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Neighborhood residents take part in Cuyahoga County Fair

by Tom Sargent & Lynette Filips

Although ours is not a rural county, the Cuyahoga County Fair is still an important part of summer for many residents. In addition to the fun of entering and the fun of winning, exhibitors who receive ribbons for their entries also receive small cash prizes with each first, second and third place award. This year's Fair opened on Monday, August 7, and ran through Sunday, August 13, at the Berea Fairgrounds.

year, in addition to his other involvements, he became a member of Cuyahoga County's Fair Board so that he would be able to vote for the fair's directors.

Although this year's Fair (Cuyahoga County's 110th) did not have a specific theme, there was a major exhibition about Rock and Roll radio and related memorabilia in an area in the Floral Building, just inside Gate 3. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame as well as legendary Cleveland disc



Photo by George Shuba

Back at the Benjie garden, (front row, left to right) Rev. Neal Wilds, Ed Rompala, Teresa Clark, Brianna and Stephanie Ghann -- filling in for Kim Hageman -- and Bill Wallace (back row) Jeff Kostura display some of their winning vegetables, veggie products, trophies, ribbons and rosettes from the Cuyahoga County Fair.

Dave Stephan, former Portman Ave. resident, has long been associated with agriculture in Cleveland. Retired from his full-time teaching position at Washington Park Horticulture Center in Newburg Heights, he's one of the Cuyahoga County Agricultural Society's directors – the Fair's first vice president of concessions and publicity.

Rev. Neal Wilds of Hilland Drive, the retired pastor of Brooklyn Memorial United Methodist Church, has been judging rabbits and poultry at county fairs since 1962. This

jockey Norm N. Nite were a big part of it, and Norm asked Old Brooklyn News photographer **George Shuba** to be a part, too. George was at the Fair all seven days, chatting with passersby about all the rock and roll stars he's photographed over the years, and selling copies of some of the millions of pictures he's taken – of the Beatles, the Rolling Stones and the Doors, among many others. The photos George had on display at *See County Fair page 4*

Summer in the city stresses residents and power stations

by Mary Ann Jannazo

When the color on the weather map shifts from tangerine to fire-engine red, summer in the city becomes headlines across the country. Residents get cranky as utilities struggle to crank out enough power to run air conditioners, household appliances and electronics.

On August 1 and 2, high temperatures and humidity shot the heat index to triple digits, resulting in outages for Cleveland Public Power (CPP) customers in Old Brooklyn and rolling blackouts for First Energy customers. Aging equipment, inadequate power capacity and record-setting demand triggered a failure at CPP's Memphis Substation. Between 2000 and 5000 Memphis-area residents were forced to endure outages ranging from a few to 24 hours.

According to CPP Commissioner Jim Majer, the outages were the utility's first serious heat-related power equipment failure in the past decade. "CPP is a company known for reliability and service. We recognized the problem and we're spending millions of dollars to address the power system's efficiency in Old Brooklyn," he said.

For starters, plans are in the works for connecting the feeder lines to the new Ridge Road Substation. Built in 2005, the connection with the substation will reduce the load demands on the old equipment and will generate more power than the area's present four substation system.

Michael O' Malley, assistant director of



Photo by George Shuba

You weren't just imagining it; the sign on the Walgreens Pharmacy on State Rd. at Pearl Rd. recorded 101 degrees on a "dog day" of August.

public utilities for the City of Cleveland, said the heat wave taxed the system before the work was completed. "Some of the load from Old Brooklyn will be transferred to the *See Summer in the city page 4*

Ruth E. Ketteringham, local historian, passes on

by Lynette Filips
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Long-time Brooklyn Centre resident Ruth E. Ketteringham passed from this life on July 26, 2006, less than three months before her one hundredth birthday. She had moved to the Royalton Woods Retirement Center in North Royalton in May of 2003, and she was still living there at the time of her death.

Of all Ruth accomplished in living close to a century, the one thing for which she will most likely be remembered in both our neighborhood and the wider community is her passion for preserving the past. She was an expert about the history of Brooklyn Township, especially the Brooklyn Centre area (Pearl Road north of the Big Creek Valley).

In past years, Ruth had served as the long-time historian for several organizations — The Early Settlers Association of the Western Reserve; the Brooklyn Centre Historical Society; and West Denison Classmates, the elementary school's alumni association. She also belonged to the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn (HSOB); Archwood-Denison Concerned Citizens (now Brooklyn Centre Community Association); and West Commerce High School's alumni organization.

Like Grandma Moses, though, who didn't begin painting until late in life, Ruth didn't become involved with local history until circa 1973, after she retired from a secretarial career. Thanks to the brilliant mind she'd inherited from both her parents (her father, George H. Ketteringham was an inventor of technical instruments and one of the select individuals included in the *Dictionary of Cleveland Biography*) and amazing genes in terms of longevity from her mother (Rose L. Wise Ketteringham lived to be 101 years old), Ruth still had many productive years ahead of her.

Was Ruth's affinity for local history genetic or environmental? Probably both, as her father had possessed the same fascination with the subject, though he and his family had only come here from England in 1881 when he was a child. Like many immigrants, Ruth's Ketteringham forbears originally settled in what we today call Tremont, but it was Brooklyn Centre (then called the Archwood-Denison neighborhood) which became Ruth's stomping ground; the family home was on View Road; Ruth had a twin sister who also was named Rose.

History "called to her", Ruth once said, and not surprisingly, many of the historical topics which especially interested her were ones in which she'd been personally involved. She graduated from West Denison Elementary School and West Commerce High School, and she wanted to know about Brooklyn Township because it was her



Photo courtesy of the Ketteringham family

Ruth E. Ketteringham
1906-2006

neighborhood. It is not necessary to be descended from an early settler to belong to the Early Settlers Association.

Ruth liked to associate with youthful, energetic individuals, and in August of 1993, after expansion at MetroHealth Medical Center took the Ketteringham home on View Road, she moved to the lower level of a double house on Ruby Avenue in Old Brooklyn which one of her younger friends from the HSOB owned. During her frequent walks, Ruth subsequently became acquainted with neighborhood people living south of the Brooklyn-Brighton Bridge, too.

After eight years passed it was determined that Ruth's medical problems necessitated her being in a senior living situation, so in November of 2001, she moved to Pelton Place in Tremont. It was located on the northeast corner of W. 14th Street and Kenilworth Avenue (across the street from Lincoln Park). A year and a half later, when Pelton Place closed due to financial problems, Ruth and many of the other residents there moved to the North Royalton facility.

An educator as well as a student of history, even when Ruth was in her mid and late nineties, she still enjoyed sharing her knowledge with others by giving presentations to fellow residents at Pelton Place and Royalton Woods and to members of the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn.

Because of her keen interest in history, her insistence upon recording everything accurately, and her excellent memory, Ruth was a favorite among people compiling oral histories. Her recollections are among the interviews conducted by students in the Cleveland State University (CSU) College of Urban Affairs, in interviews from the CSU History Department's Tremont Oral History *See Ruth page 2*

Happy Labor Day

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Ruth from front page

Project, and in *Reflections from Brooklyn Centre*, a compilation of oral histories and other talks which the Brooklyn Centre Historical Society published in 2004.

Ruth Ketteringham took Decoration Day very seriously, too. For approximately 60 years she planned the Memorial Day services at Denison Cemetery/Brooklyn Centre Burial Ground (on Garden Avenue northeast of Pearl Road and Denison Avenue).

When Ruth was paring down the mountain of historical and family artifacts and papers she and her family had amassed over the years, she made sure that everything of value went to the appropriate place. For instance —

Things related to her father's research with surveying and optical equipment (i.e., his professional papers, equipment for gathering, harvesting and storing spider webs, and even actual webs) went to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.; her childhood doll and a bed her father made for it went to the Western Reserve Historical Society; and hundreds of books, pamphlets, photographs and postcards related to Denison Elementary School, local churches and general Cleveland history went to the Cleveland Public Library. (There is actually a George H. Ketteringham Collection at the downtown library.)

And, of course, the Early Settlers Association reclaimed the records Ruth had saved for them.

From time to time Ruth was written up in Cleveland publications — *The Plain Dealer*, *Cleveland Magazine* and also the *Old Brooklyn News*. In October of 1993, this paper published an article about the renaming of View Road as Ketteringham Drive in honor of Ruth's family, and exactly ten years later, it ran another article focusing on a presentation Ruth had given at an HSOB meeting.

Lover of learning that she was, perhaps the greatest frustration of Ruth's later years was the loss of hearing which accompanied the aging process. Not being able to drive, and then having to live way out in a southern suburb was not easy for her, either. But faithful friends from the neighborhood visited her regularly, and faithful friends from the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn drove her back and forth to meetings. And whatever

Ruth lost in hearing or driving rights or distance was more than compensated for by what she retained in mental capacity.

Ruth Ketteringham has left a legacy to our neighborhood and our city that few, if any, will ever match. *The Plain Dealer* printed an extensive obituary about her shortly after her death, thanks to information submitted to them by Lorene Olsen Bowles, secretary of the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn. Cleveland City Council issued a resolution in her honor, thanks to the efforts of the office of Ward 15 Councilman Brian Cummins.

Approximately 150 friends and associates joined Ruth's few surviving family members at the two memorial services held in her honor, one at Royalton Woods Retirement Center on August 2 and the other at Archwood United Church of Christ (UCC) on August 16. Although in more recent years Ruth belonged to Urban Hope Unitarian Universalist Church on Lorain Avenue in Ohio City, she had attended Archwood Congregational Church with her family when she was a child. The Ketteringhams were "pillars of the church".

Rev. David Bahr, pastor at the Archwood UCC, conducted both services. Rev. Neal Wilds, retired pastor of Brooklyn Memorial United Methodist Church; Rev. Bob Andrew, retired pastor of the former St. Philip the Apostle Episcopal Church; Councilman Brian Cummins; and former Councilman (and current Cuyahoga County Treasurer) Jim Rokakis were among the people who participated in one or both of the services. Lynette Filips delivered the eulogy at the August 16 service and Brooklyn Centre resident Rick Jaworski read a segment Ruth had written in *Reflections from Brooklyn Centre*.

Those in attendance at both services were invited to share their memories of Ruth, and many accepted that invitation, including representatives from the Early Settlers Association and Cleveland State University. Former councilwoman Merle Gordon, who is currently out-of-state, sent her condolences and comments by email. Louise and Ray Evans of the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn coordinated the refreshments for the social following the service at Archwood UCC.

Plymouth Rd. resident participates in race at Indianapolis Speedway

Those were the days — fiberglass-packed mufflers and engines that couldn't have too much power; muscle cars with muscle names — GTO, Mustang, Chevelle — painted Chevy orange, candy-apple red and plum crazy; lanky boys in white tee-shirts spending their afternoons under the hoods of their cars and their nights cruising Manners for girls and their next street race; weekends screaming down the quarter-mile at Thompson Drag Raceway, dreaming of racing at Indy.

The Lincoln High School grad started racing in the 60s, drawn to the sport by the power and the thrill of competition. "It's



Bill Dowhaniuk shared these two photos of his 1964 Chevy II in action with us. In the lower photo, his Chevy roars off the line, going from zero to 125 mph in 10.5 seconds, lifting the front end off the ground.



Photos courtesy of Bonnie Charvat

Bill Dowhaniuk of Plymouth Road was one of those kids who dreamed of racing his 1964 Chevy II at The Indianapolis Speedway. Now a middle-aged construction worker, he's finally achieving that dream. He is one of 32 drivers who have been invited to the U.S. Nationals in Indianapolis over Labor Day weekend. Sponsored by the National Hot Rod Association and broadcast on ESPN, the Nationals will draw more than 250,000 fans from the United States, Australia, England and Scandinavia.

Bill will be honored at the "Gathering of the Gassers", a tribute to drag racers and drivers of the 50s and 60s. His black lacquer Chevy is alcohol fuel-injected and has a 325 cubic inch engine. It's the only 1964 Chevy II still racing in America.

unpredictable, spontaneous. The excitement is the skill of the driver, the way he reacts to his car and the conditions. What's gonna happen? The driver has no clue, no script. I rev the engine to 9,000 rpms, pop the clutch and hang on," Bill said. "I bought the car in 1964 with the intention of winning Indy," Bill said. "I've set national records but I have never gotten there. Now, 42 years later, I'm invited as a star. I've gone through a couple of fortunes, but I never gave up on my dream."

The "Gathering of the Gassers" is a powerful draw for Baby Boomers who miss 1960s-type racing because since the early 1980s, drag racing has been dominated by corporations, sponsors and computer technology.

"The trend is towards nostalgia racing," Bill said. "We're trying to bring back stick-shift racing so we can enjoy the sport the way it was meant to be, authentic racecars with real racecar drivers. Stick-shift racing returns the control to the expertise of the driver. In today's racing world, the cars are just computer-driven machines."

Bill's son, Billy, and his daughter, Kristen, will join him at Indy. We suspect that his late wife, Doreen, who passed away in 2001, will be watching from the big grandstand in the sky.

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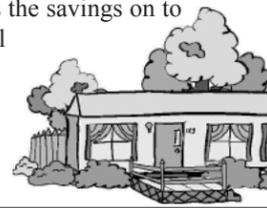
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Food Stamp Information & Sign Up
Brookside Center, in the lobby area. A representative from Project B.R.E.A.D. will be there to provide info & help eligible people sign up. Call Maria Rodriguez, 216-432-4770 for more info.

Friday, September 8th

Do you want to be a Girl Scout?
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Girls age 5-15, St. Leo the Great, 4900 Broadview Rd., 7 - 9 pm in the gym. Crafts, dancing, face painting, food, fun, games, music, prizes & more! Free admission. Make new friends, learn new things, travel to exciting places, go camping & attend fun events. Join Old Brooklyn Service Unit 620. Troop Registration, \$10; financial aid available.

Saturday, September 9th

Free Legal Advice
Corpus Christi School, 5204 Northcliff Ave., 10 am - noon. Volunteer lawyers program sponsored by The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. First come, first served. Brief advice & referral legal clinic. Civil matters (not criminal) only; bring important papers. Call 216-687-1900 with questions.

Volunteer by September 10th

Candlelight Christmas House Tours
Brooklyn Centre, Sun., Dec. 10. Volunteers needed for set-up & tear down, street cleaning, musicians & carolers, promotions, bakers & lighting contest & tour house participants. If interested send name, address, phone number & volunteer interest area to Candlelight Christmas House Tour, 2423 Payne Ave., Cleveland, 44114 or email christmasvictorian@hotmail.com or fax 216-361-8690.

Thursdays - Sundays, now thru September

Overnight camping at Rising Waters Safari Camp
Experience Cleveland Metroparks Zoo at night. 3900 Wildlife Way, 7 pm, African Savanna. Campers enjoy zoo all to themselves, sleeping accommodations, night-vision binoculars, GPS devices & snacks around a campfire. Call 216-661-6500 for more info.

Monday, September 11th

Cuyahoga Valley Genealogy Society
Independence Civic Center, White Oak Room, 6363 Selig Blvd., 7:30 pm. Alana Baranick, chief author of *Life on the Death Beat: A Handbook for Obituary Writers*, will discuss her work as an obituary writer & the research she conducts to learn more about her deceased subjects & the times in which they lived. Copies of autographed books will be for sale. Coffee & refreshments. For more info, call president Wally Huskonen, 440-526-1238.

Thursday, September 14th

Ohio State University Extension Cuyahoga County Master Gardeners Event
Behind Benjamin Franklin School, 1905 Spring Rd., 10:30 am. Vegetable garden demo -- tomatoes, peppers, cabbage. Taste the veggies & learn about the mulches used this past summer. Demonstration will take place regardless of the weather. Bring your own chair; none will be provided. The demonstration gardens are open to the public every Thursday through September, 10 am - noon. Master gardeners working in the demonstration gardens available to answer questions.

Saturday & Sunday, September 16th & 17th

25th Annual Village Peddler Festival
Lake Metroparks Farmpark, 8800 Chardon Rd., (Rt. 6) Kirtland, 10 am - 6 pm. Live music, 160 artisans & craftsmen, harvest market, wagon rides, candy shop & food. Adults (12-59), \$6; seniors (60+), \$5; children (2-11), \$4; under 2, free. Admission includes Lake Metroparks Farmpark activities & parking. For more info call 440-466-8414 or visit www.villagepeddlerfestival.com.

Sunday, September 17th

Free Community Festival
Grace Church, 2503 Broadview Rd. 12 - 4 pm. 3-story climbing wall, large inflatables, crafts, basketball, free lunch & more. For more info call Liz, 216-661-8210, ext. 221.

Saturday, September 23rd

7th Annual Classic Car Show
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 4423 Pearl Rd., 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Rain date - Sat., Sept. 30. Hosted by the parents of Boy Scout Troop 88 & Cub Scout Pack 45. Dash plaques for the first 100 entries. Concession stand, 50/50 raffle, door prizes, 50s & 60s music. Pre-registration fees - cars & trucks, \$8; day of show, \$10. For more info, call 216-398-1682.

Saturday & Sunday, September 23rd & 24th

Annual Shunpike Shoppe Sale
Brooklyn Historical Society's museum, 4442 Ridge Rd. Sat., 10 am - 4 pm; Sun., noon - 4 pm. Raffle of a hand-appliqued, handquilted "Wildflower" quilt (in shades of lilac). Tickets, \$1 each; 6 for \$5. Specialty breads, herb bread & vinegar jellies, homemade bakery, crafts, Christmas Shoppe, baby items, houseplants, white elephant items & more. Also quilting & rug loom demonstrations & museum tours. For more info, call Barbara Stepic, 216-941-0160.

Thursday, Friday & Saturday

October 26th - 28th
Household Hazardous Waste Collection
Ridge Rd. Station, 3727 Ridge Rd., 9 am - 2 pm. Residential waste only. Oil based paint (no latex), shellacs, wood stains, automotive products, adhesives, mercury, varnish, paint thinner & spray paint, pesticides, insecticides, & herbicides, motor oil, roof tar, sealers & primers, fluorescent bulbs, polyurethanes, household cleaners (oven & drain

can be taken to the collection site for recycling or safe disposal. Limited number of free digital thermometers Sat. only. Turn in a mercury thermometer sealed in a plastic bag or container & get a new digital thermometer donated by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District. For more info call, 216-664-3717.

Sunday, December 10

2006 Candlelight Christmas House Tour
Residents will open their doors to share the spirit of the holiday season, 1-6 pm. Pre-sale tickets available beginning Sat., Sept. 2, during Brooklyn Centre's Archwood Ave. street sale. Discounted, pre-sale tickets - \$12 for adults; \$8 for seniors & students. Day of the event ticket prices - adults \$15; seniors & students, \$10. For more info, call Julie Miragliotta at 216-287-8195.

St. Leo Preschool Registration

Registration for St. Leo Preschool began Feb. 2 at the preschool, located in the parish Community Center, 4940 Broadview Rd. \$50 nonrefundable fee & a copy of the child's birth certificate are required at time of registration. The preschool offers programs for skill development & kindergarten readiness for three & four year old children. Children who are four years old by Sept. 30 attend classes Mon., Wed. & Fri. Children who are three years old by Sept. 30 attend classes Tues. & Thur. Class times are 8:15-10:45 am or 11:55 am-2:25 pm. For more info call Jeanne Sabol, 216-661-5330.

Live's Museums Guide

Fall/Winter 2006 comprehensive listings calendar of shows & events. Supplement to Northern Ohio Live Magazine. Pick up a free copy at BBDC, 3344 Broadview Rd.

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Audition Notice - Ohio Boychoir

Auditions now being held for the Ohio Boychoir 2006-2007 concert choir & training choir. Membership open to boys aged 9 to voice change for the concert choir & boys aged 7 & 8 for the training choir. open to boys regardless of race, creed or economic status. No previous choral experience is necessary Contact music Director Jon Simsic, 216-556-2222 for more info. or visit www.ohioboychoir.org.

Scouting with Troop 151

Outdoor fun & adventure, camping, hiking, team work & much more! Troop meets every Sun., 6:30 - 8 pm, at Brooklyn Hts. UCC, 2001 W. Schaaf Rd. For more info call Tom, 440-884-8638 or Ray, 216-398-0113.

Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation
General membership meeting
Tuesday, October 10th
6 - 8 pm.
Cleveland Metroparks Zoo Auditorium
3900 Wildlife Way
For more info, call Judith Pindell
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@ 216-459-1000

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation board meeting, Tues., Sept. 12, and every second Tues. of the month, 6-7:30 pm. OBCDC meeting room (3344 Broadview Rd., upstairs). Meetings open to the public for review & comments, but the board reserves the right to close portions of the meetings from the public. Only board members have voting privileges.

Brooklyn Centre Community Association (formerly Archwood Denison Concerned Citizens) meeting, Thurs., Sept. 28, 7 pm, Archwood United Church of Christ, 2800 Archwood Ave. For more info call Julie, 216-287-8195.

Brooklyn Genealogy Club meeting, 2 pm, Sun., Sept. 18, Brooklyn branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 4480 Ridge Rd. Doris Snedecker, who teaches at the Institute of Learning and Retirement in Berea, will speak about "Writing Your Own Story". Refreshments will be served; prospective members are welcome.

Brooklyn Historical Society meeting, 7 pm, Wed., Sept. 27, at the museum, 4442 Ridge Rd. Lakeview Cemetery historian Katherine Kohl will give talk & slide presentation about industrialists, artists, sports people & other interesting folks among the Lakeview Cemetery's "permanent residents". For more info call Barb, 216-941-0160, or visit www.wowway.com.

The Historical Society of Old Brooklyn meeting, 7:30 pm, Fri., Sept. 8, Pearl Road United Methodist Church, 4200 Pearl Rd. (Use the rear entrance off the parking lot.) Bruce Marshall of Shaker Hts. will talk about one of his favorite subjects, Ohio's interstate system, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. Refreshments and a business meeting will follow his talk. Prospective members are welcome. Call president Louise Evans, 216-661-4103, for more information.

Second District Community Relations meeting, every second Tues. of the month, Tues., Sept. 12, 8 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

Southwest Citizens Area Council meeting, Thurs., Sept. 7, 7 pm (every first Thurs.), 3924 W. 21st Street (site of Cleveland Housing Network new construction house).

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Summer in the city from front page
new substation, which will help the old equipment work more efficiently. By the end of the year, private crews will begin stringing the feeder lines, and by next year, the transfer should be complete," Mr. O'Malley said.

Councilmen Brian Cummins and Kevin Kelly are initiating an action plan to insure that the project stays on schedule. "To fund the additional monies for the feeder lines, we are passing emergency legislation at the City Council meeting on September 11," Councilman Cummins said. "We will also ask CPP for details about their capital budget to replace the old equipment."

Cummins also mentioned that residents might not be aware of Cleveland's Reverse 911 system which allows the City to send recorded phone messages to residents to alert them about health and safety situations.

During the heat emergency, CPP sent Reverse 911 calls to its customers, asking them to conserve energy. Because the residents responded, there was a noticeable decrease in power usage.

Peace of mind for seniors

While most residents had the resources to stay safe and relatively comfortable during last month's power outage, some senior citizens faced health and safety emergencies. To prevent problems in the future and for everyday

peace of mind, seniors are encouraged to take advantage of the Cleveland Care Calls program. The automated telephone system calls seniors at a convenient day and time. If the senior does not respond, the system contacts a designated emergency person to check on the senior. If the emergency contact cannot be reached, a representative from the City of Cleveland's Department of Public Safety will visit the senior's home. Seniors can enroll in this program by requesting an application from the Department of Aging at 216-664-2833.

Plan now for colder weather

The warm days of September are a good time to plan for cold winter nights. The Home Energy Assistance Program, better known as HEAP, is a federally-funded program to help low-income residents meet the high cost of home heating. HEAP provides a one-time payment to eligible utility customers.

Applications for the 2006-2007 heating season are being accepted now through March 31, 2007. Total household income must be at or below 175 percent of the poverty guidelines. Income limits range from \$17,150 for a single-member household to \$58,800 for households with eight persons.

For additional information, call the toll-free HEAP number, 800-282-0880, between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Brooklyn Centre hosts multicultural & health festival



Photo by George Shuba

Neighborhood kids posed for a "Kodak Moment" at Brooklyn Centre's Multicultural & Health Festival on Friday, July 28th. Held at the corner of Archwood Ave. and Pearl Rd., it was sponsored by Brookside Center and the Brookside Cluster of Churches. Dancing, informational booths from health and social service agencies, food and activities for children and adults were all part of the event.

South Hills area celebrates 80-ish anniversary



Photos by George Shuba



A good time was had by "man" and "beast" alike at the mega-block party on Saturday, Aug. 26, on South Hills Dr. in the vicinity of the newly planted South Hills Circle. The ladies in the upper left photo -- (left to right) Carol Lade, who's lived here since 1925; Anastasia Ortiz, who's lived here 1 year; Pat Chagin, who's lived here since 1964; Irene Pavlyshyn, who's lived here since 1943; and Mollie Alstott (Irene's sister), who's lived here since 1943, represent a total of two hundred and thirty-one years of quality time in the South Hills neighborhood. The ladies in the lower left photo, Amanda Sheffler Bundy, and her daughter, Sarah, have lived on South Hills for less than two years. Amanda grew up just around the corner on W. 13th Street, lived there for the first couple of years of her marriage, and wanted to stay in the neighborhood. It appears that Schnoodle the dog had a good time, too. Socializing, games, a pot-luck supper and a raffle were part of the day.

County Fair from front page

the Fair will be on exhibit at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame when its new section opens in October.

Once again, Benjamin Franklin (i.e., the Benjamin Franklin Community Garden) gardeners gave a great accounting of themselves in the garden and produce competitions held on the Sunday and Thursday of Fair week. Collectively, Bill Wallace, Jeff Kostura, Ed Rompala, Kim Hageman and Teresa Clark brought home 79 ribbons and awards that included 6 Best of Show trophies, 38 blue ribbons (first place), 20 red ribbons (second place), 11 white ribbons (third place) and 4 green ribbons (honorable mention).

Bill Wallace of Forest Edge Drive, a veteran Benjie gardener and Fair entrant, entered his veggies in both the "Open" and the "Senior" class divisions. He won 5 "Best of Show" trophies in addition to 23 blue ribbons. The trophies were for best cabbage, largest tomato, longest zucchini (he took 2 of those awards in both competitions) as well as 18 additional awards. Bill is justifiably proud of the fact that he donates about 95% of the produce from his three Ben Franklin garden plots to food banks and kitchens like Senior Citizen Resources.

Jeff Kostura of Irving Avenue garnered the other "Best of Show" trophy for his watermelon. Jeff won 12 additional awards, including 7 blue ribbons -- for his watermelon, cucumbers, kohlrabi, onions, blue habanero peppers (he won on them twice), and a basket

containing a variety of vegetables.

Ed Rompala of Vandalia Avenue, who has also shown at the Fair for many years, was awarded four blue and four red ribbons. One blue was for onions, one for a hanging basket, and the other two were for woodworking projects. (A person who pays for an Exhibitor ticket can enter all the Fair's "Open Classes".)

Kim Hageman of Timothy Lane received a blue ribbon for her salsa and her ("Most Unusual") sweet hot pepper mustard dip, both prepared with produce she grew in her Benjie garden.

Teresa Clark of W. 34th St., a co-gardener with Rev. Neal Wilds, was favored with two blue ribbons -- for her icicle radishes and a comic caricature -- as well as ten additional awards. Teresa has participated in the Fair for the past several years. For many years, she, Rev. Wilds and the other co-gardeners have donated thousands of pounds of the vegetables they grow at Benjie to local food pantries and kitchens, most notably The Brookside Center.

Lynette Filips of W. Schaaf Road, entered roses from her yard in the two rose competitions, and won one blue, four red and three white ribbons. She also won dozens of awards for the many pieces she entered in the antiques section of the Fair.

Carol Stas, who also resides in the South Hills area, received dozen of ribbons for the antiques she entered in the Fair, too, and, for the third year in a row, one of Carol's entries -- this time, an antique clock -- received one of two "Best of Show" awards in the antiques category.

We suspect that other area residents have also brought home ribbons from the Fair, and if they let us know about them, we will be happy to share their successes in another article next month.

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The kids are back in school and the leaves have already started to flutter down from some of the trees. But who's ready for autumn... and what inevitably follows? Let the tomatoes keep ripening on the vines... and plant some cool-weather crops to prolong the growing season.

We actually have lots of growing news to report – so much in fact that the winnings local gardeners took at the Cuyahoga County Fair are a major part of a separate article which begins on page 1.

This column, though, will be the venue for reporting the school news. Perhaps the most major item is that *Old Brooklyn Montessori School*, which opened in August, 1998 and is currently located in the former Dawning School building on State Road, is no longer a Montessori school. Perceptive passersby may have noticed that a few months ago, the sign in front of the school changed to *Old Brooklyn Community School*.

While some students and parents are just happy that they still have the option of sending their children to a free, neighborhood charter school, others are mourning the loss of the unique style of learning which Montessori education provides. After taking a number of factors into consideration, the school's board decided to make the change.

Now moving on to news about specific students –

John Paul Makrai of W. 60th Street has just begun his freshman year at Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey. (Well, actually, he started taking courses there in July, just six weeks after graduating from St. Ignatius High School). John Paul, who'd been

a starter on the St. Ignatius football team, was actively recruited by several "Division One" colleges, and from them he chose Princeton, even though Ivy League schools don't offer academic or athletic scholarships. What Princeton does have, however, is a large endowment which enables them to significantly reduce, based upon a family's income, the \$46,000 fee for the 2006-2007 school year. Princeton's football team is called the Tigers and John Paul will be playing on the offensive line. At this point in time, he's thinking about majoring in business.

John Paul got his educational start in life fifteen years ago at *St. Mary Byzantine's* preschool. They obviously recognized his academic potential because they chose him as their "student of the year" when he graduated from eighth grade.

John Paul is better known at the Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation (BBDC) office than most high school grads because his grandfather, Tom Sargent, is the chief garden attendant at the Benjamin Franklin Community Garden and a sales associate for the *Old Brooklyn, City of Brooklyn & Brooklyn Centre Business Directory & Service Guide*. And John Paul himself has worked at both the community garden and the BBDC office.

John Paul is not the only 2006 Ignatius grad who's received money for college. **Joshua Kinzel** and **Jimmy Musser**, both of W. Schaaf Road, are also college-bound with a little help from scholarships and grants. Josh is now at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pennsylvania, working toward a degree in the Research Intelligence Analysis Program (RIAP). It's a very specialized four – year course of study which only a few colleges in the United States offer. Although Josh played rugby in high school, the renewable half-tuition scholarship he received from Mercyhurst is based on academics, not athletics.

Jimmy is now at Cleveland State University (CSU), but he hasn't yet decided his major. Being a state rather than a private school (and thus offering lower tuition in the first place), CSU doesn't give much in the way of scholarships. But Jimmy did receive a \$500

scholarship from the Cleveland Civil Service Employees' Association.

At St. Ignatius' senior awards assembly the week before graduation, Jimmy received the St. Benedict Joseph Labre Service Award for the Sunday nights he's spent visiting the homeless the past three years.

Josh and Jimmy were also both recognized at the awards assembly for their participation in St. Ignatius High School's St. Joseph of Arimathea Pallbearers' Society; they were among the students who serve as pall bearers for deceased people who have no one else to perform that role at their funerals.

Because Josh and Jimmy both worked at Broadview & Schaaf Marathon the last couple of years, they are familiar to many residents of the South Hills area of our neighborhood.

Two neighborhood girls are also notable high school grads. In addition to a host of other recognitions, **Jillian Halusker** of Alvin Avenue was the valedictorian of St. Joseph Academy's Class of 2006.

Jillian is now a freshman at Xavier University in Cincinnati, majoring in the Classics (Latin and Greek). Xavier awarded

her a generous combination of scholarships and grants.

Meredith Henstridge of Cypress Avenue is also a freshman at Xavier University, and she, too, is there with the help of a partial tuition academic scholarship. Meredith, who plays the piano, also received a performing arts grant for her participation in Xavier's band chamber ensemble.

Meredith graduated from Magnificat High School and received numerous recognitions at the school's senior awards assembly – a State of Ohio Award of Merit, a diploma with honors, a keyboarding award, a first place in pre-calculus, an advanced placement French achievement award, and a national orchestra award in music. Meredith is planning to major in physics.

Josh, Jimmy, Jillian and Meredith all graduated from *St. Leo Elementary School*.

Although we still have many items of both student and "grown-up" news waiting for us to report, we want to add your submissions to the pile. Send them to: Lynette Filips, The Town Crier, c/o The Old Brooklyn News, 3344 Broadview Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44109.

"Crime Watcher" Barb Spaan joins Brooklyn Brighton staff

The Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation is pleased to announce that effective July 1st, Barbara Spaan was hired as the agency's Neighborhood Safety Coordinator. Almost anyone in Ward 15 or Ward 16 who has been involved with Crime Watch or Neighborhood Safety programs is well aware of Barb's work in Old Brooklyn. She has been tireless in her efforts to make this community as safe and secure as possible. Her work with local block clubs is also legendary.

Barb has been an Old Brooklyn resident since 1980. When she moved into the neighborhood she was working as an employment counselor for the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services. In her off-time Barb became involved in the Cleveland Police Auxiliary and on evenings and weekends worked closely with Second District police officers.

As is often the case, Barb's volunteer work with the Auxiliary led to a career



Barb Spaan
BBDC Crime Watch Coordinator

change. In 1997 she became the Crime Watch Coordinator for both Old Brooklyn wards. In the coming months, Barb will be working with Brooklyn Brighton Community Organizer Judith Pindell to expand the depth and range of the agency's Neighborhood Safety Program.

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By Tom Collins
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Visual Merchandising

Here is the problem. You have looked at your own store windows for so long that you cannot think of a new, creative, eye-catching display that invites people inside. Who has time to be artistic when there is a business to manage? It's hard enough to find time to wash the windows, let alone decorate them.

This problem occurs to hundreds of retail businesses throughout the city. The result is that many window displays tend to look tired, and that does not send the desired visual message to potential customers. This has been a frequent topic among commercial managers in Cleveland's community development corporations.

Such discussions prompted Abe Bruckman of the Clark Metro Development Corporation to test a concept that has grown to become a pilot project named "Retail Design on a Dime: A Project for Artists, Designers and Local Merchants". The assumption is that if you can engage an artist who is limited to \$300 for materials, you can create a window or store display with "wow" factor.

Mr. Bruckman did a sample project to prove that the concept could work. In-store sales increased by 30% for the month after the new display appeared. After results like that, more discussion ensued, a committee prepared a demonstration project, and Cleveland

Neighborhood Development Coalition (CNDC) adopted the project. Funding was needed because independent of the materials, budget money was needed to commission artists.

Here is the outcome -- The Cleveland Neighborhood Development Coalition secured funding from the Ohio Arts Council and the City of Cleveland. Individual merchants in nine neighborhoods were recruited based upon merchants' self perceived recognition that their window displays needed "face lifts". The merchant donates \$50; the sponsor provides another \$250 per store, plus the artist fees.

A request for proposals was published and about twenty artists submitted portfolios. Nine artists were selected and a lottery-style drawing was used to connect artist and businesses.

By mid-September each of these stores will have window makeovers. When finished, the businesses will host a reception for other area businesses to show the results and explain the project. Sales will be monitored to measure the economic benefit of the improvements and to prove that a modest investment will yield more revenue than the cost of the project. Nine local artists will have

grown their own businesses, have added retail display to their portfolios, and have been enabled to market a new product. The project is being watched by at least two national interests who may be able to promote it on a wider basis.

Now, I could tell you in this column which store in Old Brooklyn is participating in this demonstration project. However, that will wait until next month when before and after pictures can be featured with the artist and the business owner. For now I will provide a hint. It is south of I-71, north of Brookpark Road on Pearl Road.

The ReStore Cleveland neighborhood commercial districts engaged the services of a safety consultant earlier this year. The consultant is a hands-on leader, former Cleveland District I Commander Charles McNeely who now operates McNeely & Son Security Consultants. Next month he will be concen-

trating on the downtown Old Brooklyn area.

He will make personal and individual calls on all the businesses in the target areas to learn their concerns, provide a security audit and help develop a commercial security plan that will be self managed by the participants. Old Brooklyn does not have a significant commercial safety problem. Keeping it that way cannot be left to chance. Raising safety awareness, talking to the business operators at their premises and crafting a safety action plan will all serve to enhance security and reduce the potential for criminals to become comfortable in Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn Centre. More on this next month.

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Graffiti – wipe out the writing on the wall

Graffiti is one piece of the “broken window” theory. We’ve read about this theory in past articles, especially those written by Housing Court Judge Raymond L. Pianka. The theory asserts that when one broken window — or in this case, graffiti damage — is left unattended, the problem will continue and may trigger more severe crimes throughout the neighborhood.

Graffiti is unsightly and deeply affects the quality of life for members of the community. It creates an impression that the neighborhood is not safe and that its residents do not care about the appearance of their neighborhood. Graffiti can lead to lower property values and cost the community hundreds of thousands or even millions of dollars in removal expenses.

“OBM”

Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn Centre are not immune to graffiti. An ugly discovery was made the morning of August 14th, 2006 along Broadview Road. Several businesses were “tagged” with the markings of OBM. Graffiti vandals “tag” (i.e. leave their symbol or nickname) on any surface they can reach.

A small group of kids use the name “Old Brooklyn Mafia” and leave their moniker “OBM” on fences, brick buildings and windows. If you have any information about either this group or other graffiti vandals call Barb Spaan, BBDC’s Crime Watch Coordinator, at 216-635-1601.

Spraying paint on another’s property is a misdemeanor of the first degree. If caught, the

offender could face six months in jail and a \$1000 fine. Penalties vary according to the severity of the damage, what is damaged and the content of the graffiti (racial, obscene, etc.)

Removal and Abatement

If your home, property or business becomes the target of graffiti, here are some tips on what to do.

Record – Take photographs of the damage and record the date, time and address of the vandalism.

Report – Call Barb Spaan, 216-635-1601, to report the vandalism. Barb works closely with the Cleveland Police, who can create a profile based on reports from the victims and follow the vandals’ activity.

Remove - Studies show that the best way to deter further graffiti activity is to remove the graffiti quickly.

Vandals will leave their “tag” on just about any surface - wood, brick, aluminum siding, metal, plastic, glass and masonry. Call your local hardware or paint store for information about products for removing graffiti from various surfaces. Products (such as barrier coatings that help in removing graffiti more easily) are also available to prevent graffiti damage. Professional help is a good idea for graffiti removal from historical or valuable surfaces.

To report graffiti on public surfaces, call the Graffiti Hotline (at the City of Cleveland Streets Department), 216-664-2510. The City will send a crew to remove or cover the unsightly graffiti.

Lilly Theiss wraps up successful internship at BBDC

by Jay Gardner

As anyone who has ever run an organization will tell you, intelligence, dedication, and talent are rare commodities, and finding them is the toughest task of all. Sometimes you’re lucky and they just show up at your door. In June, Lilly Theiss quite literally showed up at our door after a brief Internet exchange between her and this agency’s director.

Lilly came to the Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation (BBDC) looking for an internship that would give her editing experience working on the *Old Brooklyn News*. Her work on the July issue was nothing short of heroic, pulling late-nighters with the rest of the OBN staff, and sticking with it until the paper was ready to go to the printer. The next day she was hired on a full-time basis for the remainder of the summer.

In addition to her editorial work, Lilly also began working with the Brooklyn Brighton housing team on the comprehensive housing data base the agency is assembling for Wards 15 and 16. She immediately became a highly-valued team member.

Lilly’s first love, however, was the newspaper. Wrapping up her experience with BBDC she stated, “I really enjoyed working on the

newspaper. Editing is my passion and there’s just no substitute for doing it on a professional basis. The *Old Brooklyn News* gave me that chance. The list of things I learned is just too long to recite. My early schooling focused more on the literary aspects of English. The technical aspects of writing for a popular publication are a different order of business. Much of what I learned here will follow me into my professional career.”



Photo by Jay Gardner

Antique car collector Don Workman, owner of Ameriflag, Inc., gave BBDC intern Lilly Theiss a ride to and from her farewell picnic at the Bejman Franklin Community Garden in his 1937 Jaguar Replicar.

Lilly grew up in nearby Parma and is working toward a Bachelor’s Degree in English at Huntington University in Indiana. Now in her senior year, she returned to school at the end of August. BBDC hopes to have her back over Christmas vacation.

Foreclosures

by Raymond L. Pianka Judge, Cleveland Municipal Court Housing

As the Housing Court Judge, I preside over more than 11,000 civil and 4,000 criminal cases in a typical year; I see the impact of foreclosures every day.

The primary impact of foreclosures is on the property owner: the homeowner who loses employment, fails to make their mortgage payments and loses their property, moving in with family or becoming a tenant elsewhere. Or, an elderly person who fell prey to a predatory lender, then lost their home when they could not make the greatly increased house payments.

Increasingly, the victims of foreclosure are “willing victims”: those who sign off on all of the paperwork, and knowingly finance sums of money larger than they can afford. Frequently, these people intend to become real estate investors, hoping to “get rich quick.” Often, these investors are not residents of Cleveland. These willing victims often do not have the necessary knowledge about, or experience with, the banking industry and real estate market to appreciate the dangers they face if unable to make their monthly payments. Inevitably, when these owner-investors face foreclosure, the residents of the City of Cleveland are left in their wake, with another vacant, abandoned property in their midst.

I also am in a position to see the collateral damage foreclosures wreak upon our neighborhoods. Sometimes, property owners are told by the bank or other lenders to vacate the property at

the beginning of the foreclosure case, leaving the property empty and unattended. Frequently, neighbors are forced to live next door to vacant, boarded property with high grass, weeds, and stripped of its siding. City councilpersons are frustrated, and concerned about the abandoned property becoming a magnet for criminal activity, and producing a “domino effect” of poorly maintained housing on the rest of the neighborhood. Finally, discouraged community development groups stand ready to help with these properties but cannot, as they determine who, if anyone, has the authority to assist with the transfer of these properties to a responsible owner.

I have been the Housing Court Judge for over ten years. The negative impact of foreclosures on our neighborhoods never has been greater than it is today. Banks and other lenders have the right, and perhaps even the obligation, to initiate foreclosure actions when mortgages go unpaid. However, the current foreclosure system must be modified to encourage responsible property ownership, and to minimize the destructive effect of these actions upon our neighborhoods.

Congress is currently examining the impact of foreclosures on Northeast Ohio’s neighborhoods. To share your experience, contact the Committee on Financial Services at 202-225-7502. For information on how to combat the decay associated with foreclosures, please call the Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation at 216-459-8880 or a Housing Specialist at the Cleveland Housing Court at 216-664-4295.

New database to track vacant properties

You may have seen a stopped car with its flashers on as a young lady jumps out with a camera and takes a picture of a neighbor’s house. Your neighbor does not have a stalker; this young lady was sent to the property for the sole purpose of keeping track of vacant and abandoned properties.

The first step in identifying vacant properties started long before the cameraperson entered the scene. Someone noticed that there had been no activity at a particular property for days; the grass has grown to well over eight inches; the mailbox is stuffed to the brim with expired coupons or outdated newspapers. The grass is certainly not greener on the other side of this fence.

The Brooklyn Brighton Development Corporation’s housing team becomes aware of vacant properties through various sources — concerned citizens, block clubs, staff field observations, or referrals from the City Council offices. In addition, BBDC conducted a structure-by-structure survey to determine the status of a property.

After a house is identified as being vacant, a photograph of it is taken and the housing team springs into action in order to get the full scoop on the property and note any possible code violations. The housing team researches the responsible party’s name and contact information through multiple sources such as the Cuyahoga County Auditor’s website at <http://auditor.cuyahogacounty.us/>.

The final result of this investigation is a well-organized database detailing everything Brooklyn-Brighton’s C.S.I. (as in the TV show)-style team has been able to uncover about the property. The development corporation tracks details such as vacancy, board-ups, condemnations, whether the property is for sale (and if so, by whom), whether it is a new construction or has vacancy indicators (the high grass or full

mailbox). Even before the City of Cleveland mandated that this information be gathered, BBDC had begun gathering data to be able to report on vacancy trends and particular problem areas.

Brooklyn Brighton will use the database to quickly pull up information about the property, to monitor any activity at the site and to update on future developments such as sheriff’s sale, code compliance or transfer of the property’s ownership. The development corporation will then take the next step—whether it is contacting the property owner, making referrals to inspectors, asking for board-ups if the situation calls for it, or suggesting certain programs that the owner of the property may be eligible for—to keep the neighborhood thriving.

“Now that the research for the database has been done,” explained BBDC’s Jay Gardner, “we plan to use the data for other non-housing related issues. These include tracking seniors who may be in distress, mapping crime patterns and coordinating services with other agencies operating in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood.”

Although the BBDC staff is in the field daily; the housing team can’t be everywhere at once. That is where residents are needed to step up and take responsibility for the community in which they live. If something seems out of sorts at the house across the street, notify BBDC’s housing team — Lori Peterson, Donn Heckelmoser, Judith Pindell, Barb Spaan or Deb Zeleny at 216-459-1000.

To date, this organization has identified over 500 vacant and abandoned properties in Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn Centre. The vacant property database was completed after many hours of work by Lori Peterson, Donn Heckelmoser and several volunteers. It will be an invaluable tool for keeping a pulse on the neighborhood and helping to combat the national epidemic of vacant and abandoned properties.

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Reader response means more information to share about Hungarian churches

by Lynette Filips
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One's vision is often limited by one's experience, and perhaps that is most true in the areas of ethnicity and religion. We know what we've lived, and too often we are pitifully unaware of the universal reality.

And so, in compiling local history for the *Old Brooklyn News*, I always find it interesting when a topic I've written about receives a greater than anticipated response. Such was the case with our August article about Hungarian religious communities. Because of the number of people of Hungarian descent who responded, I now find it easy to believe that at one time *Cleveland really was the city with the second largest population of Hungarians in the world.*



First Hungarian Reformed Church, Buckeye Rd. & East Blvd.

Last month, for instance, we noted that the **First Hungarian Reformed Church** was the first, and at one time the largest, Hungarian Protestant congregation in the United States. We've since learned from Lenny Toth of Marcie Dr. that the **St. Elizabeth Church** we also wrote about was the first Hungarian Catholic Church established in America, and it had the largest Hungarian population of any Catholic congregation in the United States. The United States Department of the Interior has placed it on the National Register of Historic Places.

Anyone wanting to more seriously pursue the topic of Hungarian immigrants will be interested in a book which John Szakal of W. Schaaf Rd. loaned us. Entitled *Hungarian Americans and Their Communities of*

Cleveland, it was published in 1981 by Cleveland State University (CSU) as part of its Cleveland Ethnic Heritage Studies. The book covers all aspects of the Hungarian immigrant experience here, including over 20 pages of text and photos of Hungarian churches.

Additional firsts for the Cleveland Hungarian community are mentioned in the CSU book – The first **Hungarian Baptist Seminary** in the United States was on Holton Ave. in the early 1900s; the first **Hungarian Lutheran orphanage** in the United States was on Rawlings Ave. in 1913; and the first **Hungarian Greek Catholic elementary school** in the United States, **St. John's**, was on Buckeye Rd. at Ambler Ave. in 1954.

John Szakal also noted where, when they moved from the Buckeye neighborhood to the suburbs, the churches we mentioned in last month's article relocated. **St. Margaret of Hungary** moved to Lander Rd. in Orange Village; **First Hungarian Reformed Church** moved to Alexander Rd. in Walton Hills; and **St. John Byzantine** moved to Aurora Road in Solon.



St. John's Hungarian Greek Catholic Church, Buckeye Rd.



St. Margaret of Hungary Catholic Church, East 116th St.

Last month we also wrote about the **Hungarian Jewish Temple** which relocated to Beachwood; apparently at one time there had

also been three Hungarian Orthodox synagogues/temples, but they have since disbanded due to the fact that the majority of younger Jewish people prefer to be part of a Reformed congregation.

Perhaps this is a good time to insert some information about the branches of Judaism. According to the *Encyclopedia of Cleveland History*, Jews who immigrated here from Hungary, Poland, Galicia, Russia, Romania and Lithuania were more likely to be Orthodox (i.e., more traditional), while Jews from Germany were more likely to be Reformed. Conservative Judaism attempted to chart a middle course between the Orthodox and the Reformed branches.

Although there aren't any Jewish synagogues in the immediate vicinity, we are near to a few Jewish cemeteries – **Workmen's Circle Cemetery** on W. 54th Street at Theota Avenue in Parma; **Willet Street Cemetery** at 2254 Fulton Road in Cleveland; and two cemeteries on Ridge Road, **Chesed Shel Emeth** at 3740 Ridge Road; and **Ridge Rd. #2** at 3824 Ridge Road (both north of West Park Cemetery) in Cleveland.

CSU's book about Hungarians, incidentally, is just one of approximately 30 similar books which were published in the late 1970s and early 1980s. Although not every nationality which has settled in Cleveland has a book written about them, the bigger immigrant groups do have detailed coverage thanks to the project.

Another good book about the immigrants who settled here is *The Peoples of Cleveland*, compiled by the Works Projects Administration in 1942. Although its chapters are not as detailed as the books in the CSU series, it does cover more ethnic groups. The Western Reserve Historical Society reprinted it in 2001.

The Tremont neighborhood, by the way, has been the home of at least thirty different nationalities. Perhaps no where in the city are there as many churches, some within sight of others of the same denomination, but established by different ethnic groups. Over the years, some

of the church buildings have been sold to congregations from different denominations.

Our final point of interest this month concerns the names of some of the ethnic Catholic churches we've been discussing. If they weren't named for Jesus or His mother, they were probably named for saints who were especially venerated in "the old country". **St. Elizabeth**, for instance, was a Hungarian queen from the 1200s, and **St. Barbara** was the patron saint of miners, of which there are many in Poland. **Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius**, about whom we wrote in relation to Slovakia, brought Christianity to the Slavic nations in the 800s, just as **Saint Patrick** had brought the faith to the Irish in the 400s.

In this foreign land, immigrants often felt more comfortable in churches named after holy men and women from their former lands. In addition to the saints and the use of the native language wherever it was allowed, old-country customs and holidays also left a distinctive mark on Catholic churches which were "nationality" rather than "territorial" parishes.



Westside Hungarian Reformed Church, W. 32nd & Carroll Ave



West Side Hungarian Lutheran Church, W. 98th St. & Denison Ave.

With all these "catch-up" comments now behind us, next month we'll move on to the churches of an immigrant group we haven't yet discussed.

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by Susan Nieves
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Cleveland Metroparks Brecksville Reservation Meadows Picnic Area
440-526-1012

FallFest - Sun., Sept. 24, 11 am - 5 pm. Observe a variety of old-time crafts, sample old-fashioned cooking, join in pioneer games & see a civil war encampment.

Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Reservation Frostville Museum
440-734-6660

Cedar Valley Settlers Celebration - Sun., Sept. 17, 11 am - 5 pm. Relive Ohio's frontier days & participate in activities including candle dipping, spinning, chair caning, rope making, apple cider pressing, making a yarn doll, toe-tapping music & food sampling.

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo Wildlife Way,
216-661-6500

Teddy Bear Day - Sat., Sept. 30, 11:30 am - 3:30 pm. Kids with a teddy bear or any plush toy admitted free with a paying adult.

Cleveland Museum of Art
11150 East Blvd., 216-421-7340

Summer in the Courtyard outdoor concerts Wednesdays and Fridays, 5-9 pm; live jazz, blues, salsa and rock; free admission; cash bar; casual dining; until October 6.

Cleveland Public Library, Brooklyn
3706 Pearl Rd., 216-623-6920

Story Time - thru Fri., Sept. 29, 11 am - noon. Weekly readings & activities.
Celebrate Grandparents Day - Sun., Sept. 10, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Kids use the computer to make cards for their grandparents.
Learn with Dr. Seuss - Thurs., Sept. 14, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Learn the ABC's with Dr. Seuss.
Hispanic Heritage Book Display - Fri., Sept. 15, 22, & 29, 9:30 am - 6 pm. Check out materials about Hispanic heritage.
Puerto Rican Carnival Masks - Thurs., Sept. 21, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Learn about & make masks worn during Puerto Rican carnivals & parades. Kids take their masks home.

Cleveland Public Library, South Brooklyn
4303 Pearl Rd., 216-623-7067

Latin Music - Tues., Sept. 19, 6 - 7 pm. Learn about African origins of Latin American music.

Cuyahoga County Public Library
4480 Ridge Rd.,
216-398-4600

Magic Show With Mr. Andy - Sat., Sept. 16, 2 pm. Registration required.

Estabrook Recreation Center
4125 Fulton Road
216-664-4149

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Western Reserve Historical Society
Museum 10825 East Blvd., 216-721-5722

Three Museums - The History Museum, Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum, & Library. Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Hay-McKinney Mansion tours daily, noon - 5 pm. Admission, \$8.50 adults, \$7.50 seniors, \$5 students. Parking, \$5. For more info call or visit www.wrhs.org.

Hale Farm & Village - 2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath, 330-666-3711

Outdoor living history museum featuring life & crafts from the mid-1800s. Includes farm animals, pastures & historic houses with historical interpreters dressed in period costume. Hours: Wed. - Sat. 11 am - 5 pm; Sun.'s noon - 5 pm. Admission - \$14.50, adults; \$12.50, seniors; \$7.50, children ages 3-12; under 3, free.

THEATRE NOTES

Cassidy Theatre of Greenbrier Commons
6200 Pearl Rd., 440-842-4600

"Gigi"
Fri., Sept. 15th - Sun., Oct. 1st. Fri. & Sat., 8 pm; Sun. matinee, 3pm. Tickets - \$20, adults; \$15, seniors & students.

Cleveland Public Theatre
"Pandemonium 06"

CPT's Annual Fundraising Extravaganza
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Great Lakes Theater Festival
Ohio Theater, 1501 Euclid Ave.

Playhouse Square Center 216-241-6000
www.greatlakes theater.org
"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum", Fri., Sept. 15 - Sat., Oct. 21; and **"Love's Labour's Lost"**, Fri., Sept. 29 - Fri., Oct. 20. Presented in rotating repertory. Student tickets, any seat, any performance, \$13; regular single tickets, \$22 - \$56.

Kalliope Stage

2134 Lee Road, Cleve. Hts., 216-321-0870
"Wild Party"
Thurs., Sept. 7 - Sun., Oct. 15; Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat., 8pm; Sun., 2pm. For tickets call box office or visit kalliopestage.com.

Near West Theatre

St. Pat's Club Building 3606 Bridge Ave. 216-621-3242 www.nearwesttheatre.org
Auditions for "The Music Man", Tues., Sept 5, - Thurs., Sept 9. Times -- 7 to 12 year olds, 6-7 pm; 13 years and up, 7:30 - 10 pm.

As I see it...

by
Pastor Jerry



Question: Is "Christ" a name or a title?
"Jesus is the name given to the founder of Christianity at his birth, as is told in the Gospel of Matthew 1:21. This name was frequently used among Jewish people and is the same as the Old Testament name, "Joshua."

In contrast with the personal name of Jesus, "Christ" was originally a title. It's the same word in Greek as the word "Messiah" in Hebrew. Its significance goes back to ancient times when the Hebrew king was installed in his royal office by the ceremony of anointing. After their political nation was destroyed and they no longer had a king in Jerusalem, the Jewish people hoped God would raise up a new king to restore their national glory. To this coming "King and Deliverer" they naturally applied the title "the Anointed One" or "Messiah" or "the Christ."

Answer: "Jesus" was his personal name and "Christ" was the title given to him by his followers.

Jerry Madasz is the pastor of St. Luke's United Church of Christ 4216 Pearl Rd. (at the corner of Pearl & Memphis)



Photo by George Shuba

Members of Rhodes High School's class of 1956 celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their graduation on Saturday, August 19, at Carrie Cerino's Ristorante in North Royalton. Here (left - right) Elliot Goldstein, Jim Fabris, Roger Wicker and class vice president Lary Schade raise their coffee cups in tribute to the good old days.

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Open Square Dancing - Mon., 1 pm, The Schwab Center.

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Chair Exercise - Tues., 11:30 am, The Schwab Center; Thurs., 10:30 am, Estabrook.

Post Office on Wheels - First Thurs. of every month, 11 - 11:30 am, The Schwab Center.

Beginner Line Dance Classes - Tues., 1 pm, \$15 six week session. The Schwab Center.

Book Club - Call 216-749-5367 to register.

Estabrook on Tuesdays

8:30 am Bocce ball.

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12:45-1:45 Arthritic water exercise.

Picnic in the Park

Fri., Sept. 8, to Settler's Bluff, \$3.50.

Fun & Games

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Fruit Bingo - Mon., 11:30 am, The Schwab Center;

& Wed., 10:30 am, Deaconess-Krafft Center.

Racing Game - Fri., 10:45 am, Deaconess Zane.

Pinochle Playing - Tues. & Fri., 12:15 pm, Deaconess Zane.

Thursday, September 14th

Thistledown Race Track, 11 am, \$23.

Thursday, September 21st

Senior Citizen Resources, Inc. Open House, 10 am - 2 pm.

Thursday, October 12th

A Whale of a Sale Garage Sale, 9 am - 3 pm, Estabrook Recreation Center, 4125 Fulton Rd.

Wednesday, October 18th

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Thursday, November 2nd

Senior Citizen Resources 35th Anniversary Celebration at the Annual Kick-Off Dinner, Estabrook Recreation Center, 4125 Fulton Rd.

Saturday, November 4th

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CHURCH NOTES

Sunday, September 10th

St. Mary Byzantine Annual Parish Picnic
St. Mary's Crystal Chalet (corner of State Rd & Biddulph Ave.) 1 - 5 pm. Ethnic dinners - stuffed cabbage, pirohi, sausage with peppers & onions, hot dogs, roasted corn & bakery. Activities for children, raffle with cash prizes & chinese auction. All proceeds go toward the parking lot paving fund. For more info, call church office, 216-749-7979.

Sunday, September 17th

Cookin' for Christ Dinner

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd. 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Menu includes Italian pot roast, mashed potatoes, vegetables mornay, salads & dessert. Cost - \$7, adults, \$4, children under 10. Call the church office by Thurs., Sept. 14, 216-351-6499 for reservations.

Wednesday, September 20th

3 Tours in Freemont

Our Lady of Good Counsel, 4423 Pearl Rd. Leave 7 am; return 6:30 pm. Jaws with Paws, (training of police dogs). Lunch at Freemont Federation of Women; stained glass window tour of 3 parishes; Woodside Farms (fish farm). \$56. Call Julia SantaMaria, 216-351-9970.

Beginning Sunday, September 17th

Sunday School

St James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., 9:15 am - 10:15 am in the downstairs hall. Children from 3 yrs up to 8th graders can participate in these classes. For more info., call the church office 351-6499.

Wednesday, September 27th

Widows and Widowers Meeting

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., Gathering Room, noon. Menu - Chinese chicken, vegetables, salads & desserts. \$3 per person. Call 216-351-6499 for reservations.

Wednesday, September 27th

Monthly Soup Supper

Trinity United Church of Christ, 3525 West 25th St. 216-351-7667. Free. 6 pm. All welcome.

Friday & Saturday, October 6th & 7th

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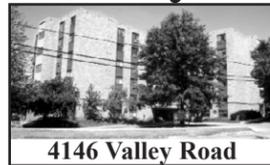
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4771 Broadview Rd. Phone: 216-351-6499
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