being respectful of social distancing and the Governor’s directives. We will keep you posted.

Prayers - Fr. Joe and staff are praying for the parish and school families and community. Although our parish office is temporarily closed, we continue to check our messages. God Bless Everyone!

A Heartfelt Gesture: Stations of the Cross Video at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine

by Bev Caldwell

Our Lady of the Lake School has an engaged administrative team: Principal, Jenny Millett, and Assistant Principal, Lauren Zbiegien. These two are known for putting their heads together to think outside of the box and at this unusual time - they did just that.

The two thoughtful administrators, decided to make a video tour of the Stations of the Cross by walking the stations at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid with a camera to video tape the stations for those students and adults who cannot get there themselves. When the order came to stay at home, the video took on a new significance.

“I guess the idea came from the fact that we are a Catholic school and during Lent, we focus on the Stations of the Cross. We knew there had to be a way to still share this experience with our students, so we

decided to visit Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine and take some videos”, Lauren Zbiegien explained. Ms. Zbiegien continued, “Mrs Millett and I really wanted our school community to stay connected and have faith filled opportunities.”

Adding Catholic Online reflections to each station and music from Melissa Gali-Bird and the OLL Music Ministries, the video takes the viewer each weekday on a virtual tour of the next station of the cross reflection (14 stations plus 2 extra videos) up to Good Friday, ending with the image of the Resurrection Statue, as we look collectively toward the celebration of Easter. OLL’s talented video editor, Nicole Hufford ties all the elements together, resulting in a Station of the Cross video released each weekday at 3pm. Nicole is also the video editor working behind the scenes of Fr. Joe’s weekly videos.



The arch of the Stations of the Cross at Our Lady



Video editor Nicole Hufford working from home.

Donate to OLL School Walkathon

by Bev Caldwell

You can make a difference to support the OLL School Walkathon that was originally scheduled for Wed. May 6th. As the students are now at home, online donations

are still a valid way to cheer the students and faculty on as their aim is to raise money for the school! The monies raised are to help purchase much needed items for the school.

To donate to your favorite student or to the school in general, go to the website olleuclid.weshare.org. Every dollar makes a difference!



Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Mrs. Davis on Imagine Bella Academy of Excellence’s Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school year!

She was recognized as the regional teacher of the year for all Imagine Schools in Akron, Cleveland, and Toledo.

We are so proud to have Mrs. Davis as part of our team with experience and high expectations for students.

Congrats Mrs. Davis!



March Moments: Special memories and looking ahead to spring!



Reading leaders take time to read to our first grade readers!

Virtual Learning

Teachers are posting instruction and many more resources to Class Dojo. Printed packets of student work are available at the school during pickup and drop-off hours. Connect with your teacher on ClassDojo for more details!



Fifth graders did a buddy reading time with first grade students!



Mrs. Davis is keeping her competition going with “Status of the Class” to track reading!

Connect with Class Dojo on your device!



Mrs. Nie’s class enjoying a sunny day while working on Science!



Kindergarten puppet show gives us a chance to use the puppets we made in Art class!



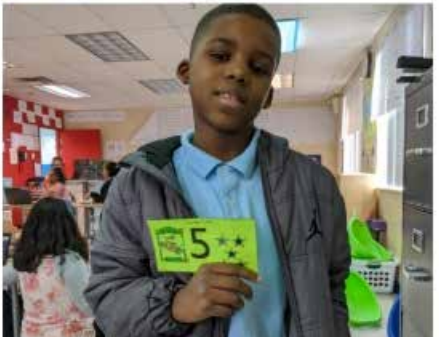
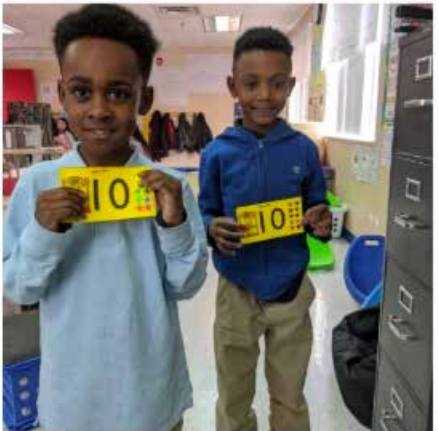
Spring art of bird printmaking and crayon rubbing leaves!

Spring Dance

Imagine Bella was able to hold our first spring dance in early March. The dance was held as a fundraiser for future student activities and field trips. Staff transformed the cafeteria into our dance hall and students had fun dressing up for the fun!



We are dressed to impress!



Moving up the Super Improver Wall. Way to go Mr. W’s second graders!



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. CREDIBILITY.

Bringing black history to life for students

Euclid City Schools build-ings went above and be-yond in February to bring Black History Month to life for students.

Our Early Learning Village teachers spent the month portraying different histor-ical figures. The school en-couraged students to dress up as their favorite Afri-can-American heroes and share facts about their lives on this past Thursday.

“The students were excit-ed to portray their African American Heroes and to see their classmates’ creativ-ity as well,” said teacher Tina Stump, who organized ac-tivities at the Early Learning Village. “Our students are chips off the old blocks; teachers and staff have been dressing up through-out the month. The adults dressed up as Sojourner Truth, Serena Williams, Zora Neale Hurston, Simone Biles, Oprah Winfrey, Rosa Parks, and Mae Jemison to name a few.”

Zaniyah B., a senior at Euclid High School, and former teacher Chanelle McCloud hosted Black His-tory Month assemblies at the high school. The assemblies followed the theme “Embrace Ambition and Black Excellence.” Stu-dent performers presented songs, dances and poems

either performed by or in-spired by graduates of his-torically black colleges or universities.

These are just some ex-amples. Chardon Hills Mag-net School held its first Black History Month tour-nament as students shared their knowledge. Bluestone Elementary and the Ear-ly Learning Village invit-ed community members and parents to read with students. Central Middle School,

Bluestone Elementary and Shoreview Elementary held assemblies while Shoreview hosted a Black History Month potluck.

These activities go be-yond sharing the typical les-sons about African-Amer-icans and show students the impact that African-Amer-icans continue to have on culture, technology and so many other aspects of our lives.

“We are planting seeds of curiosity in our children,” Ms. Stump said. “We hope they have gained the desire to explore their culture, their ancestry and American History in its entirety.”

Pictured: Early Learning Village (top) and Euclid High School (right) hold events to commemorate Black History Month



Schools celebrate Read Across America Week

From read-a-thons to mismatched socks days, our schools joined others nationwide in celebrating Read Across America Week the first week of March.

Students at Shoreview Elementary took turns reading Dr. Seuss books on March 2 in honor of the late children’s author Theodor Seuss Geisel, known for books like “Cat in the Hat” and “Green Eggs and Ham.” We celebrate March 2, his birthday, as Dr. Seuss Day.

Shoreview and other schools including our Early Learning Village celebrated days like “Mismatched Sock Day” and “Wacky Wednesday.” The Early Learning Village also sent a reading log home with students encouraging their families to read with them.

Euclid Schools empha-size reading continuously through events held at schools and features like reading nooks in our ele-mentary buildings.

Read Across America Week is dedicated to motivating children to read as research shows children who spend more time reading do better in school. Please continue the celebration at home by reading with your children and encouraging them to read.

Reading inspires them to love learning and leads to higher grades in all sub-jects, not just reading. Reading at an early age expands children’s vo-cabulary and makes them more fluent and proficient readers.



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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. CREDIBILITY.

EHS National Honor Society inducts new members

Euclid High School’s chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 35 new members in March as administrators, teachers and family members celebrated their accomplishments.

The National Honor Society encourages students to focus on four values: Scholarship, service, leadership and character. There are chapters in every state as well as U.S. territories, Canada and around the world.

Current NHS officers joined Euclid City Schools Superintendent Christopher Papouras and Euclid High School Head of Campus Janis Svoboda in complimenting the inductees.

“Be the champions of treating others with kindness and compassion,” Mr. Papouras said. “We need more of that in the world.”

“We are so proud of the work you put in when no one else is watching,” said Mrs. Svoboda. “We couldn’t be more proud of the things you have done for our school and our community. We have great students at Euclid High School who do great things every day.”

The induction ceremony was entirely planned and facilitated by the NHS student members led by president Janiya Mason, vice president Kadaia Williams and secretary Isabella Johnson.

Euclid Schools would like to thank teacher Ron Zucca for his dedication to the National Honor Society and for mentoring the students through the process.

Students inducted include: Artrez Alexander, Olivia Augustine, Isabel Baca, Ayanna Bridges, Patrice Calvin, Sam Carlson, Treyshon Clark, Breanna Clayton, De’Mari Clopton, Nadia Cook, Deyon Davis, Ashley Earman, Hailey French, Ashley Garrett, Ja’Niya Gilner, De’Miere Hansbro, Na’Im Hobson, Kymearra Ingram, Ty’Shari Johnson, Jaydah Lardill, Abigail Manchook,



Faith Matlock, Nikayla McKinney, Kyrin Morris, Summer Nattles, Daade Pack, Kobe Patrick, Kaylonna Robinson, Haley Santos, Christina Saterides, Jasmin Shakir, Kiya Sharif, Nicole Stauffer, Alana Thigpen, Jaden White, Makiyay Williams, and Cat-
era Wofford.

Current members include: Janiya Mason (president), Kadaia Williams (vice president), Isabella Johnson (secretary), Jordan Brown, Chrislynn Brownless, Mariah Childress, Taylor Curtain, Maggie Elkins, Kayla Granito, Dylan Gray, Meghan Grisez, Gwen Hale, Ini Inyang, Kaleb Johnson, Da’Shanel Nicols, Chaniya Perkins, Catherine Webb and Janet Wittine.

Congratulations to this year’s inductees and thank you to members.

Euclid student receives Chinese Art Performance grand prize

Hong Zenisek, a Mandarin Chinese teacher at Euclid High School, recently announced that high school student Cadence Barr won a grand prize at the Chinese Art Performance Competition held by the Confucius Institute at Cleveland State University.

Cadence, competing against many performers including local professional performing groups, won the Outstanding Performance plaque. She was chosen to perform at the Confucius Institute’s Chinese New Year Celebration held Feb. 1. Her routine was a baton twirling dance called “Twirling for Love” to the Chinese hip-pop song “All About You.”

“People were very impressed by her performance at the Chinese New Year Celebration,” said Ms. Zenisek.

“I was very proud of her for her win, especially since she was competing with some of the professional groups.”



Arbor opens dedicated science lab

Our schools strive to teach students the skills they need to be successful. Several of our buildings do so by having programs dedicated to teaching science.

Arbor Elementary, under the direction of Arbor Principal LaWanda Johnson, has created a dedicated science lab to give special meaning to science instruction. District science coach Michelle McGarry said all resources are consolidated in the science room and available for all students to use.

“By having the science resources more visible, they are sparking teachers to incorporate more science into their weekly plans,” she said.

Another benefit? “When students leave their regular classroom they are getting into the mindset of thinking like a scientist. Thinking like a scientist is based on asking and answering questions. Students may design an experiment to try to answer their question and test their hypothesis. From the results of their experiment, they draw conclusions and analyze evidence.”

Michelle Davis, a fifth-

grade science teacher at Arbor, said grades 3rd through 5th use the room. It gives them a place to focus solely on science as they attempt to integrate more science into the curriculum.

“I love it,” she said. “Everywhere they look it’s just science. They get to act like little scientists. It’s nice to have this space.”

She said students seem to be more focused and attentive and are constantly asking questions about what they are learning.

Chardon Hills Magnet School has also developed

a science lab that supports its Engineering is Elementary units.

Dedicating time and resources to science instruction helps students meet state science standards. The importance of science education goes beyond that. From the technology they use to the world they live in, science is everywhere in these students’ lives. Resources like the dedicated science room help them understand it better. Learning about scientific methods also teaches them how to ask questions and seek answers in life.





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SJN Kids Love Theater!

by David Peck

St. John Nottingham’s Kindergarten through Third grade classes had the opportunity to invite “Kids Love Musicals!” to visit us recently. Kids Love Musicals is a theatrical group that supports the State of Ohio K-5 curriculum standards in Language Arts, Music, Drama, Dance and Physical Education. This is a hands-on 2 day classroom residency program that brings American Musicals into the classroom. Our students have experienced “Your a Good Man Charlie Brown” , “Cinderella,” “Jungle Book”, “The Wizard of Oz”



and this year “Jungle Book”.

This was a hands on classroom experience that my 3rd graders thoroughly enjoyed. Kids Love Musicals brought the theatrical material, music, costumes to make this experience complete. Observing my students work together enjoying music, simple dance steps, dressing up along with learning about musical history was a complete success. My students enjoyed this experience and asked for a continued experience which led the teachers to proceed to Playhouse Square to enjoy Eric Carl’s “The Very Hungry Caterpillar”.



Hail to the Chief

by David Peck

Since August, St. John-Nottingham’s 5th Grade Social Studies class has been learning about two US Presidents a week, from Washington to Trump. Students have read small biographies, learned a few interesting facts, and worked hard to memorize a list of the president’s names in chronological order. All in preparation for memory test on all 45 Commanders-in-Chief. Mr. Lawlor, St. John-Nottingham’s History and Humanities Instructor, decided to make the test a bit more interesting and offered that any student who was able to achieve a perfect score



would be rewarded with a candy bar.

Challenge accepted! Never far from her small stack of well-worn flash cards, Aniya began studying back in September. Brooklyn, pictured in the middle, appears without a candy bar, “I gave up candy for Lent.” she reminded Mr. Lawlor. Brooklyn was quite pleased with the peanut butter filled pretzels she received in lieu of sweets.

“Once you get presidents one through thirty, it becomes easy.” Stated the ever modest Jay’veon Levitt. Jay’veon, not only listed all 45 presidents in perfect order but, was also able to answer a series of bonus questions including, “Name all Eight Presidents from Ohio.” and, “Who was the first president to live in the White House?” No, it isn’t George Washington. How about it, do you know? Are you smarter than a 5th Grader?



Students Lend a Helping Hand

by David Peck

The ancient Greek, Dionysius of Syracuse, once recounted of how plain and unseasoned the food of the Spartans was compared to the food found in other of the Greek city-states. He would go on to explain that the Spartans required no seasoning for their food, often pain broth and porridge, because they would work so hard during the day and always push themselves to the limit with “hard-hunting, labor, sprinting, and sweating” that they would build up such a hunger and thirst, so any food would taste like a banquet. Unlike the ancient Spartans, we don’t push our students to hunger and thirst however, we do encourage a strong sense of responsibility and work-ethic.

“Hard work can be a virtue unto itself” stated Mr. Alec Lawlor, SJN’s History and Humanities teacher and the organizer of the weekend service project. “We want our students to learn that problem solving, and ‘stick-to-itiveness’ are helpful skills in coping with and overcoming each challenge they may face in life.”

Students were invited to the school on a Friday off to help teachers clean-out classrooms and move materials to get ready for the 4th and Final Quarter of the school year. This involved hauling boxes and books and tossing out some old and broken school equipment from years past. “I enjoy helping.

Working hard to achieve something feels good and I’m proud to help others” mused Bishop Elie – 6th Grade Student, when asked how felt about giving up a day off.

“Selfless actions, like this, show that their hearts are truly in the spirit of what we do at SJN.” observed Kaitlin Streb, SJN’s Science and Art instructor. “Our students could be doing a billion other things at home and yet they came here to help their teachers. That speaks volumes about their character and who they want to be.”



6th-grader Bishop Elie and 7th-grader Joshua Robinson take a break with Gershwin, the school dog.

The volunteers were rewarded for their hard work with pizza and some fun play time in the gym with Gershwin, SJN’s unofficial School Dog. (There was even word of one teacher handing out Homework passes to the volunteers. “Not that the volunteers need them. Because they don’t” the Anonymous teacher was reported in saying.

When asked what lessons can be learned by moving boxes around, Mr. Lawlor commented, “Vocation is central to what I was taught while being brought-up in a Lutheran School.” He went on to explain, “It’s [vocation] the idea that we, as Christians, best serve God by serving our neighbor. By serving the world.”

Martin Luther’s Doctrine of Vocation, to love and serve our neighbors, has been central to Luther teachings for the past 500 years. It is central to what we teach and instill in our students at SJN. The concept of vocation or service is important in teaching skills that help students, not only learn, but to resist narcissism and selfishness. Vocation is also important in teaching students empathy and kindness. Or, as Theologian Uwe Siemon-Netto put it, “The doctrine of vocation endeavors to turn the human mind away from the self and toward the neighbor.”

SJN Takes Second in State Finals

by David Peck

Under the leadership of Coach DePriest, the St. John Nottingham 7-8th Grade Boys Basketball team took 2nd Place in the All-Ohio Tournament this year. The boys worked very hard to earn this! If it wasn’t for the fact that it was unfortunately cancelled due to the current health crisis, the next step would have been the National Tournament in Valparaiso, Indiana, where we are sure they would have done us proud!

Congratulations to Jayden Ferguson, Ari Jones, Evan Murphy, Jaylin Reid, Joshua Robinson, Dennis Tripp, Londen Dukes, Matt Gary, Dominis Scott, Andre Spinks, Andrew Spinks, and, of course, Coach DePriest and his staff!





24 VASJ students inducted into National Honor Society

by Kristen Mott '09

Twenty-four VASJ students were inducted into the National Honor Society on Wednesday, March 4. These students were recognized for their commitment to the values of scholarship, service, leadership and character.

The ceremony included the presentation of medals and the lighting of candles in honor of the four pillars of the National Honor Society. Jakki Nance, president of Philanthropic Solutions, Ltd. and a national board member of Autism Speaks, as well as an advisory board member of VASJ, served as guest speaker.

Congratulations to the following students on being new inductees:

Seniors:
Jay'Mai Chatman
John Parker
Nneka Scott
Leah Stanoch

Juniors:
Kay Besa
Ashley Holbrook
Ashanti Johnson
Natavia Johnson
Clarke Moore
Jasmine Riddle
Faith Thompson
Paul Wise

Sophomores:
Kelsey Armen
Melana Blase
Abigail Buzdon
Lewis Davis
Josephine DiDona
Jaylen Felder
Joshua Hatcher
Thomas Kelsey
BK Kwasniak
Paul Paciorek
Emily Reichert
Zac Tizzano



VASJ students compete in Ohio Governor's Youth Art Exhibition



by Kristen Mott '09

Eight students at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School competed in the Ohio Governor's Youth Art Exhibition on Saturday, March 7.

Congratulations to the following students:

Margaret Radachy
Amara Hill
Yzabella Estacio
Alexandria Parker

Hannah Brown
Lucia Vidmar
Emmy Rowell
Erin Haley
The Ohio Governor's Youth Art Exhibition, now in its 50th year, is dedicated to the educational and artistic advancement of talented young people in the state of Ohio. The exhibition is open to all of Ohio's 1,112 high schools, both public and private.

Continue the Dream gala postponed

Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School, in cooperation with the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, is closely monitoring updates on COVID-19.

The health and safety of our community members and supporters is our top priority. As such, Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School's Continue the Dream gala scheduled for Saturday, May 16 has been postponed. The event will be rescheduled for a date later in the year. We will communicate when a



new date has been identified. We greatly appreciate the support of the gala thus far. Please join us in praying for the health and safety of all our community members during this time.

VASJ Academic Decathlon team finishes second in small school division

by Kristen Mott '09

The VASJ Academic Decathlon Team competed in the state finals the weekend of March 6 and finished second in the Small School Division. The team accumulated 34 medals: 12 gold, 12 silver and 10 bronze. The medal count included two in speech, two in interview, two in literature, two in science, three in essay, three in art, four in music, four in social science, five in economics and seven in mathematics.

The team swept the mathematics category with four gold medals and three silver medals.

Team members were seniors Davante Callahan, Devon Crosby,



John Parker and John Michalski; juniors Mark Ballard, Autumn Redd, Michael Strother, Clarke Moore and Matthew Ballard; and freshman Roland Ivy Jr.

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Euclid–Morris Ave. Great location! This 2 bedroom colonial, offers front three season sun room and first floor laundry. Minutes to school, library, park, and public transportation. \$54,900



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Quarantine-cation

(continued from front page)

9. Look in fridge for leftover Chinese. Gone.

10. Watch another “Law & Order.” Viewer discretion is advised. Jerry Orbach? Really?

11. CNN reports on new ways for me to die. Starvation might be one if I don’t ever leave here.

12. Mail arrives. All cat food coupons from Marc’s.

13. Peek in fridge again. Still nothing.

14. Go on cat videos.com. No likes.

15. Resort socks. One missing.

16. Guy on FaceBook is cutting rolls of paper towels in half to make toilet paper. What is wrong with people?

17. Finally found an episode of “Law & Order” I haven’t seen twice.

18. Was just notified that H&M is a having sale. What is H&M? Headboards and Mat-tresses?
19. Goldfish missing. Cat looks guilty.

20. Found new internet talk show where ce-lebrities eat hot wings. That’s not entertain-ment. That’s Tuesday at the bar after work.

21. New York Times Sunday Magazine is the music issue. The only artist I recognize is Taylor Swift and I’ve never heard a single one of her songs.

22. Talking head on CNN said try not breath when in public places.

23. Found ten year old bottle of hand sani-tizer in bathroom closet. No expiration date. Didn’t taste that bad.

24. News report says Genesis Breyer P-Or-ridge had died. Who? That’s what I said.

25. Researchers at Johns Hopkins University report that in Hubei China, where the virus was first discovered, 67,760 people have been infected. Out of a population of 59 million that is an incidence rate of 0.11percent. That means 99.89 percent were not infected. I’m going to the bar. Bar of soap. Again.

Pasta Dinner

by Irene Kazmierczak

The Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity have announced their Pasta Dinner fundraiser dates.

The dinners will be held on Thursday April 23, May 21 and June 18 from 4:30pm until 6:45pm. Dinners are \$9 and include Pasta, meatballs, salad or apple sauce, bread and butter, coffee or tea. The setup will depend on state mandates as to whether it will be take-out only or if dining is available. All are welcome.

The dinners are located at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in the dining room. The dining room is in the process of being renovated. Please come to check out the

changes to our facility.

The shrine is located at 21281 Chardon Road in Euclid. Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine is owned and operated by the Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity.

Don’t forget the gift shop is available for your special purchases. The shop has a large selection of gift items for Baptism, First Communion, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, Wedding and Anniversary celebrations. The card room is very well stocked with a selection of religious themed cards for many occasions. Due to ever changing circumstances related to the coronovirus, call the gift shop to find out their current hours and availability at 216-481-0900.

The Importance of Saving for an Emergency

By David Godek

Most Ohioans are actively saving for emergency expenses but many still are struggling financially and can’t pay for an unexpected expense.

The 2020 Prosperity Now Scorecard found 68.4 percent of Ohio households have savings accounts, the Ohio Credit Union League reports.

“That’s a great majority – and about on par with national trends,” said Mike Losneck, CEO of Eaton Family Credit Union. “But just having a savings account doesn’t necessarily guarantee individuals are adequately setting aside enough money for an emergency.”

Prosperity Now found 71 percent of US households have a savings account.

The Credit Union League reports Americans who lack emergency savings – or enough money to get through a major financial shock – increased from 36.8 percent in 2018 to 40 percent in 2019. Ohio fared slightly better where 59.2 percent of

households kept emergency savings in the past year.

According to two recent studies, some Americans, including Ohioans, are not on track toward building a healthy savings account for the future.

A study from Bankrate.com found 21 percent of Americans have no set savings plan meaning they don’t regularly put money from each paycheck into savings and nearly a quarter of respondents to an America Saves pledge chose “emergency savings” as their first wealth-building goal.

“There’s no time like the present to start putting money aside for your financial future,” Losneck said. “Credit unions are here to improve our Members’ lives and can be a great partner to help you save for the future.”

The Ohio Credit Union League offered these tips for building solid saving habits:

If you’re a beginner, start small. Even if you start by saving a small amount, focus on the

Individual Acts of Conservation



by Jared Bartley

We may be keeping away from each other, but TOGETHER we can still make a difference for our local soil, water, wildlife and neighborhoods.

Individually, you can pick up litter in your neighborhood or nearby stream. But TOGETHER, we can stop plastic pollution in Lake Erie.

Individually, you can plant native plants and shrink your lawn. But TOGETHER, we can give pollinators a place to thrive.



Individually, you can install a rain garden or rain barrel. But TOGETHER, we can eliminate stormwater pollution in our rivers and streams.

Individually, you can plant a tree. But TOGETHER we can make Cleveland and Cuyahoga County the Forest City once more.

Even though we are living apart for a little while, TOGETHER through our Individual Acts of Conservation we can change the world.



Join us and let us know about your Individual Act of Conservation. Our form is available online at <https://www.cuyahog-aswcd.org/programs/individual-acts-of-conservation>

Please fill out our form to tell us about your Individual Act of Conservation. We’ll share it so that we can all see how we are changing Cuyahoga County and the world for the better - TOGETHER.

Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District staff work to implement programs and practices that protect and restore healthy soil and water resources. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: at“cuyahogaswcd” and on YouTube.



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Euclid’s Trees: Time to Identify

by Roy Larick
Euclid’s urban forest is special. Our trees absorb stormwater, sequester carbon and release oxygen. Underlying surfaces are kept cool during the summer. The city is beautified. What can we do for our forest in return?

We can begin by taking stock. I propose Euclidian Trees, a citizen science initiative to explore for distinctive trees and to contribute knowledge about them. As residents, let’s identify individual trees and tree groups that stand out in size, shape, rarity, place in the city, general beauty, history, and personal connections.

Let’s find striking examples of legacy native trees and adaptable newcomers. We need to locate distinctive trees off the beaten path: those nestled in ravines, at abandoned industrial sites, etc. Street and front yard



A fine Red Oak on Grand Blvd.

trees are important but of secondary concern here.

Begin with our oldest, hardest trees. Euclid has had seven documented Moses Cleaveland trees but just three survive in 2020. Moreover, legacy natives such as beech and sugar maple are poorly adapted to urban disturbance and warming climate. Let’s find the best examples before they pass from our midst!

Looking to the newcomers, future tree candidates should be adaptable to a warming climate and be well placed for public visibility and maintenance. Select future tree species can help repopulate our aging woodlands. They can show us how the urban forest will look in coming decades.

Euclidian Trees has a Google My Maps site currently displaying the locations for some



Magnificent bur oak on E 241st St. One of Euclid’s three surviving Moses Cleaveland

60 legacy trees and a 14 legacy tree groups. The map is based on my personal knowledge. Several areas of the city are unrepresented, and all areas have more notable trees.

Get outside and search (be careful about trespassing). Distinctive trees are best explored in April and early May, before full leaf-out. Best to ID trees as leaves emerge in mid-May. Perhaps you already have a tree guidebook hanging around. More fun—and more accurate—are amazing (and free) tree ID smart phone apps.

The Bluestone Heights Facebook page has more information on identifying trees and is the place to post data. Specific questions can go to roylarick@gmail.com.

The Euclid Shade Tree Commission will report on Euclidian Trees during the annual Pond and Garden Tour planned for July. The most distinctive tree of each species found will be featured. Euclidian Trees results will help direct the City of Euclid’s Urban Forest Management Plan.

To paraphrase naturalist John Bates: Forests, even urban forests, connect us with deep time. Some trees come from two cen

turies ago. Others will venture two centuries to come. In a forest, we can sense that time takes place. Let’s learn about Euclid’s trees to deepen understanding of our place and how we may treat it better.



Evans Park White Oak, one of Euclid’s three Moses Cleaveland trees.

Gateway Pointe 55+ Living in Euclid

Gateway Pointe Senior Apartments is ready to move in and under new ownership by a very well seasoned NE Ohio real estate company! The owners of Gateway Pointe hope to breathe new life into this well-known property and hope to drive more beneficial traffic to the area and surrounding businesses. Gateway Pointe has 1 and 2 bedroom units with spacious floor plans and new cosmetic designs. 2 bedroom/1bathroom units are currently available and include a stackable washer-dryer hookup. 2 bedroom/2bathroom units are also available and include standard washer-dryer hookups.

Gateway Pointe is under new ownership and continually doing complex-wide improvements! For the first time in decades, units and common areas are being remodeled with striking and modern colors and architectural designs! The flowing theme of blues and greys brings a stylish flare to the building and surrounding area.

Remodeled units for the first time in decades! All-inclusive rent (heating/cooling/water, internet, tv)

Please note that this is a facility for residents 55+ y/o only

BATHROOM: updates with luxury vinyl floor, new vanity, sink, Moen faucet, mirror, shower trim, shower rod, light, toilet and hardware. We will feature the nicest remodeled bathroom compared to any apartment and most homes in the area.

KITCHEN: all appliances will be replaced such as new fridges and stoves.

BEDROOMS: updated colors, new vinyl blinds, light fixtures, satin nickel door hardware and large closets

ENTIRE UNIT UPGRADES: modern satin door handles, door stops, new door hinges, (3) 10 year sealed lithium ion battery smoke detectors, all LED energy efficient light fixtures, new plumbing shut off valves, new plumbing waterlines, all new switches, outlets, cover plates.

EXTERIOR: spacious parking lot with spots in the front and side, multiple entrances, 20 garage spots for additional fee, private community grounds, rear patio and sitting area

LOCATION – 4 Gateway Dr. Euclid, OH 44119, behind home depot, convenient location, under new ownership!

LAUNDRY: our building has (2) washers and (2) dryers on each floor. 2b/1b has stackable 2b/2b has side-by-side washer

ACTIVITIES AND EXTRAS: morning exercise, Bingo, weekly scheduled activities, monthly birthday parties, holiday parties in large community room, cable ready, all-inclusive rent!

Call Cindy for a private showing of units: 216-383-1459



Fully renovated kitchen with new cabinets, fixtures, countertops and appliances



View of kitchen from living space, all new appliances



Spacious living space off kitchen with nice view of backyard. Modern blue paint with breand new vinyl flooring

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Perspective

by Dana Heil

So, a few days ago, Governor Mike DeWine issued a “Stay at Home” order to most people in the state of Ohio. When announcing it, he and Dr. Acton talked about the sacrifice involved. Although this situation is not ideal and it is a little bit inconvenient, I don’t know that I consider anything that I am doing a real sacrifice when I think about the situation that other people have gone through and are still going through.

I don’t share my perspective in judgement of anyone else. Everyone’s situation is different and the way we deal with these situations is different. I share my thoughts with you because they actually promoted a feeling of gratitude and appreciation in me and made me feel like what I am going through at the moment is very manageable.

The Stay at Home order issued still allows me to shop for groceries, go to the drug store or pick up some food at local restaurants. I can walk around the block. I spend time in my yard, weeding the garden or

walking the dog. I can wave to my neighbors or shout a greeting over the fence. I can get in the car and take a ride. I am not a captive in my home to be sure.

I know that there are places in this world where families feel homebound because of the violence they see around them. Girls are not able walk to school because they fear kidnapping and human traffickers. In this country, children are not able to go into their yards for fear of gangs or stray bullets. They are used to being confined in small places for their safety.

And then there are those people who dream of being confined to a home. The immigrants forced from their homes because of war. Those that have fled their homes because of violence. The homeless that live on our streets every day of the year.

For some people being homebound is very difficult and even dangerous. Those with mental illness or who are developmentally disabled that are losing their usual support

system and their caretakers are suffering. The homebound elderly that depend on visits from friends and relatives for their mental and physical well being suffer being isolated. Hopefully there are other ways to reach out to this population. This is also a dangerous time for those in abusive situations. I pray that they find a way to stay safe.

And then this morning I saw this on Facebook:

“To put things in perspective for those of us feeling a bit stir crazy already – Anne Frank and 7 other people hid in a 450 sq. ft. attic for 761 days, quietly trying to remain undiscovered to stay alive. We can all do our part to keep everyone safe and spend a few weeks at home.”

I know when I was in school, everyone read The Diary of Anne Frank. I don’t know if that’s still the case. If you have a teenager or a young person in your life that hasn’t read it, you might want to recommend it. After seeing that quote, all I could think was yes, this situation is a little inconvenient but hardly a sacrifice for me.

I pray that everyone stays safe and healthy and that when this is all over and life returns to normal, our new normal life is a filled with a little more kindness and appreciation for everyone we meet.



Committed to Serving Our Customers 24/7

by Kevin Harrison

Euclid, OH (March 2020) - HELP Foundation Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District will continue to protect the community, environment with wastewater treatment and stormwater management services

Cleveland (March 19, 2020) – The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District remains committed to protecting the environment and announces the following measures to ensure core services and water quality are maintained. The agency’s commitment to customers and the environment will endure the COVID-19 pandemic, and service will continue 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

“Life at the moment is far from business as usual,” said Kyle Dreyfuss-Wells, CEO. “But our water professionals and processes are in place to ensure customers can expect business as usual from our work as a utility.”

What changes?

Customer Service

Beginning Thursday, March 19, the Sewer District’s Customer Service team is shifting wholly to a call-back option and online communication platform. Customers will have the following options available to reach Customer Service:

Submit a question to askus@neorsd.org
Submit a question at www.neorsd.org
Leave a message at 216-881-8247
Submit a question via Twitter @neorsd or Facebook

Customers are asked to include their name, address, phone number, NEORSD account number and a brief description of their inquiry. A Customer Service representative will respond within 24 hours.

Any non-billing EMERGENCY calls should be directed to the NEORSD Security Office at 216-432-7333.

Public Events

The educational outreach team has suspended public events.

The Board of Trustees will still gather as a voting body but appropriate social distancing will be enacted. Meetings are the first

and third Thursday of each month at 12:30 p.m. and the general public is invited to listen to the meeting live by calling 614-407-0382 (access code 692118).

What stays the same:

Treating Wastewater and Managing Stormwater
Operations and maintenance, as well as security, continue their work treating wastewater and managing stormwater 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Emergency response and other critical staff is on-hand and readily available to assist our Member Communities and public agencies.

In addition, the Sewer District’s nationally-recognized laboratory continues to test water and wastewater samples daily, protecting public health and the environment.

What customers need to know:

Available Programs

Information about the Sewer District’s Affordability and Crisis Assistance Programs is available online at <https://www.neorsd.org/save> or by contacting Customer Service.

“The City of Cleveland has temporarily suspended shut-off actions and we are supporting them in this effort. If you are in need of further crisis billing assistance, please contact us,” said Dreyfuss-Wells.

Wipes Clog Pipes

Lastly, News reports and social media are reporting customers seeking creative alternatives to toilet paper. The Sewer District urgently reminds everyone that products like wipes, facial tissues and paper towels should NOT be flushed. Flushing products other than toilet paper or bodily waste endangers your home plumbing and our systems down the line.

Get on the Bandwagon to Make Euclid Better

By Jean Brehm

Here’s another review you won’t publish and since you think I have so much time on my hands, I will use some of it to write back so read this:

Euclid needs a paper similar to the old Euclid Sun Journal or the one published by Mary Jo Minarik. Residents are kept in the dark concerning what is happening in Euclid....crime, drugs, thefts, trash, city administration, ‘nuisance deer’, city services, lazy residents who need to be told to get outside and clean up your friggin’ yards (walk down 250th north from Marginal Rd.; it’s disgusting). The administration does its best with what it has to work with. Our police force cannot be beat.

What we don’t need is a paper to be read thru rose-colored glasses; we need real-time reporting both good and BAD. I have lived in Euclid since ‘57 and it is sad to witness the destruction of the city; we lost so many residents and businesses including our fabulous mall; there are way too many absentee landlords renting to Sec. 8s. Searching for a house here in ‘61 was a

real battle cause everyone wanted to live in Euclid.

We need truthful reporting about Euclid and a publisher who can go out on a limb. The News-Herald does report some of Euclid’s bad happenings.

Publisher’s Note: To be clear. The Euclid Observer prints all submissions that are factual, not slanderous, and not obscene. If we get the type of stories Jean wants, we will print them. We have no staff.

I do not have a newsroom full of reporters that I can assign to the tough stories. What we are blessed with is YOU, gentle reader. And some wonderful citizens that write great stories about a city we love. There are a lot of outlets doing “some real -time reporting”. We will stick to the rosey stories until we get something else submitted.

Deer Nuisance

By Jean Brehm

Here is my story for The Euclid Observer but I know it won’t be published.

I wonder how many of my fellow residents are fed up with the deer encroaching in postage-stamp yards, eating up plants/grass and blocking streets sometimes eight at a time. I have had nothing but problems in my small yard. I recently dug up already-gnawed tulips that were given to us by my father-in-law before 1987 when he died. They were kept in his memory but I haven’t seen a bloom for years. I have logged the deer appearances since Nov. and here are the results: at least 33 sightings in my yard, the neighbors’ yards and a few on the streets varying from one to eight deer at a time. I have had 5 or 6 ten feet or less from my back porch; have had a buck chase another deer in my yard twice; have had the buck and 3 deer sleeping overnight in my back yard. These are

just the times I have seen them; I’m certain they are here more often. There has been one safety Council meeting and one is planned for the future. I have reported many incidences to the Mayor and Council. I am sure there are people in the city and on Council who love God’s creatures. If they have experienced what I have plus being concerned for my safety working in my yard, they might feel otherwise. The deer are around night and day; this is getting way too dangerous. Last Spring, there were four fawns in my yard; one got stuck in the neighbor’s broken fence and there will be more born this year increasing the population. These deer need culled or entirely removed from the city.

Publisher’s Note: Our rules for printing a story are as follows:

We will print your story if it is factual, not slanderous, and not obscene.

EVENTS

Neighborhood Eats

by Erin Randel

Please note: All information is accurate to the best of our knowledge at time of printing. Subject to change without notice. This information courtesy of The Scoop on Collinwood - the Scoop is much more than a round-up of great summer happenings, it's actually an info-packed year-round resource. Get all the latest on COVID-19 resources and much more by visiting www.collinwoodcoop.org.

Adam's Place – Open for takeout, 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
681 East 200th St. (216) 531-9681
Breakfast & lunch.

Beach Club Bistro – Open for takeout.
Gourmet pizzas & seafood
21939 Lake Shore Blvd., (216) 731-7499
Lunch & dinner.

Beachland Ballroom –
Closed until further notice.
Brunch on Saturdays and Sundays, plus late nights during shows.
15711 Waterloo Road, (216) 383-112

Blue Breeze Sports Bar & Grill –
Open for takeout.
16826 Lakeshore Blvd., (216) 465-1240
Lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Buettner's Bakery – Open for takeout.
Old-fashioned favorites.
704 E. 185th St. (216) 531-0650
Breakfast & lunch.

Chili Pepper's Fresh Mexican Grill – Closed until further notice.
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869 E. 185th St., (216) 531-2300
Lunch & dinner 7 days.

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Congin's Italian Drive Thru –
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18812 Nottingham Rd., (216) 481-4585

Dale's Deli & Carryout –
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Deli favorites, delivery available.
627 E 200th St., (216) 531-3354
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Famous Gyro George –
Open for takeout 7 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.
19019 Euclid Ave., (216) 738-0800
Breakfast/lunch/dinner 7 days.

Fresh Catch Seafood – Open for takeout.
564 E. 185th St., (216) 738-0080
Lunch & dinner 7 days.

Gintaras Restaurant
Open Sundays for a Lithuanian buffet from 11:30-1:30 pm.
877 E. 185th St., (216) 531-2131

Great Scott Tavern – Open for takeout.
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621 East 185th St., (216) 350-6112
Lunch & Dinner.

Janelle's Restaurant
12508 St. Clair Ave., (216) 249-5959
Breakfast & lunch.

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Lunch & dinner.

Kristy's Tavern & Restaurant –
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434 E. 200th St. (216) 486-4826
Closed Sunday & Monday.

Lady Luck Pub & Eatery –
Open for curbside pickup.
19309 Nottingham Rd, (216) 531-8102
Open 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. 7 days a week.



Lucky Restaurant
742 E. 185th St., (216) 486-1222
Breakfast, lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Ludwig's – Open for takeout 3-7 p.m.
768 East 200th St., (216) 417-4422

Maria's Family Restaurant –
Open for takeout.
Open 7 days a week 6 am -3 pm
22578 Lakeshore Blvd. Euclid, (216) 289-6421

Martin's Freeze – Closed for the season.
20321 Euclid Ave., (216) 486-1011

Messina's Pizza & Bakery –
Open for takeout.
1071 Ivanhoe Road, (216) 761-7744
Lunch & dinner.

Millard Fillmore Presidential Library –
Closed until further notice.
15617 Waterloo Road, (216) 481-WHIG
Bar featuring locally-sourced hot dogs.

Mirabile's
Italian bistro with a full bar.
1025 Ivanhoe Road, (216) 761-8084
Lunch & dinner.

Muldoon's Saloon & Eatery – Closed until further notice.
A cheerful Irish pub with a full menu.
1020 E. 185th St., (216) 531-3130
Lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Omar's Seafood & Grill – Open for takeout.
12520 Saint Clair Ave. (216) 451-2098
Lunch & dinner.

Open Pitt Bar-B-Que – Open for takeout.
12335 St. Clair Ave., (216) 851-7709
Breakfast, lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

The Original Grill – Open for takeout.
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17406 St. Clair Ave., (216) 383-7500
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Pacer's Shoreway Bar & Grill –
Open for takeout.
19800 S. Waterloo Road, (216) 486-7711
Lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Papa Joe's Subs & Pasta –
Open for takeout.
564 E. 200th St., (216) 692-1068
Lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Paragon – Closed until further notice.
Stylish modern bar, classic bistro fare.
21920 Lake Shore Blvd., (216) 731-WINE
Lunch & dinner 7 days a week.

Ritual Juicery – Open for curbside pickup.
15619 Waterloo Road, (216) 217-7485

Sandy's Frozen Whip – Closed; up for sale.
17635 Lake Shore Blvd.
See sales announcement here.

Scotti's Italian Eatery – Open for takeout.
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Interested in Helping Your Community? Consider Joining the Euclid Kiwanis

by Chris Cipriani

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Euclid meetings are postponed during April, however they look forward to continuing to help the community in the near future. If you have an interest in serving others and care about your community, Kiwanis may be the right organization for you. If you have an interest in learning more, email greatereuclidkiwanis@gmail.com.

Shore & Silhouette's "Oh Danny Boy" Murder Mystery Dinner in July

by Chris Cipriani

The Mystery Dinner Fundraiser sponsored by Shore Cultural Centre and Silhouette Productions originally scheduled for April 25th has been moved to July 19th. We hope you will join us at this fun event to support the arts in your community.

WHO: The Fitzpatricks and the Marinzaños, two rival families, go head to head to figure out who killed Danny Boy Fitzpatrick. Will you crack the case?

WHAT: "Oh Danny Boy" Mystery Dinner Fundraiser includes dinner, show, and

open bar. There will also be raffles and a 50/50 drawing. This fundraiser helps to support the October musical held at Shore.

"Oh Danny Boy" was written by Donald Disantis of Backstage Productions.

WHEN: Sunday, July 19, 2020. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Dinner and Show at 3:30 p.m.

RESERVATION DEADLINE is July 13th.

WHERE: Tizzano's Party Center, 1361 East 260th Street, Euclid

HOW: Tickets are \$50/person or bring a group to share the fun and reserve a table for 8. Tickets can be purchased from the office at Shore Cultural Centre or through the Mystery Dinner Fundraiser page on our website at www.shoreculturalcentre.com. You can also order tickets online through Eventbrite or by calling Silhouette Productions at 216-219-3630.

The event date is subject to change based on current Covid-19 conditions.

Commentary on Books that Matter: The Black Swan

by MP Monaghan

The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable by Nassim Nicholas Taleb published in April, 2007 by Random House. ISBN 978-1-4000-6351-2

In The Black Swan, written prior to financial crisis and resulting recession that began in late 2007, author Nicholas Taleb decried what he characterized as naive globalization among an increasingly smaller number of very large banks. While size and geographic diversification gave the appearance of stability, Taleb saw the creation of interlocking fragility and the threat of a global collapse. Financiers and economists were all using the same mathematical models and following the herd in their thinking. What these models and their users ignored was the potential for the phenomenon Taleb calls a Black Swan. Seemingly out of the blue, the bubble in the housing markets burst, balance sheets in the banking industry were devastated, and the world plunged into an economic crisis. A Black Swan had arrived.

The Black Swan metaphor is taken from an illustration of a philosophical problem known as the problem of induction. The problem centers on our reliance upon past experience in thinking and learning. If every swan we've ever seen has been white, so the illustration goes, then we can theorize that all swans are white. Additional observations of white swans seems to confirm our theory so we think of it as true - something that we know. We forget that all it takes is one observation of a non-white

swan to falsify our theory however unlikely that may seem. In fact there are black swans in Australia.

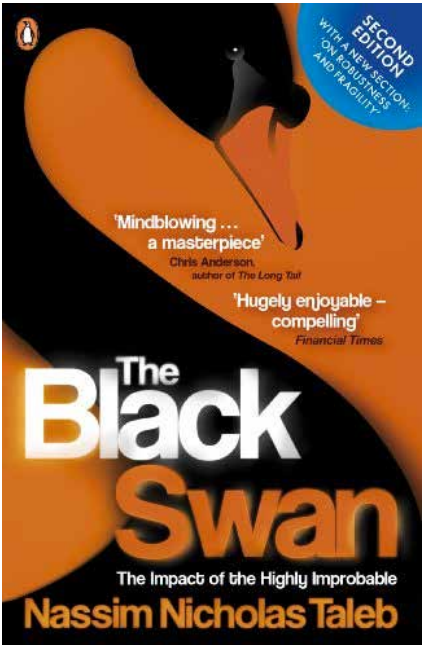
Taleb defines Black Swans as events having three properties. First, a Black Swan is highly improbable and thus unexpected. Second, a Black Swan is of extreme significance. Third, a Black Swan becomes surrounded by stories after the fact that make them seem explainable and predictable.

Taleb believes that what is most significant in our world today is the result of Black Swans. Examples of these events run the gamut from political events (Sept. 11,) to best sellers (Harry Potter,) and new technologies (transistors and lasers). He argues that important history comes in leaps and starts that cannot be predicted. The difficulty is that we are not well suited for dealing with this reality. By nature we need explanations and we don't like uncertainty. These tendencies make us vulnerable to two fallacies in our thinking. The narrative fallacy is the tendency to believe a story that explains what happened. We listen to experts espouse theories of causal relationships between events. We forget these stories are simplified summaries created after the fact and that "cause" in politics and economics is not the same thing as it is in physics. As a result Black Swans are virtually invisible in history and we act as if they don't exist, to our ongoing peril.

The second major fallacy is a misunderstanding of the character of randomness in the real world. As a former successful derivatives trader Nicholas Taleb is very

practical and he applies the practitioner's perspective mercilessly. For Taleb, the key test is predictability. Uncertainties that can be described statistically with a bell-curve shaped curve, as in games of chance where the odds are known, represent a mild form of randomness. Unfortunately, we tend to think this is what the world is like. It's what we expect and it's the basis for all of the economic models and forecasts that consistently miss every major turning point. Game-like uncertainties average-out if we play the game long enough so we can diversify risk and expect that tomorrow won't be that different from today. In fact, Black Swans radically change everything. They don't average out. What is most important is to realize that Black Swans result from unknown unknowns, variables outside the mathematical models and events that are off our mental radar screens. They are events whose odds are not known or knowable. Black Swans are completely unpredictable. This is the character of the real world, wildly random, and it is becoming more so.

The Black Swan is not a comforting book. It is challenging and delivered with an in-your-face attitude. Nicholas Taleb's heroes are among the under appreciated in their fields: Montaigne, Popper, Hayek, Berra, and Bastiat. His villains include many Nobel laureates. While it may not be comforting, The Black Swan is not without hope or wise counsel. Make decisions by realizing that we can't know the future and acting accordingly. Focus on consequences



of decisions, which you can estimate, not the probability of the outcomes, which you can't. Invest in preparedness not prediction. As for hope - unexpected and unlikely events are not always all bad. After all, we did stumble upon penicillin and beer.

Nassim Nicholas Taleb's work has gained increasing influence in finance if not politics and economics. His other books include Fooled by Randomness, Anti-Fragile, and most recently Skin in the Game.

Scot and Marianne Monaghan are on-line booksellers living in Euclid, Ohio.

Let Those Bugs Sleep

by Kelly Butauski

Everyone is waiting for good weather to get out and work in the yard. We look longingly out the window only to see rotting leaves, debris, and dead plant stems. It may look unsightly to us but there are hundreds of insects in those leaves and stems. Our yards are their cozy winter beds and nurseries. Unlike us, they cannot come out yet. They have not matured. Most can only start coming out when the weather warms to a consistent 50 degrees. That will not happen until about mid-April. But, why should we care? After all not many people really like bugs. They are annoying, they get into our houses, they eat our plants, and they may even bite us. In reality, insects are critical to the environment, and the environment is critical to us.

Why are insects important? What do bugs do anyway? They do lots of wonderful, important tasks.

They pollinate: Most of us know that pollinators are important for the growth of flowers, vegetables and fruits. We need them for our food supply. Pollinators are more than the bees we see in yards or in large hives. They can be bees, butterflies, ants, moths, beetles, birds and even bats.

They are scavengers: Think of them as ground composters. They are removing dead plant and animal material from the environment preventing a serious mess.

They are food: Insects are a critical food source for birds, frogs, turtles and reptiles. Think spring when birds are searching for bugs in the debris to feed their babies.

Some kill bad bugs: Beneficial insects are critical to growers to fight the bugs that eat crops.

They move seeds: Many plants depend on insects to scatter their seeds so they can disperse and grow.

Without insects, the balance of nature would collapse. Biologists and others are concerned because their numbers are dropping worldwide due to habitat loss.

We can help our insect friends by creating a healthy habitat in our yards. Allow a small patch of "weedy" plants to grow for them to rest and feed. Beneficial insects love herbs that have gone to flower. Grow pollinator friendly native plants in every season. Maintain a brush pile for them to hide and lay eggs. Leave a few areas of bare soil for ground bees to make their homes underground. Put out a shallow dish of water. Let some leaves remain on the ground in the fall along with uncut plant stems for native bee nurseries. Wait until warm weather to clean up. Let some leaves stay in the beds.

In a well-balanced yard, the bugs work out problems among themselves so you will not have to intervene very often. No pesticides needed. Spiders and lightening bugs catch mosquitoes, pollinators help make flowers, pill bugs and wasps eat dead debris. Ladybugs, predatory beetles, and other beneficials kill harmful insects in the vegetable garden. These tiny, mighty creatures need our protection. That means preserving their habitats all year. So let them sleep for now.

Briardale Greens Operates as Walking Only, Effective Tuesday March 25

The operations at Briardale Greens Golf Course continue to adapt and evolve based on the direction of government officials and local health departments. The golf courses will remain open but with added safety measures for our guests and our staff. Beginning on March 24th, golf carts will no longer be available as our operation will become walking only.



Development Passes First Hurdle, Awaits School Board Decision

by Kurt Steigerwald

The proposed Celebration Village at Providence Park made it past its first hurdle as Euclid City Council approved an amendment to a consent judgment by a 6-3 vote. That first vote was needed due to complications associated with the 68 acre property that is currently owned by Providence Baptist Church. Providence is looking to sell it to a Georgia-based developer that will then create a development targeted to age 55+ residents.

Euclid's School Board now has to consider if they will approve the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) plan that the developer has said is critical to the project's success. However, due to the coronavirus crisis, the school board has been unable to meet. The timing of the next meeting is likely still under consideration. If the school board ultimately approves the TIF plan, the project comes back before City Council for



A rendering of Celebration Village depicts the developers plans for an area often referred to as Hilandale by longtime Euclidians.

another review. How the current economic upheaval will impact the development is also unclear. The Observer will continue to cover this issue as it progresses.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Show Yourself What You Are Made Of: Free Spring Coaching



by Natalie-Jo Flynn
More than ever thriving and surviving are for front in our lives. While we as a community and World wait for the outcome of this pandemic we still must LIVE, ADJUST and become POSITIVE for ourselves to show family and friends we can be resourceful and resilient.

If you are struggling with home-life in ways you have not imagined, it's time to talk about how to tweak your routine, thoughts and actions.

This month of April I will be coaching for FREE anyone who would like to get their thoughts in order to manage any part of their life to enable pushing through tough decisions and merely organizing thoughts to get by day to day.

Mental and physical health go hand in hand, be sure to reach out to me. I help clients over the phone, face-time and zoom.

Take advantage of moving closer to a better you, we will come through his and you want to be strong, emotionally and physically as time goes on.

Small simple changes can yield Big results.

As a habit change coach, nurse practitioner and health advocate I listen to the ideas, hopes and dreams of so many who want to thrive in their relationship with self and family.

Clients I work with seek to understand their chronic diseases and actively participate in their care. I am able to work on tapping into their self-awareness, providing support, accountability, developing and following action plans for healthier behaviors. Working with an integrative wellness model, which incorporates their evidence-based conventional medical care

with complementary medicine, and lifestyle modification attaining sought after wellness goals.

TIPS TO START:

Eat good healthy fresh fruits and veggies, nuts, clean meat, fiber and good fats such as olive oil, walnuts, avocados. Avoid processed and fast foods, these foods tend to cloud your brain, make you moody and could lead to illness by lowering the immune response. Keep moving! Walks, housework and stretching are good ways to get blood flow, and keep your mood healthy. Reach out NOW, do not put your emotional and physical needs last, you will see being emotionally healthy for you helps your situation and those around you gain healthy pathways for your struggles, there are many resources to be had.

I work with people from all over the globe, different lifestyles, variety of wants and needs in life. The one thing we all have in common is the desire to continually improve, health and relationships with food, family, workplace whatever it is, we want more and we want better.

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Ask questions about this or any of the comments I have posted.

Feedback is welcome.

Find Inspiration to make healthy habits now that last through this tough time and your lifetime.

It's Time for you!

Let's Move That Mountain! One push/ CALL is all it takes.

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April Happy Hippy Mama



by Emily Holody

Hi All,

I hope everyone is hanging in there during this very scary and uncertain times. Here at the Holody house, we are trying to enjoy our time together, get out for walks, bake, cook, enjoy movies, and parks together as a family.

This is a bit sad for me as April 22nd, 2020 is my 40th birthday. I was looking forward to a running/brunch get together with lots of family and friends, but with the new restrictions and Ohio stay at home order it seems that might not happen. I am trying to breathe and understand this is all for the greater good, and this very simple first world, not even a big deal sacrifice will help others by just staying home and flattening the curve. For that I am grateful. Parties will come and go, but our health and well being is so worth staying home for.

Each morning I arrange my schedule to get up (before all the little Holodys) and work. This isn't always easy, but the quiet is peaceful and allows my brain to think and breathe a bit. After I work, I still get out for an hour run or walk each morn-

ing. I go with a neighbor or two and we social distance but breathing and moving together in this way has done wonderful things for my sanity. These two small steps start my day off in a more peaceful fashion. I am trying to be understanding of the kids and myself in these uncertain times and understand the crying, ice cream, and possibly a bit more screen time might just happen, and that is OK.

I would love to know what everyone else is doing out there to pass the time and keep your sanity. Please join me on Facebook at Happy Hippy Mama or on email at HappyHippyMama@yahoo.com and share your stories.

Look later in this issue for a fun new recipe to try during this interesting time at home. Remember to enjoy the sunshine and wash your hands. So many of you are in my continued thoughts.

This months mantra:

*Stay home.
Stay healthy.
Stay safe.*

Until next time,

Namaste.

A Spiritual Journey to Being Awakened

by Annette Tabar
Greetings in this time of AWAKENING!

YES, we are being called upon to identify our priorities. In the quiet of your mind, reflect upon what is vital and what isn't. We are guided to avoid large groups, wash our hands frequently and get plenty of rest. Eating healthily is a given. Keeping active, mentally and physically can be a challenge when routines are interrupted and time seems plentiful, almost too much time some would say.

Examine all thoughts, feelings and actions. Are you staying positive and proactive in using this opportunity to start or finish projects long ignored? Have you stayed in touch with friends and loved ones via phone, email or by writing a caring note? Are you awakening to a habitual thought on lack and limitation? You can change today. The choice is always yours to make.

Life gives us a banquet if we stay positive.

Use your God given creative energy to awaken a revitalized Spirit that resides within you. Attract joy by being joyful. Attract peace by radiating inner calm and trust that all is well. Attract perfect health by harmonizing mind, body and Spirit to become mindfully conscious of all that you are. Move through thoughts of survival to embracing a new beginning...with inner strength shining outward...creating the life you deserve. One small change is a step towards becoming the real you.

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Takahata Talk



by Takahata
I teach Bible Stories to 4-5 year olds. It is a striking honor as their young minds are now able to receive holy thoughts. God has set the stage for them. Their slates are untarnished. They are not yet skeptical. Why, even their honesty is refreshing! "Why are you old?" I always answer the same way. "I have to be old. I am a grandmother. But, my hugs are plentiful!"

A huge smile rockets across my face. Their own eager smiles rocket back to me. Smiles are contagious, aren't they? They will understand more in time.

It is a delightful hour. The children's delight in learning about Jesus walking on the water, and my delight in teaching about this miracle blossoms into a double delight of spiritual sharing for all. And, the connection is so real!

How can this be? Has God set the stage for this granny, too?

Publishers note: This is the second in a series by a wonderful local author. She is an American of Japanese descent born in Hawaii during World War II.

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HEALTH & WELLNESS

Don't Let Working from Home Be a Pain in the Neck



By Dr. Kara Berger

“Have you noticed increased neck and back discomfort since leaving your ergonomically sound work station? These complaints have already started to come into our office since people have been home. Working from home doesn't need to be painful, so let's discuss ways this can be prevented.

Although you may not have the same amenities at home as you do at the office, you can be innovative and create a work

station at home with items you already have.”

“Start off with a chair that allows your feet to sit flat on the floor, thighs parallel to the floor, and your forearms parallel to your work space.

Next, place the top of your monitor at eye level to avoid extra stress on the back of the neck. Consider placing your monitor on top of a stack of books or a box to help with this. Similarly, if you are reading a lot of documents, raise them to eye level instead of constantly looking downward.

Keep your keyboard and mouse at a close distance to avoid extra strain on your shoulders. If you are required to be on conference calls, utilize headphones instead of stressing your neck and shoulders to hold the phone to your ear.

Stand up and walk around every 30-45 minutes to stretch and increase circulation. We are more than happy to help you through these changes at Infield Chiropractic, (216) 938-7889.

Resources:
<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/adult-health/in-depth/office-ergo->

Medicare's New Rules for Telehealth

by Laura Mutsko

Telemedicine is the practice of medicine electronically using your computer, mobile phone or pad for a two-way conversation with your health care provider. With telemedicine, you can safely receive medical advice without ever having to leave the comfort of your home.

Telemedicine has been growing in popularity in the last few years. It has been used successfully for a variety of health issues including follow-up consultations with physicians, sore throats, counseling sessions, insect bites, rashes and other common ailments. It is not appropriate for emergency situations like heart attack or stroke, cuts or lacerations, or broken bones that require x-rays, splints, or casts. Anything that requires immediate, hands-on care should be handled in person.

A recent change now permits those on Original Medicare to use Telemedicine under specific circumstances. The policy change carries out a waiver of Medicare rules authorized by Congress under the Emergency Declaration authorized by the President and will remain in effect during the COVID19 outbreak.

According to the CMS website at www.cms.gov/newsroom:

places of residence starting March 6, 2020. A range of providers, such as doctors, nurse practitioners, clinical psychologists, and licensed clinical social workers, will be able to offer telehealth to their patients. Coinsurance and deductibles apply.”

At a press conference on March 17, CMS announced that Medicare will now cover telemedicine for routine follow-up visits for the duration of the COVID emergency — so if you need to check in with your doctor for a chronic condition such as high blood pressure or type 2 diabetes, for example, you'll be able to do it via Skype or other technology instead of going in for an in-person visit. This option helps older people take care of many health concerns while they stay safely at home during the COVID19 outbreak.

For more details, please visit: <https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-telemedicine-health-care-provider-factsheet>

The best way to know if—and to what extent—your current healthcare provider offers telemedicine services is to call and ask them directly. The practice administrator or manager should be able to explain what telemedicine services are offered, as well as the associated costs.

For your questions on insurance, including life, health, Medicare Advantage Plans and Medicare Supplements, call or email me at Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com or call 440-255-5700.

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“EXPANSION OF TELEHEALTH WITH 1135 WAIVER: Under this new waiver, Medicare can pay for office, hospital, and other visits furnished via telehealth across the country and including in patient's



Haircare Done Right

Lots of great new looks coming out in the hair coloring world! Have you seen Sharon Osborne's new do? Do yourself a favor and if you are thinking about embracing your inner Elsa, come talk to the professionals to get the real answers behind it all! Blonding is no easy feat and can end up a disaster when in the wrong hands.

Good thing Liz at Bombshell Salon has over 10 years experience.

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Wipes Clog Pipes

Only flush the “3 Ps!” ... Pee, Poop and (toilet) Paper

You find yourself at the supermarket standing in the toilet paper aisle, but there isn't a package of TP in sight. You hastily look around for an alternative and find a package of “flushable wipes.” Voilà, problem solved! Only one issue, those “flushable” wipes aren't actually flushable. The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District is reminding customers and other residents of Northeast Ohio that these items should not be flushed, even if the packaging says “flushable.” You may witness them go down the drain, but they won't break down

like toilet paper. Your next phone call? The plumber.

The Sewer District's three large wastewater treatment plants are better-equipped to remove wipes and other debris early-on in the treatment process, but smaller treatment plants, septic systems, local sewers and the plumbing in your house may not be so fortunate. Wipes can combine with fats, oils and grease to create massive clogs known as “fatbergs.” Other products that should be thrown in the trash include paper towels, tissues and disinfecting wipes. Respect your 3 Ps, your drains will thank you. Follow us on Twitter @neorsd

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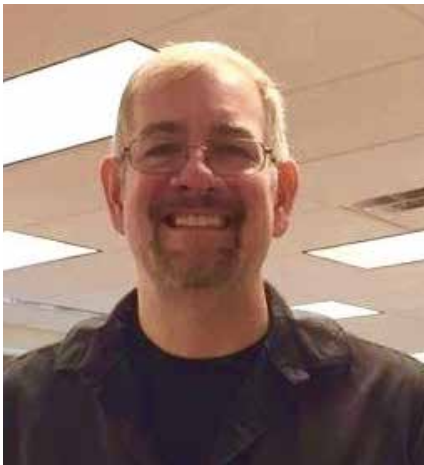
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Bob’s Corner



by Bob Payne
Covid-19 is affecting all of us, and its impact is felt wherever you are most vulnerable. For many, there is economic loss which affects every area of life. For others, isolation is the major issue. But for all of us, there is loss of daily routine. The pandemic has affected the way we work, shop, socialize, and celebrate. It’s even changed how we can get a meal. In a way, the virus is forcing us to be a limited version of ourselves.

Or is it?

During difficult times it’s all too easy to get yourself stressed and upset about things you have no control over. Let me ask, right this second is there anything physically hurting you? Are you being prodded, poked, pulled or pushed? Thankfully, most of you are physically fine. You’re sitting, reading. Take a deep breath. Relax your shoulders. You are okay.

Please remember, all of this change is temporary. The crisis will pass and normalcy will return. Perhaps the greatest challenge right now is to stay grounded. You are not helpless. Get the facts. How is the virus passed, and what can you do to keep safe? This isn’t hard, it’s just different. Be careful about obsessing.

When things feel crazy, it’s most often because of your thinking. You are fortune telling a catastrophic future, filling your mind with negative thoughts, and chasing after every possible (and impossible) awful scenario. You are scaring yourself. That’s why you feel tense, uptight, stressed and in danger. Stop.

Focus on where you have control. You can keep safe. Wash your hands, don’t touch your face, sanitize surfaces and limit exposure. Use the extra free time to feed your interior life, read, meditate, pray, do some form of exercise. Stay connected by phone and email. This is temporary. It will pass. It’s up to you to make good use of this time

Maybe the lesson in all of this is not to take for granted the simple, yet wonderful experiences of everyday life, like a handshake, a hug, a face to face conversation, a meal together, and shared human interaction.

Be well!

Work Behind the Scenes at Euclid Senior Programs

Due to the threat of Covid-19, Senior Programs has temporarily closed for all activities. We are still delivering frozen lunches to homebound members of our lunch program, and offering pick-up for congregate members with a reserved meal.

Please note, we have reached the limit of meals we can provide and no new clients can be added at this time.

If you are in need of food you may want to contact: Greater Cleveland Food Bank (216-738-2265)

Euclid Hunger Center (216-731-3329)

United Way First Call for Help (211).

Please know there’s a lot of work being done behind the scenes. Our staff continues to provide dedicated service.

We value our seniors, and look forward to getting past these difficult times.

Bob Payne, Manager



Vantage Aging worker Dora Oatman answering calls.



Coordinator Monica Fetheroff with drivers Joe Washington and Dale Gulich



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Happy Hippy Mama’s Family Recipes to Share

by Emily Holody

Both of these yummy recipes are in my beloved family cookbook. About 16 years ago my cousin decided to compile a Lance Family cookbook and we couldn’t be more thankful. It is filled with bits of love from so many family members and pulling it out and seeing it’s worn pages warms my soul.

The egg strata is a mainstay at on our Christmas morning, and many brunch dates, it was shared by my mom.

I have made the soft tacos for friends when they welcome new babies or have to be home after surgery, I prefer to use chicken and make it in a crockpot. When I deliver it I bring all the taco fixings and it feeds families a few times over. This yummy recipe that is enjoyed by my family and beyond was shared by my Aunt.

I hope you enjoy one of these yummy treats during your time at home with family.

Strata – Leslie Hampshire

A great do-ahead breakfast.

6 slices of bread, cubed
6-8 eggs
2 cups milk
salt
dry mustard
sautéed or browned sausage, ham, mushroom,
green pepper or onion (whatever you have)
2 cups grated cheddar

Line bottom of greased 9x 13 casserole with bread cubes. Add cooked meat and vegetables. Sprinkle with cheese. Mix eggs and milk. Pour eggs and milk over. Let sit for 12 hours. Bake at 350 F for 35 minutes.

Soft Taco Wraps – Elizabeth Stafford

3-4 lbs. of cooked chicken, pork or ground beef
1 15 oz. can of crushed or diced tomatoes
1 can tomato paste and 1 can of water
1 t. garlic salt
2 ½ t. cumin
1 t. crushed red pepper
1 t. salt
1 t. pepper

Combine ingredients and simmer a minimum of 30 minutes. This can also be made in the crockpot and simmered several hours on low.

Serve in floured tortillas.

Manna from Heaven: Meals Served with Love

by Emily Holody



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Pandemic restrictions are making life more challenging for everyone, especially for those whose lives weren’t easy in the first place. Just recently, the Cleveland Public Library canceled its plan to provide children’s meals. Among those who’ve had to make serious adjustments to what they can offer during the pandemic is Manna Food From Heaven.

Hot meals made from scratch — that’s the specialty fare offered by Manna Food From Heaven Ministries. Started by Deacon Melvin E. Hodge, Jr., in 1999, Manna Food is a 501c(3) non-profit organization—men and women from various churches, denominations, and pastors.

Each month, Deacon Hodge says, they feed between “5,000-8,000 men, women, and children in the greater Cleveland area, with summer cookouts, and over 200 Christmas gifts donated as well.”

Volunteers prepare hot from-scratch meals: chicken, green beans with white potatoes, fresh collard greens, fresh steamed cabbage, corn on the cob, candied yams, pasta with beef, cornbread, peach cobbler, and manna pudding. These delicious meals are then served — complete with a side order of love — at area shelters and delivered to people on the streets. Each meal, Hodge explains, is made with care: “If I was at home, this is what I would want. I put a lot of love and attention into these meals, to give people something that they are going to enjoy.” And enjoy they do.

A few years ago, when the Manna volunteers made the traditional turkey dinner for Thanksgiving, one of their guests told Deacon Hodge that while they could have such a turkey dinner in a number of places,

they “truly look forward” to Manna’s usual chicken meal because they “can feel the love in it.”

Manna Food from Heaven is clearly a name that aptly describes what Deacon Hodge and his rotating crew of volunteers set out to provide each month. The biblical reference means an unexpected benefit or assistance, especially when it comes at the time it is needed most. “The name came to me while I was dealing with a difference of opinion within my church. It came to me in a dream, and it just stuck,” says Deacon Hodge.

The group runs solely on donations and grants, and Deacon Hodge credits their success to the donations the organization receives and the volunteers who show up to serve.

In February 2018, for instance, the Word Church surprised them with a new van. The van gets daily use, ensuring that volunteers can get food to all those who need it. “The van we had at the time was on its last leg,” Deacon Hodge explains, “and the gift of this new van was a true blessing.”

Another generous and useful donation came from the Bates family in December 2019. Manna Food cooks everything they serve at the Emergency Men’s shelter located at 2100 Lakeside. When the stove at the shelter died, Manna Food reached out through Facebook to ask for help and support to raise funds for a new stove. The Bates family, church friends of Deacon Hodge for nearly fifty years, responded by donating all the funds needed in Mr. John Bates’ name.

Because of the restrictions forced upon Manna Food by the coronavirus pandemic, Deacon Hodge can’t allow you to volunteer for the time being. At least for now, though, he himself is still providing meals to others, outside. As the Deacon’s wife says, “Melvin simply can’t quit; he loves it too much.”

And you can help. Make a donation, and learn how to volunteer when restrictions are lifted, by visiting Manna Food from Heaven’s website at <http://mannafood->

LCA Reschedules Spring Meeting

The Lakeland Civic Association will postpone its regular April meeting until June 11. The Early Learning Village has been the regular venue for LCA’s quarterly meetings. The Euclid School District is suspending activity at that school following Ohio governor DeWine’s orders.

LCA president Kevin Jones encourages members and all neighborhood residents to stay home during this period. With help from association officers and neighborhood trustees, he is developing an online network to maintain good communications. He will announce the agenda for the June meeting on the group’s new Facebook page and in emails to be developed in the next several weeks, depending on the constraints imposed by the current epidemic.

“We have many email addresses and telephone numbers for neighbors who are the active core of our group and who routinely attend meetings and other activities. We hope to expand this list in the next few weeks,” says Mr Jones.

LCA neighbors take care of one another and the new online facility will make it easier to maintain and expand that neighborliness during Ohio’s sheltering in place.

Secretary Sandi Jones will arrange the list of LCA’s standing committees that organize the group’s several yearly events. The most urgent of these will be the annual Saturday Yard Sales scheduled this year for June 27. Others include the Fourth of July Bike Parade and the popular Summer Picnic. Mrs Jones notes also that a three-person association committee maintains the neighborhood’s “Triangle” area with landscaping and regular plantings.

The Lakeland Civic Association distributes newsletters to all households within its general area, the houses known as F&S Homes in Euclid, bounded by Walnut Ave, 272nd Street, and the east side of Forestview Ave. Envelopes for annual dues will accompany the April newsletter.

Tales From the Heart of Texas

by Deb Kramarz

All my kids and grandkids live in Texas; Round Rock, Texas. My children Crystal and Keith’s home town is names after a stone in a creek north of Austin. The rock served as a landmark on the historic Chisholm Trail. The creek runs through a community park, founded by the famous baseball player, Nolan Ryan.

To say the least, youth baseball leagues are big there and have taken a big hit due to COVID-19. The players and their families form strong family ties. Hence a sweet story my daughter told me. When one of my grandson’s team mates had to cancel his birthday party, the team came up with a plan. They formed a birthday caravan. One of the parents, a police officer, led it with flashing lights. Another team parent photographed and documented the event for the birthday boy. Pictures were taken of each car as they approached and unloaded gifts and birthday signs for the front yard. Just one way to show how big Texan hearts can be.

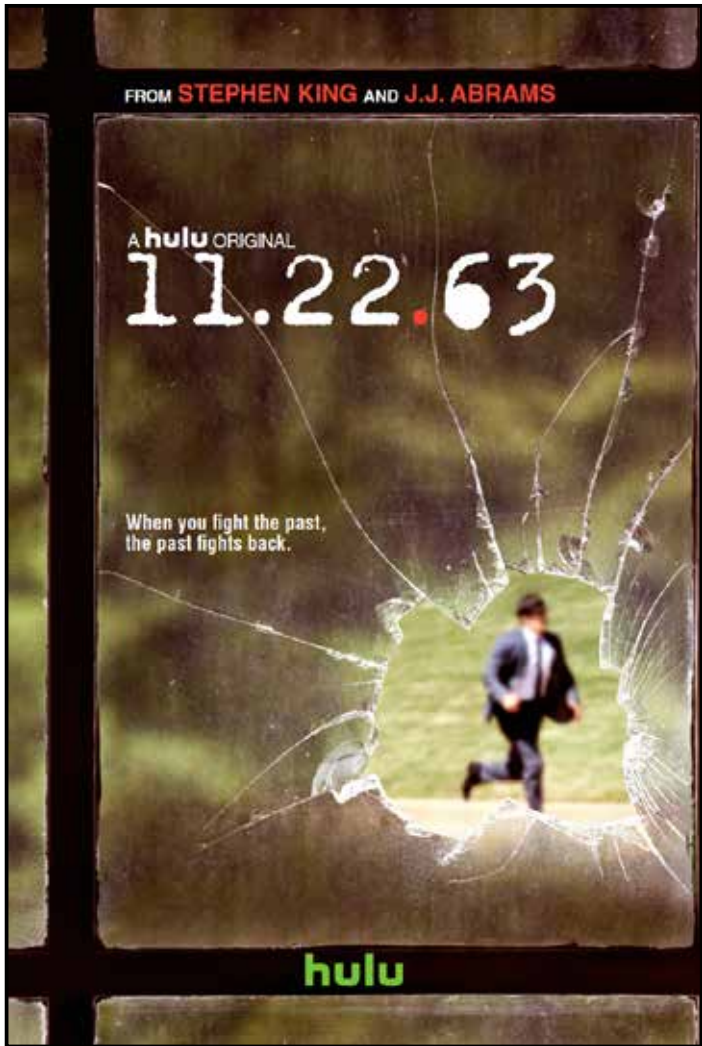


Crystal also told me of wonderful efforts her and my son’s restaurants are making to serve their community and sad stories of the tragic effects on employees. Texas does things differently. They are slowly shutting down, one city at a time. And due to Texans owning lots of guns, some of her neighbors have been buying and hording bullets; to protect their property.

Maybe I’m a Pollyanna, but I see Euclidian hearts matching-up more with stories like the baseball team’s caravan.

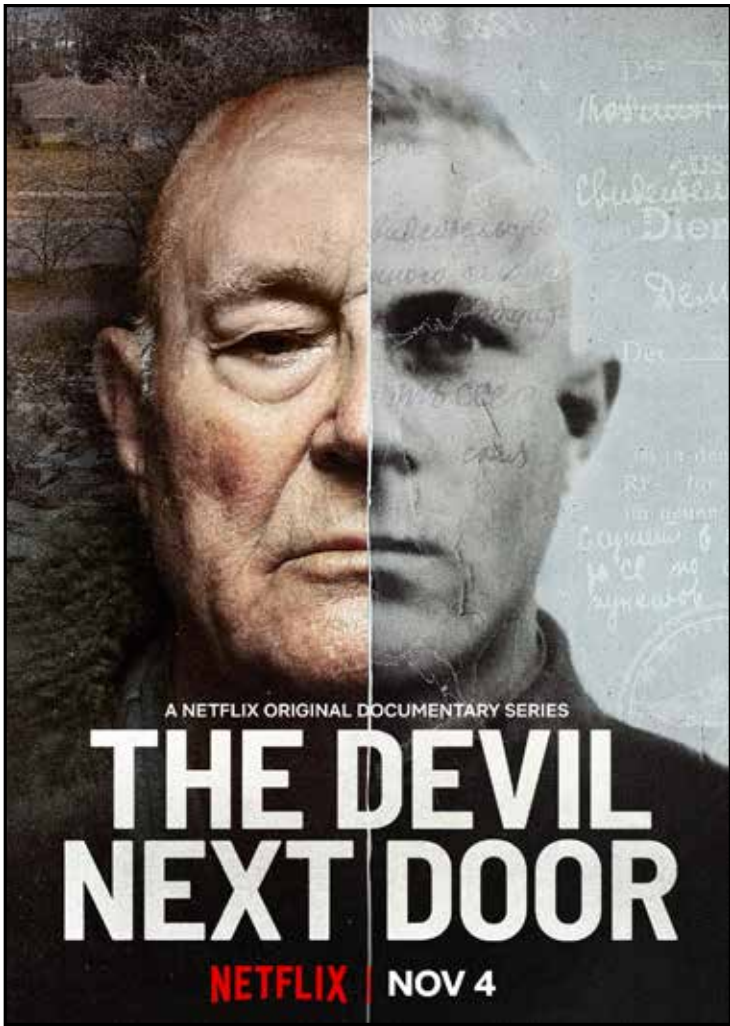
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11.23.63 Series Review



by Brian Friedman
11.22.63 Series Review - James Franco truly shines in this twisty 8-episode Hulu series. Concept is what if you could go back in time to stop JFK from being assassinated but your time travel device drops you three years early so you have to establish a life in the sixties to pay bills while you plan. Great concept. Well executed adaptation of the Stephen King novel. Grade: A minus

Devil Next Door: Series Review



by Brian Friedman
The Devil Next Door Series Review - This Netflix multi-episode documentary recounts the decades of attempting to convict a Seven Hills auto factory retiree as being a former World War II Nazi extermination guard. I grew up with details of this trial in the background of my life. Seeing it recounted so carefully and balanced was a fascinating adult return to a story heavily debated in my childhood home. In addition, interviews with Channel 5 newscaster Ted Henry also reminded me of days gone by. An important and interesting watch. Grade: A

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